

105's Head For Silverstone



AROC display at the 2008 Silverstone Classic – Stuart Taylor

The Register will hold its annual gathering at the Silverstone Classic on Sunday 26th July 2009. Owners of Bertone coupes, Spiders, Giulia saloons and Berlina's will all be able to display their cars in our dedicated infield parking area. Although the event will run from Friday, the main day for the Register will be on the Sunday. A discount ticket offer will be available through the Register for all days, more details in due course.

Visitors to the Classic will experience eight decades of classic motor racing entertainment over the three days. Twenty-one races and fifteen qualifying sessions over the three-days featuring over six hundred cars many driven in their day by some of the worlds greatest drivers. New for the 2009 event will be a completely new race format for mid 90's Super Touring Cars, capturing the great days of BTCC. Organisers will be targeting at least 30 cars to take part and as many original drivers as possible competing for the annual David Leslie Memorial Trophy. A new world record will be attempted in association with Classic & Sports Car Magazine to get 1000 classic road cars on track at the same time. A £10 entry fee per car will raise £10,000 for a nominated charity.

I hope Register members will turn out to support this event and we can mount a collection of 105's to rival the impressive displays from the Porsche, Ferrari, Triumph and MG clubs.

News from EB Spares

The Westbury-based Alfa parts specialist company will soon be celebrating their 40th year of trading. Proprietor, Kevin Abigail, informs me he has recently completed a major update to the EB Spares website www.ebspares.co.uk. The site now offers an on-line comprehensive 105 parts list, a quote system allowing customers to get an all-in price with carriage and VAT (especially useful for those overseas) and a stock availability check as opposed to a normal Internet checkout.

EB Spares have a number of new items in stock and now available. These include steering idler box base seals, new reproduction and some original Carello 1st series Giulia Super / Junior Z / Montreal inner headlamps, outer lamps for Junior Z and LHD Montreal and a new batch of head removal tools.

Early Giulia Sprint GT's

Register member and long-time Sprint GT owner, Dave Rawling from Carlisle, has written to me asking how many examples of this model, earlier than his own November 1964 registered car (chassis number AR751984) are still in existence? The Giulia 105 Register database, started in 1982, records twenty-four cars. Unfortunately when cars are sold, transferred or worse still scrapped, the Register is often the last to know. If you

own one of these early Sprint GT's, please could you contact me and I will forward replies to Mr Rawling – thanks!



Dave Rawling with his Giulia Sprint GT – Dave Rawling

105's in the Press

Giulia 105's have been in great demand by the classic car publications over the last couple of months. The October issue of Classic Cars featured James Castle's Giulia Super saloon in a four-way comparison test of '60s 'real world racers' you could buy for £10-15k. The November issue of Classics carried an article on Alfa/Lancia Zagato coupes.



James Castle puts his Super through its paces – Lyndon McNeil

I was grateful to Alan Sheppard who volunteered his lovely French Blue 1300 GT Junior for the Brooklands photoshoot one early morning during the summer. Bristol & West Section Secretary, Martin King, came to my aid when Classic Cars requested (at very little notice) a red 1750 GT Veloce for a three-way comparison test and photoshoot which took place in a wet and windy North Wales.

You can read all about his experience on the Register website. This feature will appear in the February 2009 issue of the magazine.

Finally, Peter Timotheou, with it has to be said, some reluctance, came to the fore when Russ Smith of Classic & Sportscar approached the Register for a 2000 GT Veloce to compare against a BMW 2002 Tii. This article is due to appear in the January 2009 issue of the magazine. Peter has written an interesting report and this will be posted on the Register website and in due course will also appear in one of the club publications.

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