

TIME TRIALS

This year there are four separate activities at the track on Time Trials Day, June 21, 2012, which require pre-registration:

- Time Trials
- Touring/Parade Lapping
- Advanced Driver Training
- Lunch at the Track

TIME TRIALS

Long has it been known and recognized that there is a certain breed of Alfista who has no ability to ignore the call of competition — it must be heeded:

This is the law of the Track, and ever she makes it plain:

“Send not your foolish and feeble; send me your strong and your sane —

Strong for the red rage of battle; sane for I harry them sore;

Send me those girt for the combat, those who are grit to the core;

Swift as the panther in triumph, fierce as the bear in defeat,

Sired of a bulldog parent, steeled in the furnace heat.

Send me the best of your breeding, lend me your chosen ones;

Them will I take to my bosom, them will I call mine own.”

(Borrowed from Robert Service, and amended - with apologies)

And so it is that once the competition gauntlet is thrown down, they will, and must, put down all else they are doing, prepare and descend upon the appointed place. It is now proclaimed, far and wide, that the 2012 gauntlet has been thrown down:

Date: June 21, 2012
Event: Alfa Canadese Time Trials
Place: Toronto Motorsport Park (TMP), 1040 Kohler Rd, Cayuga, Ontario
Time: 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Attendees: Competitors, drivers, fellow Alfisti
Limit: 60 competitors

Note: If there is space available, there will be a non-Alfa class. Preference will be given first to Alfas and then to other interesting, period or Marque cars, in reaching our maximum number of competitors.

TMP is 1.86 miles (3 km) of driver-challenging, but amateur-friendly, track. Its 13 corners and flatter terrain make for a great place to hold time trials. It is an appropriate track for club events as the competitors are always within open viewing range.

THINGS TO BE AWARE OF

The following is a brief and general guide. Specific inquiries should be directed to the Alfa Canadese Time Trials Chair at TimeTrials@alfacanadese.ca.

- **Competition Code:** In order to provide consistency and predictability for competitors, we will be observing AROC's Competition Code wherever possible. For example, "Crash helmet meeting the current or two previous Snell Foundation Standards for automobile or motorcycle use is required." At present this means that a helmet with a Snell M or SA 2000, 2005 or 2010 rating and in fit condition shall be worn.

- **Noise limit:** There is a noise limit of 103 db at TMP. As this is at the upper end of most tracks' regular limits, this should not be a problem for Alfas.

- **Open Tops:** Time Trials Important Note: Consistent with previous years' Conventions, roll bars are required for Spiders running time trials. The minimum bar height must be higher than your helmet when you are normally seated. Arm restraints are not required, but they are recommended.

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For Touring/Parade Lappers and the Advanced Driver Training sessions, open tops will normally be permitted to run without roll bars. Arm restraints are not required.

- **Track opening:** TMP will open at 7:00 a.m. The mandatory Drivers Meeting for Time Trials competitors will be held at 8:30 a.m., and the first Time Trials cars will be on the track at 9:00 a.m. We expect to run the “traditional” two practice sessions, followed by the official timed competition runs. The last competing car should finish its last timed run well before 4:00 p.m. The Time Trials results will be posted at the Convention Hotel and not at the track.

- **Safety Inspection:** As usual at Alfa conventions, most of the Technical and Safety Inspections will be conducted before arriving at the Convention. The forms and requirements will be provided to all who register, and they will be consistent with previous years.

- **Fuel:** There is 91 octane fuel available in the nearby town of Cayuga (approximately five miles), and at a Shell station about nine miles from the track. Any other fuel requirements should be planned for by the individual competitors according to their needs.

- **Track car/rig parking:** We are really pleased to have arranged for TMP to provide no charge parking for the duration of the Convention for competitors’ cars and related tow/transport rigs. While the grounds are fenced, 24-hour security is not provided and the gates are not open and tended at all times, so each person wishing to consider taking advantage of this facility will need to determine if it suits their particular needs.

- **Accommodation:** Driving time from the Convention hotel to the track is normally about 1-1/2 hours. For participants wishing to stay closer to the TMP track, there is a listing of accommodations at <http://www.torontomotor-sportspark.com/raceway/accommodations.html>. For clarity, the motels listed under Jarvis, Ontario are likely the closest to the track.

TOURING / PARADE LAPPING

Touring/Parade Laps are being offered during the noon break from about 12:00 p.m. to about 1:00 p.m. Novices and keen drivers alike can have the opportunity to take to the track in a controlled environment that allows them to experience some of the same fun as the Time Trials competitors. If you are new to the track this event offers behind-the-wheel track time in your Alfa in a very safe and enjoyable setting.

We are limited to 24 drivers for this session.

ADVANCED DRIVER TRAINING

For keen drivers seeking a fuller day of driving fun and challenges in their Alfas, there will be a day of coached/instructed driving, including track lapping. While the Time Trials competitors are using the track, you will have a briefing, followed by opportunities to test your ability to maintain control while increasing G-forces to your limit! There will also be rapid/urgent lane-change, braking and collision-avoidance exercises.

Later, when the Time Trials event has ended, there will be coached lapping on the full track through to 6:00 p.m., or when satisfied exhaustion dictates, “enough!”

We will be able to accommodate 30 drivers for this session.



LUNCH AT THE TRACK

During the week, the concession booths at TMP are not open. The closest facilities for lunch are about five miles away, in the nearby town of Cayuga.

However, all is not lost. To ensure our drivers of a superb and plentiful repast for energy replenishment purposes, and general chow-down joy, we have arranged for a luncheon to be provided by a very driver-needs-sensitive foodie at a very attractive price!

In order to take advantage of the luncheon, it needs to be pre-ordered via the Registration process, as cash sales will not be available on site at TMP on June 21, the Time Trials day.

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