

1965 COOPER T75 ALFA ROMEO, F2-2-65, 1-LITRE F2



History ... For sale on behalf of the family of the late Jim McConville ... the first production T75 built by Coopers in February 1965. Sold new to Stirling Moss' mechanic Alf Francis with its sister F2-3-65 (now in a Japanese collection). BMC XSP-engined, **Jackie Stewart** set a new lap record at Silverstone. Alf Francis then fitted a unique Alfa Romeo 998cc twin cam (either a stretched 600cc or shrunk 1300cc, to be decided) supplied direct by Alfa Romeo and running on twin 45 Webers and a five-speed Colotti-Francis gearbox.

Both sisters were sold by Francis to Greek shipping magnate Aristotle Onassis who planned to use them as academy cars for aspiring F1 drivers. Instructor and sometime race driver was **Jo Siffert**. Onassis withdrew when one of his proteges was killed in F2-2-65.

The car was sold to the US where it raced in Formula C fitted with a 998cc Cosworth. It was restored in the early 80s and sold as a roller to Jim McConville who imported the car to Australia in 1990 where it was fitted with a race-spec Alfa Romeo 1300cc twin cam while retaining the Colotti-Francis gearbox. It raced very successfully in Australian historic racing for 30 years until Jim's passing in 2019. It was also raced by Jim's son Robert, both with considerable success.

In 2012, the car was re-united with its original Alfa Romeo 998cc twin cam engine which was reconditioned in 2018. It has yet to be installed in the car.



Now ... Current condition of the car is best described as "as last raced". The 1300cc Alfa Romeo twin cam and Colotti-Francis five speed have been removed from the car. General condition of the car is good, albeit it will need some refurbishment and recommissioning. Chassis tubes appear very sound and, importantly, the top radiator rail to the engine shows the tube is in very good shape with minimal surface crusting. The original Cooper magnesium wheels are in good shape. Included with the



car are ... two engines, Alfa Romeo 1300cc twin cam and (exceptionally rare) Alfa Romeo 998cc twin cam; two body tops; a cylinder head; various spare parts for the engine.

Pricing ... asking AUD55000.00 (approximately GBP28600.00 at AUD1.00 = GBP.52), terms ex door Geelong. Shipping by dedicated 20' container from port Melbourne to, eg, port Felixstowe / Tilbury / Southampton would be approximately AUD13000.00 (GBP6760.00). UK local charges, taxes and VAT would be to the purchaser / importer's account. Vendor is happy to arrange everything for export including documents, invoices, export clearance, delivery and loading at port. 10.0% deposit on acceptance, balance on provision of shipping documents.

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Original 998cc cam cover with Alfa plate denoting build, block underneath.

