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“Welcome” New Members

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Eric & Terri Kirtley
Darrel & Cecilia Ray

From The Top

‘CRUZNN DOWN THE ROAD’

November is a busy month for our club. We’ve got our annual nominations of Club officers which ends November 1st, our fall trips and our Club meeting to mention a few. And, as always, our restaurant stops to enjoy the company of our Club members and the good food. Add some Miata driving to this and you’ve got a perfect day that we all look forward to as often as possible.

We had a great turn out at the October meeting and were able to collect nomination forms for club officers and several reservations for the Club Christmas party. Remember the deadline to send your reservation money to Terry at our Club mailbox is November 15th. The Christmas party will be a little different this year. We’re still going to have plenty of good food at the County Line with all our friends, Dirty Santa if you want to participate is \$20 per car, and the attire is casual but you can dress up as much as you like. The difference is we are all going to be the entertainment this year. At the October Club meeting, I suggested that we have sort of an ‘open mike’ story telling time so that everybody could enjoy all of the exciting and unusual stories. Anyone that wants to, can tell us your favorite story about your Miata or a trip you took or anything that you would enjoy sharing with us. Everyone at the meeting thought this would be a great way to enjoy and share our experiences. You don’t have to tell a story if you don’t want to, but be thinking of a short story to share if you would like to take control of the ‘open mike’. Also, our members Jack and Phyllis Poe have graciously offered to share their talents of music with our club at the Christmas party.

Welcome to all our new members, we have had several new members join our Club. I look forward to seeing all of you new and long term members so come drive with us as often as you can.

See you on the road. Steve Moore.

TAKE CARE OF YOUR CARS – this is a good time of the year to wax them. The weather is cool so you won’t have to work in a hot garage to make them shine. I waxed mine last week.

‘WILL DRIVE FOR FOOD’

Regular Monthly Meeting Schedule

All Meetings are at 6:00PM, unless otherwise indicated.

November Meeting – Sunday, November 22nd. Carino's Italian, 2905 W Memorial Rd (West of Quail Springs Mall on the North side of Kirkpatrick toll road), 752-0087.

December Meeting – Saturday, December 5th. **Club Christmas Party**, County Line Barbeque, 1226 NE 63rd St., OKC. Enjoy great food, cash bar, great friends, and if you wish to play Dirty Santa bring one gift (\$20 limit) per car.

SD&D* and Road Trip Schedule

***Short Drive and Dinner.** Short, fun drives in the Oklahoma City metro area that ends at a surprise restaurant. SD&Ds begins at 2:00PM and ends around 4:00-5:00PM, unless otherwise indicated.

November SD&D – Fall Foliage Drive, November 1st, leave at 8:00AM from Firelake Grand Casino.

December SD&D – No SD&D.

November Monthly Meeting

The November Monthly Meeting will be held on Sunday the 22nd, at Carino's Italian, 2905 W Memorial Rd (West of Quail Springs Mall on the North side of Kirkpatrick toll road), 752-0087. at 6:00PM.

Future Events

April 29th - May 2, 2010. **Miatas Doin' The Charleston II.** Registration will be open September 1, 2009. Registration before December 31, 2009 will cost \$140 per person. The hotel at the Embassy Suites at North Charleston Convention Center will cost \$159 per night which includes a cooked-to-order breakfast each day, secured parking, and other benefits. They limit registrations to the first 150 cars and were "sold out in less than 20 days" for their first event. Call Bunny McElwee at (843) 761-4567 or check for info at <http://www.miatasdothecharleston.com>.

May 14th - 16th, 2010. **Moab in Utah IV "Unplugged"**. The event itself is free. Host hotel is Best Western Canyonlands Inn. Phone (434) 259-2300, ask for Lauri Smith or Terri Buyers and mention "Miatas in Moab IV". Group rate is \$129 a night and hotel fills up fast. They won't charge your credit card until you arrive and there is a 24 hour cancellation policy. See details at <http://utahmiataclub.com/node/11>. Best Western Canyonlands Inn is taking reservations with group rate of \$119.95 per night (435) 259-2300. Leaders: Howard High/Le Yeatts. (Also, Peak to Peak is planning another Mountain Gold event for September 25, 2011, probably in Breckenridge, Colorado. So plan for spring and fall trips!).

June 24-27, 2010. **Miata Mountain Mania 2010.** The West Penn Miata Club is hosting it's second regional event. It is to be held June 24 through 27, 2010 at the Seven Springs Mountain Resort in the Laurel Highlands of Pennsylvania. Registration is now open. Get more info at <http://www.westpennmiataclub.com/mania10.html>.

October 14 - 17, 2010. **Surf 'N' Safari** Join the San Diego Miata Club for all sorts of drives and activities. Believe this will be their third event. A murder mystery drive was included last time. Info to be out soon at <http://surfinsafari.net>.

Club Christmas Party

By Steve Moore

This is a menu for our Christmas dinner at County Line. Our party will be in the 'Large Annex House' outside the restaurant. As you can see we will have three meats, potato salad, coleslaw, beans, home-made bread, non-alcoholic beverages and dessert. Sales tax and gratuity will be paid by the club. The cost per person is \$20. The club will pay the balance for the meal. You can make your check out to 'Central Oklahoma Miata Club'. You can pay this at our next club meeting on October 17th. The deadline to make your reservation is November 15th. You can also mail your checks to our club mail box which is:

Central Oklahoma Miata Club
PO Box 12191
Oklahoma City, OK 73157-2191

Please write "RESERVATIONS" on the front of your envelope, it will help Terry sort these easier when he goes to the mail box. Remember, if you mail in your reservation checks, they must be to Terry by November 15th. We have a deadline to give County Line a final count of how many members will be attending.



1226 N.E. 63rd
Oklahoma City, Ok 73111
405-478-4955

Prices are "per person" and include: meal, beverage (soda, tea, or coffee), sales tax, and gratuity. Food is served family style.

Country Style - All you can eat; Chicken, smoked sausage, sliced brisket. Served with potato salad, coleslaw, beans, and homemade bread.

Dessert: Pecan Brownie ala mode.

Bar Service: Domestic and premium beer, wine, and mixed drinks will all be included in the bar service. Each person will pay for their alcoholic beverages. This is not included with the meal cost, but is made available to use if you wish. Prices are as follows. Not inclusive of tax and gratuity:

Domestic Beer	\$2.75
Premium Beer	\$4.25
Mixed Drinks	\$4.75 and up

Club Advice Helps a Friend

By Susan Schmidt

The timing of seemingly unrelated events can produce amazing coincidences. For example as I write this article we are camped in a previously unheard of state park near Newport, Oregon. It is called Beverly Beach State Park and we are here because the sites are large enough to fit our motorhome. Bill and I bought bags of backlogged magazines to read on this 3-month vacation. As I am reading "Romanic Vacations; The 10 most romance-inspiring RV parks in the U.S." from the June 2007 issue of Motorhome magazine, I see Beverly Beach State Park is listed as number five. Only 10 are listed across the nation and we are sitting in one of them!

The coincidence is similar to what happened a few weeks prior. We finally got a wifi connection so I went through our email. The September Miata newsletter was posted. Of course I read it immediately. There was Steve Moore's hint to solve water in your rocker panels... THERE'S WATER SLOSHING AROUND - I CAN'T FIND WHERE IT'S COMING FROM! Within 10 minutes of reading about the problem I previously never heard of AND Steve's solution to drain the clogged holes, I opened an email that had just posted from Bill's best Air Force buddy, Jack, who lives in North Carolina.

Jack wrote, "The help I need is on the Miata. Do you know of any schematics that show the details of the Miata. Water is gathering somewhere in the driver's side door or frame and does not drain out and lets water into the floorboard and carpet. This is causing a mildew problem in the interior. We had the top replaced several years ago, but the leaking only started within the last year. Is there a drain within the frame that could be stopped up? Bill, I figured you had taken Susan's Miata apart to the point that you would know about any potential trouble spots within this issue."

All I had to do was refer Jack to Steve's article in our club newsletter. Coincidence and perfect timing. Thanks Steve!

Catfish Platter Road Trip

By Steve Moore

You missed a great day on the road with us if you didn't get to make this trip. The weather was great considering what we've had lately. Sunny skies, the leaves on trees were turning and so were we, on every curve we could find. We took the back roads through the country side, across big old bridges, stopped and visited an old train station, drove through the winding roads and hills of Falls Creek. We even drove extra slow down the 'Zebra Road' (some of you know this road). We didn't see any zebras but we did manage to keep the dust off our cars. After another hour of driving, and driving is what we're all about, we made a quick loop into Texas and arrived at our dinner destination right on time at 4 o'clock. Everyone enjoyed the food and the friendship. Our drive back to OKC ended with our favorite tradition, a stop at Braum's.

We'll be going again someday so be ready and come drive with us if you can.

Bob Moore Mazda Cookout

By Dave Miller

Saturday morning, October 10th, the sun was shining for the first time all week. Bob Moore Mazda had invited the club to their dealership for lunch... burgers from the grill. They had become concerned about the weather earlier in the week, so the cookout became an Italian feast instead. We dined on homemade spaghetti, pizza, salad & bread, bread sticks with marinara sauce and homemade cake & cookies for dessert. I think we had about 18-20 people attend and all enjoyed the Bob Moore hospitality. I don't know if any cars were sold, but there was a lot of tire kickin' going on in the car lot. I forgot my camera so I don't have any pictures to share, but it was a good time for all.

Club Pins



With all the Miata events just around the corner, I know a lot of members will need to get a couple of extra club pins to take to the events for trading with Miata club members from other states. Pins are available for \$3.50. Contact Terry Willey 947-5003.

Magnetic Signs with Club Logo



Magnetic Club signs are nice to display on your car when driving in a parade or other Miata events. Because the signs are custom made to closely match the color of your car, they have to be special ordered. It is more economical to order them in quantity. Several members have already signed up to have their signs made. Cost of the signs is \$20 for a set of 2.

For Sale

2005 Lexus SC430, \$35,900, White with Black Leather Interior, 30.6K Miles.



Purchased new June 2006, still under factory warranty thru June, 2010. One owner, garage kept, all service at Eskridge Lexus, will furnish all service records, fresh professional wax August 2009, non-smoker, accident free, DVD navigation, blue tooth, hard top convertible, fully loaded w/all options, will provide original window sticker, only driven in good weather, tires replaced, Mark Levinson 9-speaker 240 watt premium sound w/sound levelizer and 6-disc in dash changer, Homelink universal transceiver, theft deterrent system w/engine immobilizer, high intensity discharge (HID) headlamps w/fog lamps, daytime running lamps, wood steering wheel and wood interior trim. Gorgeous White Gold Crystal exterior paint w/ black leather interior. ABSOLUTELY IMMACULATE!

Please call Linda Hall with any questions at 613-5656.

For Sale



2002 Miata Special Edition, Titanium Gray Metallic, 6 Speed. Probably one of the lowest mileage (16,000), limited production, and showroom condition Miatas anywhere! The car is originally a Texas car. I flew down to Dallas in 2004 and drove the car to Ohio where it has been in a heated garage, under a custom California Car cover. Only 1491 of the Special Editions were produced. It has all the "standard" features of the Miata but the 6 speed manual transmission, limited slip, saddle brown leather, 16" Bridgestone Turanza tires, side sills, front air dam, chrome fuel filler cap, rear spoiler, Bose 6 disc CD, speed sensing audio control, and Nardi 3 spoke wheel make the car unique. No snow: No rain: No track: No racing: No dings: No dents: No scratches!!!!

I am a (many years) retired senior and a couple years ago my son (actually a technical advisor/contributor for one of the largest Miata organizations in the country) decided to install a supercharger on the car with premium parts such as, appropriate intercooler, injectors, stainless steel dual cat back Fly'n Miata exhaust, heavier clutch etc. **We got most of the work done** such as the exhaust, supercharger, intercooler, injectors etc. About two years ago my son moved to another city, married, and now has a little girl. I am not a technical wizard like my son so rather than leave the car sit when/until we both **get time to finish**, we have elected to sell it. **Most of the mechanical hard stuff has been completed and we estimate 5-7 hours remain with various parts and a clutch.** The pictures speak for themselves. We have over \$21,000 invested in the car and parts and would be willing to sell it at barely 1/2 of that!!!! **YOU WILL NOT BE DISAPPOINTED WITH THIS CAR. THERE ARE NO SURPRISES. THE CAR IS IMMACULATE.** I am a perfectionist when it comes to my cars.

I have over 60 pictures that were just taken a few days ago (10/27/09) and would be happy to forward them to you for serious buyers. Les at loggy@mindspring.com.

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The Club has made arrangements with **Scott** at **Stitch N Print** to do a set-up of the club logo. They will embroider this on articles you bring in. They also have items in their store for purchase or from catalogs to order from. You can specify the color of the car to put in the logo.

The standard logo is approximately 3 inches and will cost around \$12.00. If you wish something larger they can accommodate you. The cost is based on the number of stitches used.



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