



ARKANSAS MIATA CLUB

SPECIAL DATES OF INTEREST:

- March 23rd
Toad Suck Bucks
Drive and Dinner
- April 20th
RoundTop TSD
Rallye
- May 18th
Overnight Trip
(Destination
TBD)
- June 1st Take
Me Out To The
Ballgame
- JulyTBD
- August
Shortest Drive /
The Joint in Ar-
genta
- September
TBD
- October
Overnight Trip
(Desination TBD)
- November 9th
..... Leaf Peek /
JoJo's Catfish
Wharf
- December 7th—
Holiday Party

If you have any sug-
gestions, please let
one of the Board
members know !

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***TOAD SUCK BUCK'S DRIVE AND DINNER
SATURDAY, MARCH 23rd
1:00pm
PARKING LOT
MARYLAND AVE and JFK BLVD
(HWY107)
SHERWOOD***



The March event is a return event this year, with an afternoon drive ending with an early dinner at Toad Suck Bucks, 11 Roaring River Loop, Houston, AR 72070.

We will meet at 12:30 pm at the corner of Maryland Ave and JFK Blvd (Hwy 107) in Sherwood. The drive will begin at 1:00.

Dinner will be at 4:30 pm and directions

for those who wish to skip the drive and meet at the restaurant will be on Facebook and the website. Come hungry for great food and conversation after the drive.

Dinner prices will be in the range of \$10—35

ROUNDTOP TSD ROAD RALLYE
SATURDAY, APRIL 20th
12:30pm
ACADEMY SPORTS PARKING
LOT
WARDEN ROAD AND WILD-
WOOD AVE.
SHERWOOD



A TSD Rallye is very different from our usual concept of motor sports. Each competing team, consisting of a driver and a navigator, is given a set of written instructions which are used to follow a pre-determined course. Each team drives the course independently, usually at one minute intervals, following the written instructions, or route instructions, exactly. as well as maintain a given average speed, which will always be legal. You will earn a score based on how close you come to arriving perfectly “on time”.

We return again this year to RoundTop, and the North Little Rock area for an afternoon. Meet us in the Academy Sports parking lot in Sherwood at the Wildwood exit off 67/167 at 12:30pm, with a drivers' meeting at 12:33pm and first car off at 1:00pm. This is a simple, no trap, course-following TSD rallye. We will also be playing trip poker, so bring \$5 if you want to participate. Hope to see you all there!

The Rallye should last between 2 and 2.5 hours.

Bring a pencil and paper, and your patience !!

DUES ARE DUE FOR 2024 !!

It's that time again that our annual dues are due for the coming year Our dues for 2024 will remain at \$ 24. At the November Board Meeting, a full calendar of events was scheduled for 2024; and payment of dues will help us plan and execute these events.

Also, we're discussing that we have tShirts made again for some of the events.

We will be having member name badges made for all paying members, and plan to have them available for events starting in April.

So membership will get you a club pin, the club window sticker, eMail distribution of the newsletter, and a nice name badge so we'll know who everyone is !!

We are no longer able to offer PayPal payments, so dues will have to be paid directly at one of our events, or sent by check to the address on the back page until we find a suitable replacement method and have it installed. The membership form is still available on the website.



Received this week from the NWA Miata Club !

THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS MIATA CLUB CELEBRATES 25 YEARS!

THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS MIATA CLUB WILL CELEBRATE OUR 25th ANNIVERSARY THIS SEPTEMBER 12-15,2024 IN EUREKA SPRINGS, AR.

WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE ALL OUR MIATA FRIENDS TO JOIN IN WITH US IN THIS CELEBRATION OF MIATA FUN, SO SAVE THE DATES AND COME TO BEAUTIFUL EUREKA SPRINGS AND HELP US CELEBRATE!

WATCH FOR COMING UPDATES ON REGISTRATION AND LODGING

HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL IN EUREKA SPRINGS!

Ronny Johnston

President

Northwest Arkansas Miata Club

See the Details later in this newsletter on the Yearly Arkansas Traveler Challenge for 2024 !



Let's give a welcome to some of our new members !!

David Adcock from Conway

John Tindell from Conway (John's not new to us, having traveled with us previously, but he's now official !)

Bonnie and Steve Adcock from Conway

Sonia de la Garza from Hot Springs Village

Melissa and Jay (Speedy) Hoskins from Hot Springs Village (mSales Parts and Service)

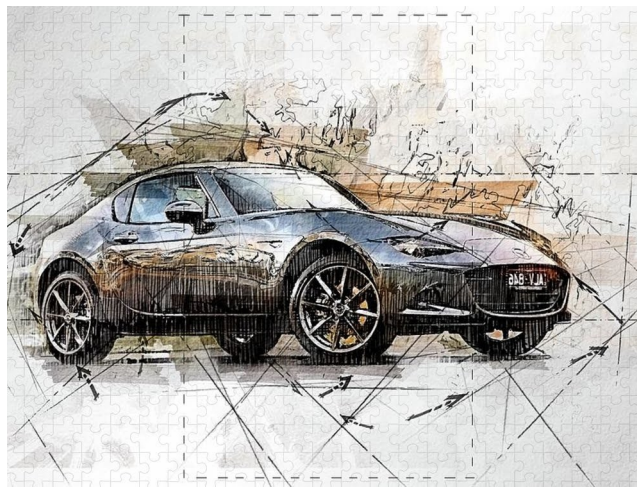
Linda and Bill Van Cleve from Maumelle (returning members that have re-enlisted)

Dana and Tod Martin from Searcy (first joined us for the Holiday Party)

From Peter Egan in Road & Track Magazine

Miatas are entirely devoid of status, in the sense that say, Ferraris have status. There is no one in America with a “normal” job who cannot afford a Miata of some kind, new or used. There’s no one-upmanship here, no snootiness, no exclusivity—except that which excludes people who take themselves too seriously. The common bond is the freedom that comes from having a fun car that doesn’t break all the time, or break the owner.

The Miata is one of those rare material possessions whose ownership, strangely to say is the very nullification of materialism. It costs a little something, yes, but that’s not the point. The point is putting the top down, driving around in a real sports car and having a good time. And if no one notices, who cares ? You’re the one who’s having all the fun !



From the Lone Star Miata Club in Texas

2024 Texas Challenge BARBECUE JOINTS ACROSS TEXAS

Drive to each of the designated spots in Texas. Take a picture of you, your Miata and the specific BBQ Joint. If both driver and co-pilot are participating, both can appear in the same picture. Group pictures are allowed.

Participants must drive to each location 1 through 10.

Complete all 10 BBQ Joints and you will receive a specially designed pin. T-shirts will be available for purchase. Please check the BBQ Joint web site for days and hours of operation – some are closed on Sundays! !!

It is not necessary to eat at each location to claim the spot, but might wanna !! Pictures can be submitted by TEXT, EMAIL or POSTED to the Lone Star Miata Club Facebook page. TEXT or EMAIL entries to Gerry Sauls by Oct 31, 2024. Gerry Sauls 5421 Rocky Mountain Road Fort Worth, TX 76137 ge-sauls@gmail.com 817-680-8922

<http://internetcarclubs.com/clubs/LoneStarMiataClub.aspx>

MARK YOUR CALENDARS !!

“Take Me Out To The Ballgame”

Saturday, June 1st

5:45pm

West Side of Dickey-Stephens Park

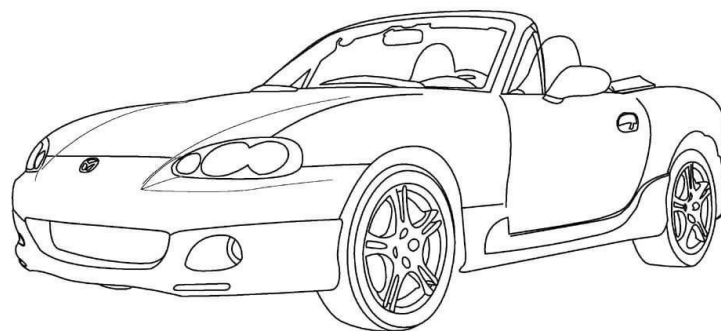


Come cheer on our *Arkansas Travelers* as they compete against the *Amarillo Sod Poodles*



JR Mills will buy the tickets for everyone, but in order to do that, we *MUST* have *RSVPs*

We will post at the beginning of April an event on the FaceBook page a commit *WILL ATTEND* can order you a ticket, or contact JR @ (501) 416-7787 or miata2003@yahoo.com



ARKANSAS TRAVELER PHOTO CHALLENGE 2024



WELCOME TO THE 2024 ARKANSAS TRAVELER PHOTO CHALLENGE!

THE IDEA BEHIND THIS CONTEST IS TO HAVE A REASON TO GET OUT IN OUR MIATAS AND TRAVEL OUR BEAUTIFUL STATE AND SEE SOME THINGS WE MIGHT NORMALLY MISS IN OUR DAILY TRAVELS. EACH YEAR WE WILL PICK A THEME FOR THE PHOTO CHALLENGE, THIS YEAR IT WILL BE **DAIRY BARS/DRIVE INNS** IN DIFFERENT AREAS OF THE STATE. HOPEFULLY YOU WILL SEE DIFFERENT AREAS OF THE STATE THAT YOU MIGHT NOT NORMALLY TRAVEL TO AND BE ABLE SEE HOW DIVERSE ARKANSAS REALLY IS. FOLLOWING ARE THE RULES OF THE CONTEST, IT'S PRETTY SIMPLE, TAKE A PICTURE OF YOU AND YOUR MIATA IN FRONT OF THE CHALLENGE SPOTS THEN SEND THEM IN.

THE PRIZES FOR COMPLETING THE CHALLENGE WILL BE AN ARKANSAS TRAVELER CERTIFICATE AND THE JOY OF BEING OUT ON THE ROAD SEEING NEW THINGS. WE WILL BE WORKING ON A T-SHIRT THAT ONLY THOSE WHO COMPLETE THE CHALLENGE CAN PURCHASE. WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT OUR CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

SO LETS HIT THE ROAD AND BECOME AN "ARKANSAS TRAVELER"

PARTICIPANTS WILL DRIVE TO EACH DESIGNATED ARKANSAS TRAVELER PHOTO CHALLENGE LOCATION, 1-10, IN ANY ORDER AND TAKE PHOTOS.

TAKE A PHOTO OF YOU, YOUR MIATA AND DESIGNATED DAIRY BAR/DRIVE INN IN SAME PHOTO, IF BOTH DRIVER AND CO PILOT ARE PARTICIPATING BOTH CAN BE IN SAME PHOTO OR EACH ONE CAN HAVE A PHOTO.

TO COMPLETE CHALLENGE YOU CAN TRAVEL SOLO OR GET GROUPS TOGETHER TO SHARE THE FUN, SOME OF THE CHALLENGE SPOTS CAN BE PICKED UP ON OUR REGULAR DRIVES AND EVENTS.

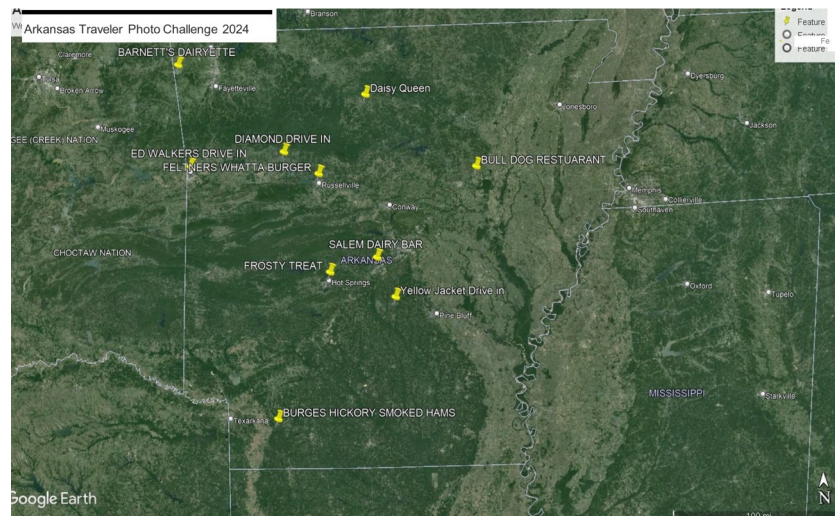
YOU CAN EMAIL THE PHOTOS WHEN ALL ARE COMPLETED OR EMAIL AS YOU GET THEM, YOU CAN EVEN SHARE THEM TO OUR FACEBOOK OR INSTAGRAM PAGES TO SHARE THE FUN WITH OTHERS

ARKANSAS TRAVELER PHOTO CHALLENGE 2024

ADDRESSES OF PHOTO CHALLENGE SPOTS

ALPHABETICAL ORDER

1. BARNETT'S DAIRYETTE - 111 WEST TULSA ST. SILOAM SPRINGS, AR 72761
2. BULLDOG DRIVE IN RESTAURANT - 3614 HWY 367 BALD KNOB, AR 72010
3. BURGE'S TURKEYS HAMS AND ICE CREAM - 526 SPRUCE ST. LEWISVILLE, AR 71845
4. DAISY QUEEN DRIVE IN - 614 HWY 65 NORTH MARSHALL, AR 72650
5. DIAMOND DRIVE IN - 1206 W MAIN ST. CLARKSVILLE, AR 72830
6. ED WALKER'S DRIVE IN - 1500 TOWSON AVE. FORT SMITH, AR 72901
7. FELTNER'S WHATTA-BURGER - 1410 ARKANSAS AVE. RUSSELLVILLE, AR 72801
8. FROSTY TREAT - 1020 E GRAND AVE. HOT SPRINGS, AR 71901
9. SALEM DAIRY BAR - 6406 CONGO RD, BENTON, AR 72019
10. YELLOW JACKET DRIVE IN - 101 ROCK ST. SHERIDAN, AR 72150





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**“Driving Top Down in the
Natural State”**

Facebook: For up-to-the-minute events information, member input and other stuff, visit our Facebook page at Arkansas Miata Club Group. You may also consult the newsletter, which is published monthly and uploaded to the Facebook page, as well as the web page.

Change of Address & Member Info: Be sure to keep your contact information and particularly your email address up-to-date; you don't want to miss anything! Submit your email address, snail mail address, new car info and any other contact information changes to the Membership Officer at membership@arkansasmiaata.com.

New Members: You may register to join our club at www.arkansasmiaata.com. Print and complete the membership form. You may eMail also to membership@arkansasmiaata.com. You also can download the printable form, fill it out and mail it together with your check to the club address or bring your completed form and dues at the next club event. Be especially careful in printing your email address to ensure we record it correctly so that you will receive the newsletter and club announcements. Dues are \$ 24.00 per year



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