



ARKANSAS MIATA CLUB

SPECIAL DATES OF INTEREST:

- September 21 ..
RoundTop TSD
- October 11—13
..... One More
Thyme (Mountain
Thyme BNB,
Jessieville)
- November 9th
..... Leaf Peek /
Jojo's Catfish
Wharf
- December 7th—
Holiday Party

NEXT YEAR !

- January 18—Tech
Session
- February 15—
Annual Polar
Bear

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

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"2024 ROUNDTOP TSD RALLYE"

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21st

1:00pm

***ACADEMY SPORTS
PARKING LOT
WARDEN ROAD AND
WILDWOOD 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 12:50pm and first car off at 1:00pm. This is a simple, no trap, course-following TSD rally. We will also be playing trip poker, so bring \$5 if you want to participate. Hope to see you all there!

Bring a pencil and paper, and your patience !!

The Rallye should last between 2 and 2.5 hours. We'll be meeting for DRINK and food at the On The Border, 6000 Warden Road in Sherwood. Join us there even if you don't rallye with us !

OCTOBER EVENT

“ONE MORE THYME !”

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11th thru

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13th

We are planning on returning again to the Jessieville area for a relaxing week end in October

The Mountain Thyme Bed & Breakfast Inn is just on the north side of Hot Springs. and offers a variety of things to do. Check out their website at www.mountainthyme.com.

The Arkansas Miata Club will host a Weekend Retreat with a check-in late afternoon on Friday, October 11th. A variety of games and social times will begin Friday (bring a couple of bucks to buy some poker chips). Friday evening will begin with a Block Party in Hot Springs Village with the Village Big Band at the Balboa Lake pavilion. We'll make plans locally for dinner in the area after the Block Party.

A Saturday morning drive through Garland, Perry and Yell Counties

is being planned, with a lunch in the Hot Springs area. There will be time for sightseeing in downtown Hot Springs after lunch, with trips for some general sight-seeing, and a pizza dinner at the Inn, followed with an evening to finish game challenges and social time.

Plans for Sunday are being discussed.

We have booked the entire Inn for this weekend. There are 8 rooms, and four are still available at the time of this writing. Call as soon as you can to reserve a room. With a full booking we will get a 20% room rate discount. Rooms are held until October 1, with cancellation through October 7. If rooms are unavailable when you call, ask to be added to a reserve list in the event of a cancellation. Plans can be made for additional rooms at the Los Lagos

condos in Hot Springs Village.

You are also welcome to join us for a Saturday day trip in and around Hot Springs if you prefer not to be away overnight. Saturday morning meeting times and details to follow –

- Drive Saturday morning at 10:00am from Mountain Thyme Inn
- Lunch in the Hot Springs area at 1:00pm
- Dinner at the Mountain Thyme B&B at 7:00pm.

Anyone wishing to travel in a pack, we will be at the Shell Station on Hwy 10 and Chenal at 1:00 on Friday, October 11th for the beginning of the Arkansas Miata Club weekend retreat.



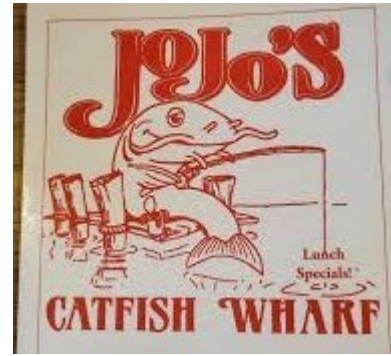
NOVEMBER EVENT

"LEAF PEEK AND JOJO'S LUNCH"

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 9:00am

***SYLVAN HILLS CHURCH OF CHRIST
PARKING LOT,***

NO. LITTLE ROCK, AR



Along with the Polar Bear Run, one of the favorite drives of the Arkansas Miata Club each year has been the fall drive up to Mountain View, to see the colors in the Ozarks and to enjoy a great catfish lunch at JoJo's Wharf at Jack's Fishing Resort on the White River at Sylamore Creek.

We'll meet Saturday morning, November 9th in the parking lot of Sylvan Hills Church of Christ at Maryland Avenue and Hwy 107 (JFK Boulevard) in North Little Rock at 8:30am, with a drivers' meeting at 8:50am and departure by 9:00am. We will play a game of poker on the way, so bring your \$ 5 to participate in the game !

JR Mills will lead us through the backroads of the Ozarks and past Greer's Ferry and Heber Springs to Mountain View, AR where we'll stop for lunch at JoJo's Catfish Wharf just north of town. Lunch will be the individual's responsibility, from the menu.

After lunch, we'll separate and return routes will be up to you ! Stop in Mountain View and see who's playing at the Courthouse, or stop in Heber Springs and do a little shopping at the Ozark Country Market.

DECEMBER EVENT

"HOLIDAY PARTY LUNCH" at Cheers In Maumelle

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7th

11:00am

This year's Christmas party will be held on December 7th at 11:00am. Please bring a gift (no more than \$20); you can bring 1 gift per person, or 1 gift per couple (choice is yours).

<http://www.cheersmaumelle.com/>

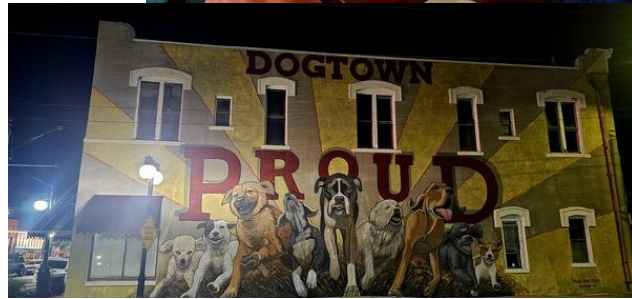
Cheers in Maumelle

Watch for more details as the date grows closer

IT WAS A SHORT DRIVE

SKINNY Js for Dinner and then a show at The Joint

August 17th

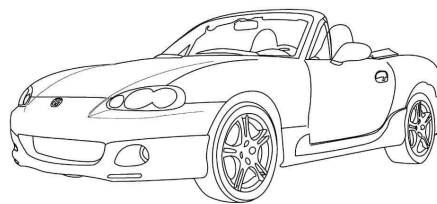


WELCOME NEW MEMBERS !

'New Member Welcome' to Nicole and Todd Walker

The Walkers are joining us from West Monroe, LA and bets are on that they know the Capps from the 'neighborhood' !! They drive a Soul Red '16 ND

Glad to have you aboard, and hope to meet you soon at an event !



CLUB CHANGES IN THE MAKING

The Board met on Tuesday, August 27th

After reviewing such mundane details as previous meeting minutes, webmaster reports, the state of the treasury, and membership additions the Board looked at several important items to finish out this year and take us into 2025

Discussion centered around the current treasury balance, and what we can do to retain what we have and hopefully continue to add to it;

- We examined what we were paying to have the Club magnets made, as compared to what we are currently charging. After learning we were charging less for a pair than what they cost us (\$ 20 vs \$ 34), it was moved that we start charging \$ 35 to members and \$ 40 to non-members The motion carried.*
- The current \$ 24 yearly dues amount for a family has been in place for a numbers of years. It was decided to change the dues for 2025 to \$ 30 per family any new members coming in after October 1 will pay the new amount.*
- Also discussed and voted on in the meeting was the yearly donation from the Club to Arkansas Childrens' Hospital The Club has historically made a donation during the yearly fund drive when donations are matched. It was moved and approved that the Club make a donation this year at that time in the amount of \$ 150.*

QUESTIONS FOR MEMBERS

Going forward, the Board is interested in knowing

- Would you pay a nominal fee (ie, \$ 10 per participant) to participate in monthly events, whether that be a drive or a rallye, if there was a tShirt available or if a participation award (dash plaque, decal, etc) was given ?*
- Is there an interest in Club logo materials such as polo shirts, hats, sweatshirts if an order was taken, amount paid, and the materials then ordered and distributed ?*

Watch for a short questionnaire on the Facebook page, or send a short eMail to

newsletter@arkansasmiaata.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.

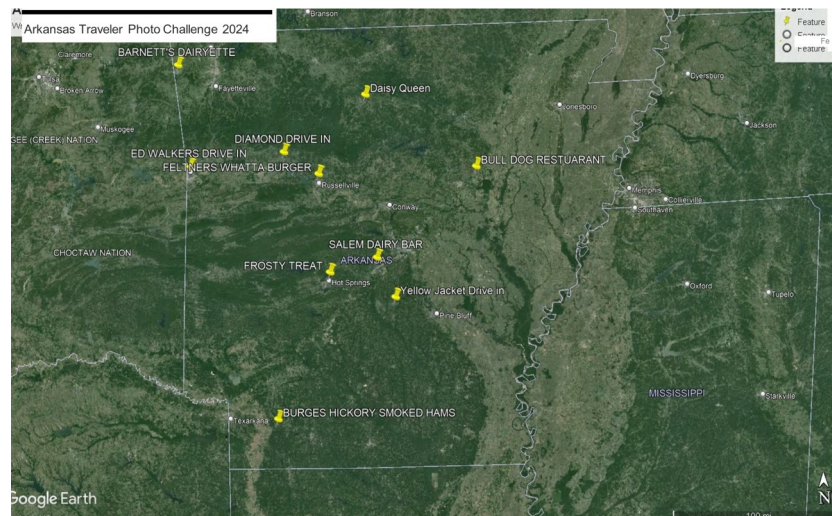
YOU CAN EMAIL THE PHOTOS WHEN ALL ARE COMPLETED OR EMAIL AS YOU GET THEM, YOU CAN EVEN SHARE THEM TO OUR FACEBOOK OR INSTAGRAM PAGES TO SHARE THE FUN WITH OTHERS

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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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