ARKANSAS MIATA CLUB

SPECIAL DATES OF INTEREST:

- October I I—I3
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 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
- March 22nd—
 Oaklawn Drive
 and Outing
- April 19th—Toad
 Suck Bucks Drive
- May 17th—
 Shangri-La on
 Lake Ouchita

If you have any suggestions, please let one of the Board members know!

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"ONE MORE THYME!" FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11th thru SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13th



We are 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



We have booked the entire Inn for this weekend. **There are 2 rooms 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. Do not try to reserve through the web page, as all rooms are set aside for the Club for this event.

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 over-night. 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. (cont'd on next page)

"ONE MORE THYME!" - continued FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11th thru SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13th

The week end begins 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 activities will begin at 5:00pm with a Block Party in Hot Springs Village, with the Village Big Band playing a show and dance at the Balboa Lake pavilion. We'll make plans locally for dinner 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. A Club Members Meeting will be held at the Inn at 3:30pm, and a pizza dinner will be brought in, followed with an evening to finish game challenges and social time.

Plans for Sunday are being discussed.

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.

LAST MONTH'S EVENT

The Roundtop TSD Rallye was held last month (September), with four cars showing and vying for bragging rights for another year

Congrats to Nina and her navigator Billie on the win, and to David and Mitch on the runner-up position.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

'New Member Welcome' to Lauren and Mark Johnson

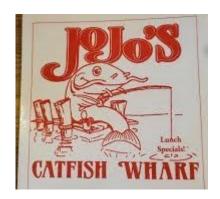
The Johnsons are joining us from Bryant, AR and they're in the 'neighborhood' of Kelly and Erik Hansen!! They drive a Emerald Green '99 NB

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



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

http://www.cheersmaumelle.com/

"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).

Cheers in Maumelle	
Watch for more details as the date grows closer	

CLUB CHANGES

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 nonmembers 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.



At the Board meeting in September, the calendar of events for 2025 was discussed and set
The list of events, through May, is listed on the front page of this newsletter.

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@arkansasmiata.com.

New Members: You may register to join our club at www.arkansasmiata.com. Print and complete the membereMail also ship form. You may to membership@arkansasmiata.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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