

## **NATURALLY TOPLESS**

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DRIVING TOPDOWN IN THE NATURAL STATE

## ANNUAL POLAR BEAR DRIVE / MEMBERSHIP MEETING SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15th 9:00am

The annual Polar Bear Run will be held on Saturday, February 15, 2025.

We will be meeting at the Shell Service Station at Chenal Parkway and Hwy 10 in West Little Rock. Participants will meet at the station at 8:30am, and be gassed and ready for departure at 9:00am.

Please bring your scarves, wool caps, heavy jackets and mufflers for a jolly romp through the Pulaski, Perry, and Saline County countrysides - TOP DOWN!

We will end up at one of Benton's fine dining establishments, La Hacienda, for brunch and a membership meeting. For those that would prefer to just attend the meeting, meet us at La Hacienda at 11:30am (17401 Interstate 30 So, Benton, AR 72015 (501) 776-9959).



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#### **DUES ARE DUE FOR 2025!!**

It's that time again, that dues (\$ 30) are due for the coming year. At the Board Meeting in September, a full calendar of events was scheduled for 2025; and payment of dues will help us to schedule, plan, and execute these events. Also discussed were at least one overnight trip, and the possibility of tShirts for Club members.

We are still planning on member name badges for all paid members, and hope to have them available by the June overnighter to Rogers and Bentonville.

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

Dues can be paid directly at one of our events, or sent by check. The membership form is available on the website.

Send your checks for \$ 30 to:

Arkansas Miata Club 1 Juego Way Hot Springs Village, AR 71909

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#### **Special Dates of Interest:**

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•	Toad Suck Bucks	April 19
•	Shangri-La on Lake Ouachita	May 17
•	Crystal Bridges and Baseball	June 6—8
•	Brewery Run	July 19



## DRIVE TO OAKLAWN / DAY AT THE RACES 9:30am MARCH 22, 2025

In March, we will be meeting on Saturday morning, March 19th at the Starbucks in Benton, on the I-30 service road just east of Alcoa Road.

After a morning drive, we will stop at the Oaklawn Park Race Track in Hot Springs for a afternoon of watching horse racing.

Lunch will be on each person's own at the Park!!

Reservations will need to be made in advance if you are interested in Grand Stand seating indoors (\$5 in advance, and we'll reserve a block of seats for the Club). The Outdoor Apron Area does not require reservations and is free of charge—first come, first serve.

Hope to see the Arkansas Miata Club in the lights on the racetrack scoreboard during the afternoon ....



TOAD SUCK BUCK'S DRIVE AND DINNER SATURDAY, April 19th 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 in 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, right across from the Casey's Service Station. The drive will begin at 1:00.

We will play poker en route, so if you're interested bring \$ 5 for each person wanting to join in .......

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 .....

## Mazda Announces 2025 MX-5 Miata 35th Anniversary



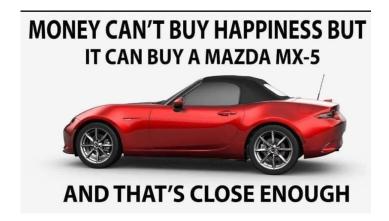


Tying together the unmistakably sporty silhouette with upscale touches in a nod to its CX-90 stablemate, the 2025 MX-5 Miata 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary features Artisan Red Metallic paintwork, which is Mazda's fourth addition to its bespoke Takuminuri paint process that produces the three-layer finish. The sultry, dark red hue is paired with a beige soft top and bright finish 17 -inch wheels. Additional exterior tells for the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary include a color-matched rear spoiler and serialized badging on the rear fender.

The 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary sports a classic sportscar interior with matching tan carpeting and floor mats, along with tan Nappa leather seating which has been embossed with the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary logo on the head rests. A color-matched tan Nappa leather-wrapped key fob sleeve adds a further element of bespoke flair for 35th Anniversary customers. The interior trim around the AC vents and upper door panel will be color matched to the exterior color so that customers can appreciate the rich, color-shift properties of Artisan Red even while inside the cabin.

Mirroring the high level of equipment found on the Grand Touring trim, customers will enjoy features including heated seats, Bose audio, wireless Apple CarPlay and Android Auto connectivity, Alexa Built-in and a navigation system paired to an 8.8inch Mazda Connect infotainment display, amongst many other niceties. All of this is paired with dynamic improvements including an asymmetric limited-slip differential, shock tower bracing, and sport-tuned Bilstein dampers.

Solely available with a soft top and six-speed manual transmission, just 300 examples of the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary will be available in the United States, making it one of the most exclusive MX-5 Miata models to ever make it stateside. To celebrate this, 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary customers will be invited to a special owner experience that is sure to excite.



### ADDITIONAL 2025 EVENTS

#### **ARKANSAS MIATA CLUB**

1 Juego Way Hot Springs Village, AR 71909

# We're on the Web! www.arkansasmiataclub.com

**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. 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 \$ 30.00 per year





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