

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sat May 8	Rally	Sat Aug 28	WPMC Picnic
Sat May 22	Riverside Inn Cruise	Thu Sep 2 6:30 PM	Monthly Meeting at Monroeville Mazda
Sat Jun 5 9:00 AM	Monthly Meeting at Baglier Mazda	Sat Sep 4	You Gotta Know When to "Roll" Em and When to "Fold" Em
Sat Jun 5	BeaveRun CarFest	Sat-Mon Sep 4-6	Topless in the Mountains
Sat Jun 12	Fallingwater Cruise	Sun Sep 19	Third Annual Golf Outing
Thu-Sun Jun 24-27	Miata Mountain Mania 2010	Fri-Sun Sep 24-26	Niagara On The Lake
Thu Jul 1 6:30 PM	Monthly Meeting at Monroeville Mazda	Sat Oct 2	Horseshoe Curve Cruise
Sat Jul 10	Portage Cruise	Sun Oct 10	Alpaca Cruise
Sat-Sun Jul 24-25	Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix	Sat Dec 4	WPMC Christmas Party
Sat Jul 31	Run with the Foxes Cruise		
Sat Aug 7 10:00 AM	Monthly Meeting at Moon Mazda		
Sat Aug 7	Whitmire Cruise		





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SPRING RALLY BY LINDA ZIMLIKI

John McConaha is a patient and friend of mine that loves to do rallies. He has done two other rallies for us before. They are a lot fun. You will need a navigator and be open for some fun. John will supply packets with pens. You will then have all you need to travel some Miata roads on the hunt. There will be prizes and we will end up at a restaurant. Details follow.

Starting Place: Smail Mazda

Date & Time: Saturday May 8 at 9:30 AM

First Car Off: 10:00 AM

Need: Navigator

RSVP: Linda Zimliki - lzimliki@westpennmiataclub.com or 724-327-1762 by May 3

CARFEST AT BEAVERUN BY BOB AND DOROTHY WACHTER

Come and join us for a day of fun at BeaveRun Motorsports Complex in Wampum, PA. We will have our monthly meeting at Baglier Mazda in Butler at 10:00 then take a short cruise to BeaveRun. The rest of the day will be spent there. It is the day of their annual Carfest. Events include:

- Car cruise / display
- Auto Cross / drifting demos
- Mini flat out day
- Kart rentals
- Live entertainment and more.

For more information, check out www.beaverun.com. If interested, please contact Bob and Dorothy Wachter at 724-357-8377.

RIVERSIDE INN CRUISE BY WALLY SWARMER

Come join us for an easy morning and afternoon of driving, with a nice lunch at the Riverside Inn in Cambridge Springs, Pa. This Historic Victorian Inn was built to accommodate wealthy patrons during the "Mineral Water Boom" of the late 1800's.

Date and Time: Saturday, May 22 at 9:30 AM - Leave at 10:00 AM

Meeting Place: Mall parking lot below Kings restaurant in Cranberry

RSVP: Wally Swarmer 724-443-0834 or wsswarmer@consolidated.net by May 20. (I will be on vacation from May 13 -19 and will pick up your messages on the 20th.)

PITTSBURGH VINTAGE GRAND PRIX BY WALLY SWARMER

Once again, we will be attending the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix. Saturday, July 24 is the day of the Combined Car Show and we will have our usual tent set up for the weekend. All are invited to attend Saturday and Sunday. This would be a good time to invite a friend who owns a Miata and is not in the club. Each car must be registered for the event at www.pvgp.org. More details will be in the June newsletter. Please let me know if you will be attending at 724-443-0834 or wsswarmer@consolidated.net.





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TOPILESS in the MOUNTAINS - XVI BY Steve LAPP

Topless in the Mountains XVI will be from Saturday, September 4 to Monday, September 6. This is an event sponsored by the Trillium Club from Canada with an invitation to WPMC. This year's event will feature "Sporty" and "Cruising" groups to accommodate different driving styles.

To sign up for this event:

1. Contact Steve Lapp at slapp@westpennmiataclub.com or 412-366-3388 to confirm that space is available.
2. Steve will send you a registration form which you will complete and send to the Trillium leaders for this event.
3. Book your room at the Hampton Inn after your registration is confirmed.

the WPMC. I think everyone who attended left with more knowledge about how to keep their favorite car looking and running great.

START-UP CRUISE REPORT

BY DOROTHY AND BOB WACHTER

On May 1, eleven Miatas left the Smail dealership in Greensburg for the start-up cruise of the year. Linda and Joe Zimliki led us on an adventurous ride to Seven Springs through many back roads where we could travel with the pedal to the metal. After an hour traveling, we arrived at Seven Springs where Linda gave us a tour of where Miata Mountain Mania 2010 will be happening. We then drove to Confluence where we had lunch at the River Edge Cafe - good food and wonderful service. After lunch, we traveled back through more windy roads to Donegal to the Dairy Queen for ice cream. It was a beautiful and enjoyable sunny day. Thank you Linda and Joe for a great cruise.

TECH SESSION REPORT BY Steve LAPP

This year's Tech Session was held at Bilco Motors and focused on brake pad replacement along with interior and top maintenance. Service manager Paul Zana welcomed us while we enjoyed pastries and coffee supplied by Bilco. Following Paul's introduction, Mazda Service Technician Bob Bartoldi demonstrated methods for brake pad replacement and answered numerous questions from our members. The discussion then shifted to interior and top maintenance. Paolo Rossi, Mazda's District Manager, spoke about various topics including seat, dash, and top care. A question and answer period followed. As always in these sessions, you learn something new. I was surprised to learn that Paolo recommends using sun block on the seats and dash. The reasoning is the same as for your skin - UV protection. Also, the sun block doesn't leave a sheen when you're done.

Many thanks to Bilco Motors for hosting this event and to Paul, Bob, and Paolo for their excellent presentations. Thanks also to Joe Zimliki who coordinated this event for

2010 CRUISIN & ZOOMIN SEASON BY LINDA ZIMLIKI

We had a beautiful day for our Start-Up Cruise. After the winter we had, members were glad to get their Miatas on the road again. There is a change in the schedule. Due to a leader breaking their foot, May 22's cruise will be scheduled later this year. Instead, Wally will be leading his Riverside Cruise on May 22.

Mary & Bob Belding, from the Northcoast Miata Club, have invited our club to their annual picnic on July 24th. It is in the early evening in Columbiana, Ohio and is a very nice time. Our contact in the club is Bryan Bond. Please contact him if you plan on going. His number is 724-439-4001.

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Below are upcoming events from other clubs.

SOCALMS - TWO EVENTS

Mazda wants all Miata clubs know that starting this year we are going to be celebrating the 20th year of the world's best sports car, our little Miatas. So in conjunction with SOCALMs 20th Year we are putting on two events. One in June at the Autoclub speedway in Fontana, where we will be able to watch the Miatas race, have a car show with 9 trophies, three for each generation, (NA,NB,NC) and on Saturday a photo at the starting line of all those that attend with their Miatas! This is a two day event with runs on Saturday and Sunday and two full days of racing, and you can go into the pits and check out the cars and talk with the drivers. There is also a Autocross available for those who wish to run, (you need roll bars, helmets and good working order cars only).

The June event is completely FREE to all Miatas, and we get to do laps on the big track and inside road course also. You can sign up at Miatafun.net for this part of the celebration.

In July we are having a REAL BIG celebration at the Mazda R&D. We get a tour, you can meet Tom Matano our father of the Miata, and other special guests and displays. There will be runs at both events also, and after the R&D tour there will be a run and a banquet. You have to sign up for this at <http://socalm.org>. Click on the anniversary pin. You will also receive a goodie bag and anniversary pin. You must sign up for these events for Mazda to have a head count for the food and goodie bags. The event is only \$40.00 for the event and banquet.

SACRAMENTO AREA MIATA OWNER ASSOCIATION - 20TH ANNIVERSARY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

The Sacramento Area Miata Owners Association is hosting its 20th Anniversary Birthday Celebration, Running Around Bear, at Bear Valley Lodge in the High Sierra. Our celebration will take place the last weekend in September 2010, commencing Friday September 24th and running through Sunday September 26th. All SAMOA club members and any and all other Miata enthusiasts are invited. We have reserved the entire Bear Valley Lodge for the weekend, and we have a full range of activities

planned... there will be something for everyone. But moreover, our birthday weekend will give us the chance to renew old and new friendships and celebrate and enjoy arguably the most fun and popular sports car ever produced. Events for the weekend include, but are not limited to...

- Friday poker run to Bear Valley and welcome hospitality center
- Saturday driving events
- Saturday lunch
- Saturday evening gala buffet and charity raffle
- Car show with prizes
- Sunday Funkana
- Program and goody bag

The prizes for the charity raffle which is quite extensive, can be found here...:

<http://www.sacramentoareamiata.org/bearvalleyraffle.html>

The registration form can be found here...:

<http://www.sacramentoareamiata.org/bearvalleyregistrationform.html>

The entire event web page can be found here...:

http://www.sacramentoareamiata.org/event_runningaroundbear2010.html

Thanks again and we look forward to seeing a lot of out of towners for this big event in the Sierras

Jack Parker
SAMOA Events Coordinator

MX-5 International Touring Opportunities

We are MX-5 enthusiasts in New Zealand who have set up a fully escorted MX-5 touring operation. Having searched the internet worldwide, we have found no such service for MX-5ers anywhere and with your help hope to bring this to the attention of your MX-5 club members.

The company we have created offers MX-5 owners and others the opportunity to tour the fabulous roads and attractions of our country in a fully escorted tour with a

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small group of like minded MX-5 enthusiasts while driving our MX-5 NB's and NC's.

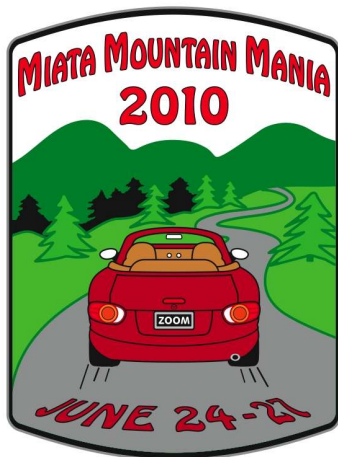
www.mx5touring.co.nz

MIATAS IN THE OZARKS

The Northwest Arkansas Miata Club is proud to announce Miatas in the Ozarks - 2011. From drives, cruises, tours and running moonshine, the club is going to entertain you like never before. So mark your calendars & register fast so you don't miss out on this event with all your Arkansas Miata Friends. Registration for this event will open on September 1, 2010.

<http://www.nmamiataclub.com>

MIATA MOUNTAIN MANIA 2010



Our celebration of the greatest roadster, Miata, is just around the corner. It will be reflected in both the Dance & Banquet. Members are welcome to attend the dance. If you are not signed up for event, but plan on attending the dance, we need to know. You will need a MMM 2010 name tag. Please email me at lzimliki@westpennmiataclub.com to let me know. If you are signed up there is no need to respond.

CRUIS'N WITH JIM BY PRESIDENT JIM PFEIFFER

Every Sunday the Tribune Review features a car in one of its sections. This week the featured car was a 1950 Ford Convertible. This brought back a lot of memories. My first car was a used 1950 Ford Convertible that I purchased with money I saved from my part-time job in a grocery store. This was the car I had when Janet and I started to date way back in the '50s. In 1957 my older brother bought a new Ford Thunderbird, pink, two seat convertible, stick shift on the floor, and let me drive it on many occasions. This was a great car and I had a lot fun cruizin' in it. Still loving convertibles, in 1958 I bought a new Ford Fairlane 500 convertible and loved that car as well. The following year Janet and I got married then started our family, so the convertible was traded in for a family car.

Forty-four years and many cars later, we were at a Mazda dealership to purchase a Mazda 6 and, low and behold, what was in the showroom, but a Miata MX-5. I loved the car the moment I saw it. This particular car had a "sold" sign on it. I mentioned it to the salesman and he said that a customer had retired and bought this car for his retirement present. As I looked this Miata over, it reminded me a lot of the 1957 Thunderbird and it brought back a lot of fond memories. I knew then, the Miata was the car I wanted. I turned to Janet and said to her this is what I want for MY retirement... and the rest is history. Some things never change.

Zoom, zoom zoom.

JUNE DEADLINE

THE DEADLINE FOR ARTICLES FOR THE JUNE NEWSLETTER IS JUNE 7, 2010





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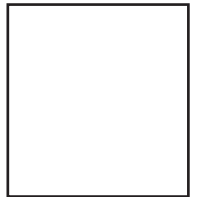
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