



## The Convertible Chronicles of the Utah Miata Club



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SPIRIT RACING R-12 NE MX-5 MIATA

### From the Top Down by Robert Olsen

May has a lot of things to be excited about. As spring settles in, we're greeted with warmer weather, longer days, and the vibrant beauty that comes after April's rain. Flowers are blooming everywhere, painting Utah in bright colors and reminding us why this time of year feels so refreshing. It's the perfect backdrop for getting out and enjoying the open road.



For us Miata enthusiasts, May really marks the start of prime top down driving season. We've already had some great opportunities to drop the tops and take in the fresh air, but now the conditions are consistently ideal. There's something special about cruising through scenic routes with the sun shining and a gentle breeze—something only a Miata can truly deliver. Whether it's a quick evening drive or a longer weekend cruise, May invites us all to get behind the wheel and enjoy the ride.

The Utah Miata Club continues to make the most of the season with luncheons, meetings, and organized drives. These gatherings give us the chance to connect, share stories, and build friendships with others who share the same passion. It's not just about the cars—it's about the community. From casual conversations over lunch to spirited drives through Utah's beautiful landscapes, every event adds to what makes this club so enjoyable. Of course, May also brings us Mother's Day, a time to celebrate and appreciate the important women in our lives. It's a wonderful opportunity to combine family time with a scenic drive, perhaps even introducing loved ones to the joy of riding in a Miata on a perfect spring day.

Looking ahead, it's not too early to start thinking about one of our big summer events. Mark your calendars for July 18th: our Summer Picnic from 1:00 to 3:00 PM, which will also include our Election and Planning Meeting. The event will be held at Riverside Park, Parkside Bowery #2, located at 195 E. 215 N. in Morgan, Utah. This is always a highlight of the season—a chance to relax, enjoy good company, and help shape the future of the club.

As we approach this event, please take some time to think about whom you'd like to elect as new club officers. Leadership plays an important role in keeping the club active, organized, and fun for everyone. Your participation and input truly matter. May is a time of renewal, excitement, and connection. Let's make the most of it—top down, smiles on, and Miatas on the road.

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# May Luncheon and Drive by Mike Bailey

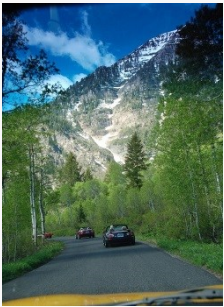
**When / Where: Saturday, May 9, 2026. Time: 11:30 AM.**

**Place: Luncheon at Sizzler Steak House.** 9000 South State St, Sandy, UT. We will meet in the private dining room. Phone: 801-566-8021 **Monthly Luncheon & Club Meeting!**



We will have our monthly lunch and meeting to discuss club business and upcoming events. After lunch we will line up our Miatas in the parking lot and proceed down I-15 from 90th South and go to the exit for American Fork Canyon at Highland and Alpine.

**Drive: Alpine Loop Drive up American Fork Canyon.** We will continue the drive to Sundance Resort and stop there for a potty break if necessary. From there we will head down to the Provo Canyon Road. Officially, the drive will end at Sundance. The main group will travel home via south down Provo Canyon past Bridel Veil Falls. It's fun to stop there to see the falls if anyone is interested. We'll continue south and turn right at 800 North Street in Orem for Salt Lakers, or Northerners can travel back the same way home through Heber City. Photos from past canyon drives in the area: Alpine Loop, Cascade Springs, American Fork Canyon, Bridal Veil Falls.

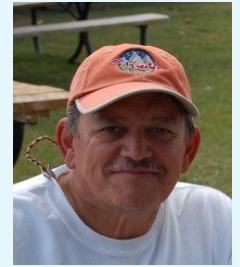


# June 2026 Luncheon & Drive by Mike Bailey

**When: Saturday, June 20, 2026. Time: 12:00 Noon (week later than normal)**

**Where: Leatherby's Family Creamery  
1872 W. 5400 S., Taylorsville, UT. Private Room**

**"A great Summer Treat & Fun" Be sure to come!**



Due to June's Rat Fink Car Show event and the Dark Sky event the following weekend at Bryce Canyon, we'll have our monthly meeting this day. You can have lunch or just an ice cream treat. We will have our monthly club meeting and discuss the July Summer Picnic which includes the Election and Planning Meeting to elect new officers, directors and board members for the following 2026-2027 year. This runs from August thru July of the following year. Be sure to give us some ideas on whom to elect in one of these positions. We have positions of President, Vice President and 3 Board members to elect. After the luncheon / meeting if anyone is interested in doing a short drive please mention it at the meeting and where you would suggest to go.



Be sure to support our local Mazda Dealership **BOUNTIFUL MAZDA** for a New or Used Car and for your Service and Parts. (801) 397-2277



**Attention: New Membership Dues Reminder**

The Utah Miata Club is a group of friends who promote our common interest in the Mazda MX-5 Miata, by joining in safe, recreational, and social activities. Your dues permit you to participate in club activities, and to receive the newsletter by email and participate on the club's Facebook Page. Please note that Expiring Soon column now shows your date "Paid Thru". A single membership is \$30.00 for the year, and a dual membership is \$40.00. If your name is among the personalized reminders below, at our next activity please hand a check—payable to the **Utah Miata Club**—to Mike or Kelly Thompson. If you prefer you may mail a check to 2468 E. 1950 N. Layton, UT. 84040. If you have questions Mike may be contacted at 530-521-6675, or by email at utahmiataclub@yahoo.com. Payment types accepted for your dues are cash, check, money order or Venmo: username @UMCTreas. **Please Renew your Membership on the Month its Due!**

**Birthdays / Memberships**



**New Members**

NAME	YEAR	COLOR
EDDIE EGAN	2016	SOUL RED
DANNY & CHRISTENA GATES	1991	BRITISH RACING GREEN
HEEWON HWANG	2022	SOUL RED
TYLER STARM	2026	SOUL RED

TODD CHRISTOPHER	05 MAY
AKEE MANSOURI	05 MAY
RONDA BECKSTEAD	06 MAY
SCOTT HADLEY	06 MAY
JIM BOWERS	09 MAY
FATEME CHALESTORI	12 MAY
LETHO BASSETT	17 MAY
EDDIE EGAN	17 MAY
SONYA JOHNSON	17 MAY
STEVE TOBIASON	17 MAY
MARILYN BICKLEY	20 MAY
REXANNE POND	28 MAY

**Expiring Soon: \$40. Dual- \$30 Single / Renew Now**

NAME	PAID THRU
AMY BECKSTEAD	30 JUN 2026
JIM & DOROTHY BOWERS	30 JUN 2026
SARAH BURNINGHAM	30 JUN 2026
JEFF & KRISTI DURRANT	31 MAY 2026
JOE FELIZ	30 JUN 2026
ALEX & SONJA JOHNSON	31 JUN 2026
TY & SUE KIISEL	30 JUN 2026
HANK & REXANNE POND	30 JUN 2026
RON STECKLER & STEVE TOBIASON	31 MAY 2026



**Memberships Expired / Renew Now**

NAME	EXPIRED
KAY BARRELL	30 APR 2026
DAVID & SHERRY BARSKI	30 APR 2026
JIM & MARILYN BICKLEY	31 MAR 2026
GREG & ALLISON BRIDEN	30 APR 2026
BRAD HAMBLIN	31 MAR 2026
SAMUEL & KELLY HART	30 MAY 2026
LARRY & CHARLENE PETERSEN	30 APR 2026

REMOVED FROM ROSTER	EXP.
ANDY JACKSON	MAR 2026
RYAN, EMMA RICHMAN	MAR 2026

**Club Officers July 2025—2026**

President: Robert Olsen Vice President: Mchael Bailey Secretary: Kelly Thompson Treasurer: Michael Thompson Directors: Gordon Nicholl, Valerie Francis, David Scheurer Web Master: Doyle Sturm Newsletter Editor: Mike Bailey, Membership Director: Jackie Nicholl



# 24TH ANNUAL ED "BIG DADDY" ROTH'S RAT FINK REUNION

By Steve Beckstead



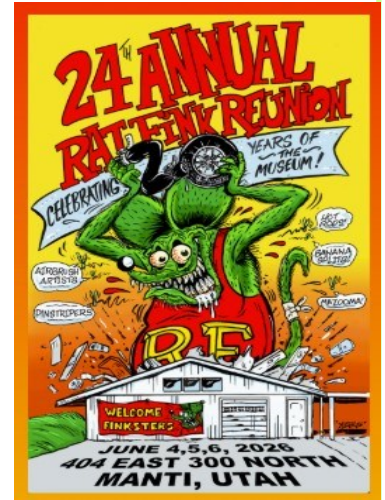
**WHEN: SATURDAY JUNE 6, 2026; 9:30 AM MEET IN DRAPER AT HARMON'S GROCERY STORE LOT— 13800 SOUTH, EAST OFF BANGERTEER HIGHWAY**



**DESTINATION: 404 EAST 300 NORTH, MANTI, UTAH AT THE CITY PARK**



The **"Big Daddy" Roth's Rat Fink Reunion** will be lots of fun. We plan to meet at 9:30 a.m. at the **Harmon's Grocery store parking lot** off I-15 at 13800 South (which is east of I-15). Members should eat breakfast before and / or bring a snack to have on the drive. Also take a bathroom break if needed and you can pick up snacks at Harmons. **We will have a short driver's meeting and be on the road by 10:00 a.m.** We will probably drive via Scofield Reservoir, like we have the past few years which is a scenic drive before arriving in Manti around 1:00 pm or earlier, depending on stops. It is less than a 3 hour drive. The paragraph below about this event was taken from the Rat Fink Car Show website about the event.



"We gather once a year to celebrate the life works and talents of Ed "Big Daddy" Roth. Several Awesome Artists attend the Rat Fink Reunion and share their talents with Car Show Awards, 5K Fun Run Awards and Auction pieces. Come watch the artists at work. Have them create your dream designs. They Airbrush and Pinstripe on everything! We welcome everyone that has a love for the creations and talents of our "BIG DADDY".

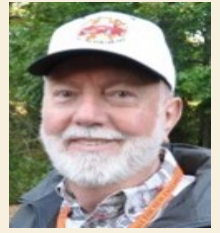
You are welcome to stay as long as you want. We generally leave around late afternoon for home. You can take your own way home or follow the group when time to leave. This is a **FUN** event so hope you will want to attend!





# June Bryce Canyon Dark Sky Nights Presentation

by Ken Jaworski and Robert Mechling and edited by Mike Bailey



## Attention UMC Members Interested in going to Bryce in June:

Some new information has come up from several members who want to attend this event and for those interested the dates they have booked accommodations for

**4 days (3 nights): Leave Thursday June 11 - Saturday, June 13th coming**

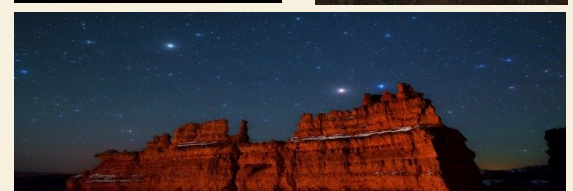
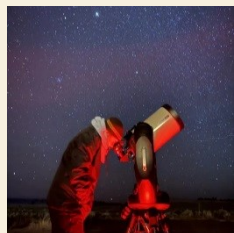
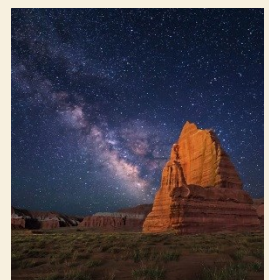
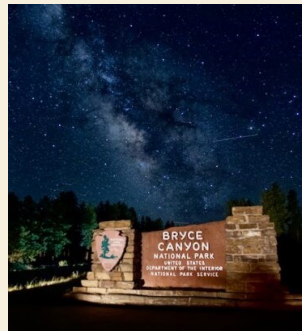
**home on Sunday June 14th.** Advice is to book your rooms soon as possible. Details below. Despite what you have heard about accommodations being booked out, my contacts in Bryce Canyon City have rooms available at **Ruby's Inn, Bryce View Lodge** and also at the **Best Western Plus Grand Hotel.** Use this link to book rooms: <https://res.windsurfercrs.com/ibe/details.aspx?propertyid=16696&nights=3&checkin=6/11/2026&group=UTMIATA26&lang=en-us>

Accommodations available in Bryce on June 11 only at BVL \$180. QQ. 6/12 &13: Ruby's QQL \$304. QQU: \$322. On 6/14: BVL: QQ: \$85. Best Western Grand Hotel: QQ:\$123. Ruby's QQL: \$139. QQU: \$119. Definitions: QQ=Standard 2 Queen Beds, QQL: Lake View 2 Queens, QQU: Main Lodge D2 Queens. Also includes 12% tax, \$5./night resort fee. **Breakfast is included each day in above pricing at these properties.**



**Note other lodging options in Tropic:** Tropic is 15 miles away from Bryce which is 15-20 minutes driving your Miata. Several of us are staying there. **Bryce Canyon Inn;** 21 N. Main Tropic. 435-679 8502. [info@brycecanyoninn.com](mailto:info@brycecanyoninn.com). We stayed here the past couple years on our Fall Leaf Drives which Roger conducted. Awesome places as they have excellent reviews:

**Bryce Country Cabins;** 280 N. Main, Tropic. **Bryce Canyon Log Cabins** or **Bryce Canyon Country Inn.** **Bryce Canyon Pines Lodge, Bryce Canyon Resort.** Just to name a few. [Be sure to book soon if you're going!](#)



### Summer Ice Cream Social: June Club Meeting by Mike Bailey

Date: Saturday, June 20th. Time: 12:00 Noon. See Page 3 NL.  
Where: Leatherby's Creamery 1872 W. 5400 S. Taylorsville, Utah



We will meet in the private dining room on the west side. Club monthly business will be discussed. We may decide to go on a short drive if the group wishes to do so.

Enjoy Ice Cream or Lunch if you like! Full Menu is Available.



### July 4th Impromptu Drive to Bald Mountain Pass & Mirror Lake: Mike Bailey

When: Saturday, July 4th 2026. Time: 9:30 AM. Place: Mirror Lake Diner, Kamas, UT.



Salt Lakers, Utah County members meet at south end of Fashion Place Mall; parking lot, 6400 S. State, Murray. Drive up Parley's Way to Kamas. Northern members can meet in Kamas at the Mirror Lake Diner; Address: 35 S. Main Street, Kamas, just south of Chevron station where we usually stop. **Breakfast or Lunch here!** Will drive up to Provo River Falls, if busy on to Bald Mtn. Pass and then to Mirror Lake. Drive will officially end there and head own way home.



### Summer Picnic, Elections & Planning Meeting; Utah Miata Club Board of Directors

When: Saturday, July 18, 2026. Time: 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM.

Location: Morgan, Utah Riverside Park; Parkside Bowery #2, 195 E. 125 N. Morgan. Tentatively food provided by Larry's Spring Chicken Inn in Morgan with options on meals to be discussed at the May and June luncheons. Also we'll post a driving route. Salt Lakers will meet at south end of Fashion Place Mall and take I-215 to the Mountain Dell Exit and travel up East Canyon to Morgan. Northerner's can meet in Morgan. More details and times to meet will be posted next month.



**DO NOT MISS THIS PREMIER EVENT OF THE YEAR!**



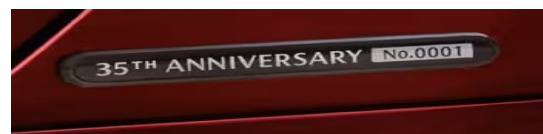
# 35th Anniversary of the Utah Miata Club & the Mazda MX-5 Miata

by Mike Bailey

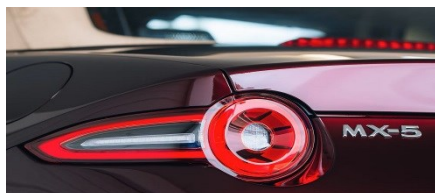
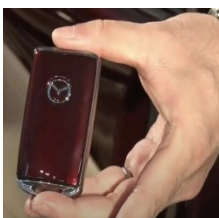


Last Summer was the Mazda Miata's 35th Anniversary and this summer is our Utah Miata Club's 35th Anniversary. To celebrate both anniversaries, we have come up with a new pin design. This pin is similar to our 30th Anniversary pin as I've received so many compliments on how much members have loved that colorful pin.

The new pin will be distributed free to active members this year to help celebrate our anniversary. This pin will feature the 35th Anniversary Miata just under Moab's Delicate Arch and below will be featured the three generations of the Miata: NA, NB and the NC. Our Official Logo will be on top and the 2026 date of our anniversary. The highway road on the pin indicates the many fun roads we have traveled in our Miatas! In addition we will also make the same design in a static cling removable decal.



Information on the 35th Anniversary Miata: The Special Edition paint is an Artesian Metallic Red paint which contains a 3-layer Takuminuri paint process featuring a very high gloss luster. Interior accents are also in this color. The interior features a tan Nappa leather and includes seats of which the headrests feature the 35th Anniversary logo. Tan plush carpet and floor mats as well as a 9 speaker Boze audio system is featured. The rear-view mirror is auto-dimming. Outside is a rear spoiler and the wheels are 17" bright finished alloy wheels. The 35th Anniversary badge with edition number is featured on the front quarter panel on the driver's side. The engine is a 2.0 liter which produces 181 HP and 151 lbs. torque.





# MIATA TIDBITS

by Mike Bailey

## Newsorthy Items from UMC Members



**Spirit Racing 12 R\_NE MX-5 Miata:** Featured article in Motor Trend Magazine about this new Miata that only 200 of them will be produced. A Miata that has 200 HP and will be a very special Miata edition!

**Mazda MX-5 12R: 200HP Stock Miata?** Ever imagined a factory-built Miata boasting 200 horsepower? Mazda has turned that dream into reality with the MX-5 12R, a special-edition roadster that represents the pinnacle of the Miata lineup. Limited to just 200 units and available exclusively in Japan, the MX-5 12R blends Mazda's motorsport expertise with the everyday usability the Miata is known for. The Miata has long been celebrated for its lightweight, balanced driving dynamics rather than sheer power. However, Mazda has faced its share of criticism for its modest engine output. With the 12R, Mazda is stepping up, delivering significant performance upgrades without compromising the charm and nimbleness that make the Miata a legend among enthusiasts.

**Design & Aesthetic Features;** The **MX-5 12R** isn't just about performance, it looks the part too. The exclusive **Aero Gray** paint gives the car a sophisticated yet sporty vibe, complemented by red accents and **Spirit Racing decals** that hint at its motorsport pedigree. A subtle body kit, including a front splitter, side skirts, and a rear spoiler, enhances aerodynamics without making the car look overly aggressive.

Inside, the cabin strikes a perfect balance between comfort and performance. **Alcantara bucket seats** provide excellent support during spirited drives, while optional four-point racing harnesses ensure safety for those planning to hit the track. Despite its racing focus, the 12R retains practical features like air conditioning and an audio system, making it a car you can live with every day.

**Track-Ready Usability;** One of the most impressive things about the **MX-5 12R** is how it balances track performance with everyday usability. Unlike stripped-out race cars, the 12R is designed to handle both the rigors of track driving and the demands of daily life. The adjustable suspension allows drivers to switch between a comfortable street setup and a firmer, more focused track tune. Weighing in at around **2,500 pounds**, the 12R stays true to the Miata's lightweight philosophy. This low curb weight, combined with the upgraded suspension and brakes, ensures that the car remains nimble and engaging even with its modest power bump. Mazda has truly delivered a car that can excel in any setting.

**Background;** The Miata has been a global icon since its debut in 1990. Known for its driver-focused design, rear-wheel drive, and manual transmission, the Miata is all about creating a pure connection between the driver and the road. Weighing in at approximately 2,500 pounds, it's the ultimate expression of "less is more" in a sports car. Enthusiasts have always embraced the Miata for its simplicity and agility, but there has been a lingering desire for more power. Enter the MX-5 12R, developed by **Mazda Spirit Racing**, Mazda's motorsports division. Drawing inspiration from

the **Super Taikyu Endurance Series** in Japan, the 12R combines racing technology with real-world drivability to deliver a car that's as exciting on the road as it is on the track. Continued on next page-





# MIATA TIDBITS

by Mike Bailey

**Newsworthy Items from UMC Members**

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**Performance Enhancements**; At the heart of the **MX-5 12R** is an upgraded **2.0L Skyactiv-G inline-4 engine** that delivers 197 horsepower, a significant boost over the standard Miata's 181 horsepower. Mazda achieved this through several engineering tweaks, including a new camshaft, a revised cylinder head for better airflow, stronger pistons, and an updated exhaust manifold. While torque figures haven't been released, they're expected to be similar to the standard model's 151 lb-ft.

This extra power pairs beautifully with the six-speed manual transmission, offering the precise and engaging gear shifts that Miata drivers love. Beyond the engine, Mazda has focused on handling and braking upgrades. The car features **height-adjustable Bilstein dampers** for customizable performance, additional chassis bracing for improved rigidity, and **Brembo brakes with larger rotors** for enhanced stopping power. Lightweight **forged RAYS wheels** wrapped in high-performance tires complete the package, ensuring the 12R feels sharp and responsive whether on a twisty backroad or a racetrack.

**Exclusivity and Pricing**; Exclusivity is a big part of what makes the **MX-5 12R** special. Mazda is producing only **200 units**, and all of them are reserved for the Japanese market. Priced at **7 million yen** (approximately \$44,329 USD), it's a significant step up from the standard Miata's price tag. However, for a car with bespoke engineering and such limited availability, the price feels justified. Unfortunately for U.S. enthusiasts, there's a catch, the **25-year import rule** means the MX-5 12R won't be legally available in the U.S. until **2050**. This exclusivity only adds to the car's mystique, making it a future collector's item that many will envy but few will own.

**Mazda's Motorsport Vision**; The MX-5 12R isn't just a one-off special edition; it's part of a bigger vision. Through Mazda Spirit Racing, Mazda aims to make motorsports more accessible and fun for enthusiasts. The 12R serves as a showcase of what's possible when Mazda combines its engineering expertise with racing experience.

Looking ahead, the 12R could pave the way for more track-focused Miata trims or even hybrid performance models as Mazda explores electrification. The brand's commitment to innovation ensures that the Miata will remain relevant in a rapidly evolving automotive landscape.

**How It Compares**; The **MX-5 12R** brings significant upgrades compared to the standard ND Miata. It offers more power, better brakes, and improved suspension, all tailored for track performance. Here's how it stacks up: **Engine Power**: 197 hp (12R) vs. 181 hp (standard). **Brakes**: Larger Brembo brakes vs. standard brakes. **Wheels**: Forged RAYS wheels vs. cast wheels. **Price**: \$44,329 USD (12R) vs. ~\$28,985 USD (standard). It is also only a right-hand drive.

For enthusiasts who want a factory-built Miata that's ready for the track, the 12R delivers unmatched performance and reliability, without the hassle of aftermarket modifications.

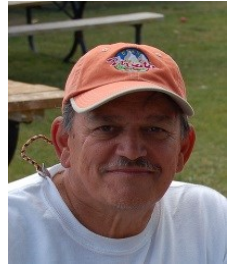


The **Mazda MX-5 12R** is a rare gem that combines the Miata's signature lightweight charm with meaningful performance upgrades. It's a car built for enthusiasts who crave both precision and exclusivity. While its limited availability makes it out of reach for most, the 12R stands as a testament to Mazda's commitment to innovation and driving pleasure. By blending racing pedigree with real-world practicality, Mazda has created a car that's as exhilarating as it is collectible. Whether you're a Miata fan or just love cars that focus on the pure joy of driving, the 12R is something special.

# Fall Event Drive with Texas Bluebonnet Miata Club In Southern Utah

by Mike Bailey

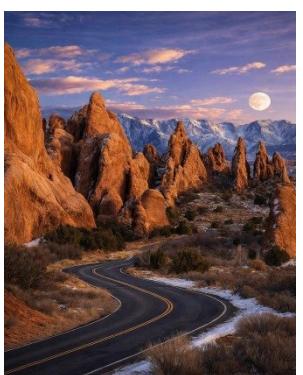
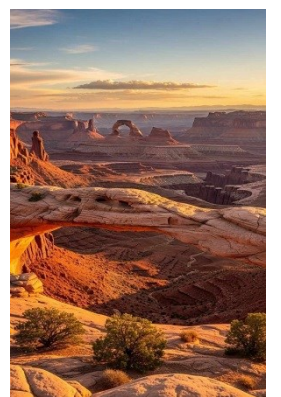
Some of our Miata friends from the Bluebonnet Miata Club are coming to Utah at the end of September this year and would like to hook up with us to see some of our favorite places in Utah, namely some National and /or State Parks. I've agreed to send them some information on some places we've been to before which will highlight what Utah has to offer. Many of them have attended our 'Miatas in Utah' events in the past and we've also been to their 'Texas Miata Round-up'. Their dates to be in Utah are from **Sept. 18-24<sup>th</sup>** with about four days around the Moab area and then to Capitol Reef and then on to Bryce Canyon and also a drive through Zion before they head back home. I'm thinking we could plan our annual Fall Drive around this schedule and also have some fun with these Miata people who many of them I have know for years because of Miata events. Particularly, Craig Martin and George Lucas (who is the Texas club's newsletter editor) are good friends.



**This is the Itinerary of the Texas Club's trip and where they will be on the following days: Friday -Monday, Sept. 18-21: Moab. Tuesday Sept. 24: Capitol Reef NP. Wednesday, Sept. 2: Bryce. National Park. Thursday, Sept. 26: Zion NP.** They are then headed to Page and back home.



I have received some rates from Bryce on their rooms. Working on rates for Moab from my contacts there. Ruby's Inn for the Main Lodge; Two Queen Beds which are the higher end rooms: \$290.00/ night. Other option is to stay in Tropic: See info on the Dark Sky Night event for hotel options. Prices less money than at Bryce. I will have pricing on this for next newsletter and will also post on our club's Facebook page.



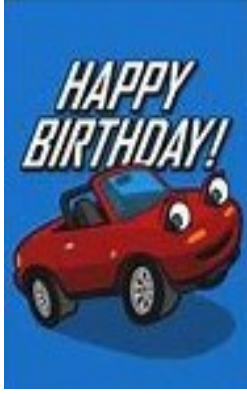
Enjoy these photos of Utah Miata Club's May's Birthdays



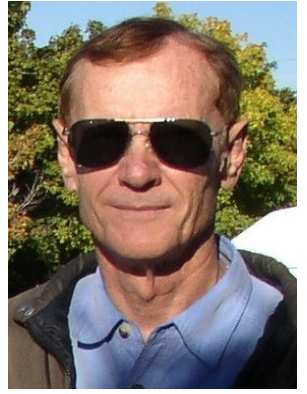
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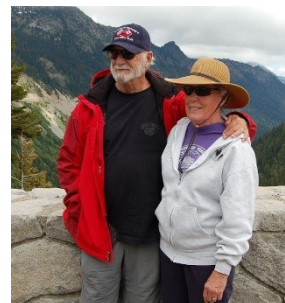
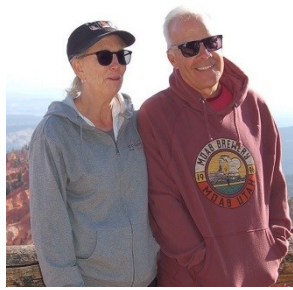
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Monthly Birthday Celebrations at UMC Luncheons

Monthly Door Prize Give-Aways

Photos not Available: Atheo Bassett, Scott Hadley, Akee Mansouri

Below Birthday Members at UMC events:



# New Utah Miata Club Logo Apparel & Merchandise

by Mike Bailey



**Hats/Ball Caps: Structured, Unstructured Soft-Caps, Military Style Caps**

**Logos:** Miata Car Image with color options on Miata. Miata Adventure Hats.

“Long Live the Roadster”. UMC Official logo on any color hat. Hats with USA Flag on the bill. Racing Flames hats! Mountains Logo with color of your Miata.

“Miata” script type font. First original UMC Star with Miata Logo! Miata American Flag Script type font. “Miataitude” font hats. \$20.00—\$30.00 depending on design.



**New for Summer!** Straw or Cotton Sun Hats with Brim and String Tie; Bucket or Floppy Hats: Prices vary on material and style however very affordable. Or bring or buy your own! Club / MX-5 Logo.

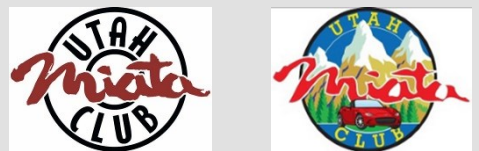


**Denim or Cotton Jackets or Light-weight Windbreaker Jackets or Vests.** I can get them for you or provide your own. Large UMC Official Logo (or Mountains) Embroidery or Miata Script font. Name on them if you like and also “Miata” font on Sleeve.



**Club Logo Miata Car Magnets!**

Official or Mountains Logo with color of your Miata! \$25./set of 2.



# 2026 Calendar of Events

**May 9th:** Luncheon: Sizzler; 11:30; Drive Alpine: See Pg. 2 NL: Mike & Lynn Bailey

**June 6th:** Rat Fink Reunion Drive; 9:30; See Pg. 5 NL: Steve & Ronda Beckstead

**June 11-13:** Dark Sky Observation /Starry Night; Bryce Canyon: See Pg. 6 NL.

Photography: Ken Jaworski & Robert Mechling. Book Rooms Now!

**June 20th:** Luncheon: Ice Cream at Leatherby's 12:00 Noon; Pg. 3 NL: Mike & Lynn Bailey

**July 4th:** Impromptu Drive: Mirror Lake Hwy. B/F / Early lunch—Mirror Lake Diner-Kamas

See Pg. 7 NL: Mike & Lynn Bailey

**July 18th:** Summer Picnic; 1:00– 3:00 PM; Election & Planning Meeting; Riverside Park / Parkside Bowery #2, 195 E. 215 N., Morgan, Utah; UMC Board of Directors-Pg 7 NL

**August 8th:** Mt. Nebo Loop Drive: Luncheon (TBD): Mike & Kelly Thompson

**September 12th:** Need Location & Member to Suggest and/or Plan.

**September 18th-24th:** Fall Drive with Texas Miata Club, Moab / Bryce: See Pg. 11 NL

**October 10th:** Need Location & Member to Suggest and/or Plan.

**November 14th:** Need Location & Member to Suggest and/or Plan.

**December 12th:** Annual Christmas Party: Edison Events; 6:00 PM: UMC Board

**PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU WANT TO PLAN OR LEAD A DRIVE OR ACTIVITY-**



Photo taken at White Sands NP in New Mexico on our Great South West Adventure trip in Sept. 2014



Editor's Message; We'd like to have UMC members come up with some ideas for possible places for monthly luncheons and drives for our 2025 Calendar. **Refer to open spots on above calendar.** You can just suggest, plan it and/or lead it. On lunch places we prefer somewhere with a private room or area so we can conduct our monthly meeting. Also we need to be able to pay for lunch by couples instead of a group. Also please let us know of some local drives or places you'd like to see or visit. We also like to do a few 'overnighters' or weekend trips. Please send your ideas to either the President or another officer or director or to me, the Newsletter Editor. We hope that all members will be active in club activities. **This is YOUR CLUB so please help us with plan.**



CANDID CAMERA PHOTOS OF THE UTAH MIATA CLUB MEMBERS. SEND ME YOUR FAVORITE PHOTOS OF ANY MEMBERS TO INCLUDE HERE. THANK YOU FOR LETTING US TAKE YOUR PHOTO! TRY TO GUESS WHEN AND WHERE THESE PHOTOS WERE TAKEN, IF NOT MENTIONED.



MIKE & ALIEANA—GWSA—2014



FOUR DUDES—GWSA ROAD TRIP—2014



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LYNN & MIKE, MT. NEBO LOOP 2024



UMC ON ALPINE LOOP DRIVE 2010



KELLY THOMPSON



BECKSTEADS IN MIATALAND—OCT. 2025



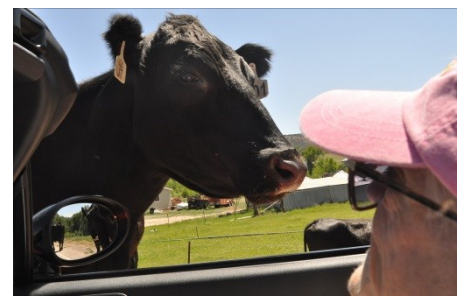
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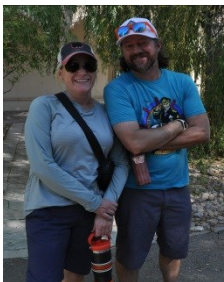
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BIRTHDAY'S: SUMMER 2025



LYNN, COW—2025 WOLF CREEK DR.



RACHEL, JASON WOODS STEVE, AMY—AUG. 2025



BUDD, DENISE—2025



UMC GROUP ON BURR TRAIL— 2018 DRIVE

