



The Convertible Chronicles of the Utah Miata Club

May Drive



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The Journey is the Destination

By: Mark Vaughn, President

Whoa, here it is June already, half way through the year. The year seems to be going quickly but the best time for Miata journeys lies ahead of us. Susan and I are really looking forward to exploring far western Canada with Miata friends. The trip gets going on June 22nd. Presently planning a starting point somewhere in Centerville.

As announced at the last club meeting, the club directors met and unanimously agreed for the club to sponsor and host Miatas in Moab 6 in May of 2020. Car rallies like this are great opportunities to renew or make new friendships of Miata owners that come from other parts of the country. Miatas in Moab 6 in 2020 will also be something special as we can also be celebrating thirty years of Miata fun, it's the 30 year anniversary of the Miata MX-5. The next two years will be a interesting journey for the club as we develop, plan, and host Miatas in Moab 6 (MIM6). The first official planning meeting for MIM6 is Wednesday June 13th, 7pm at Mark and Susan Vaughn's home.

As always, whether it is rain or shine, daylight or dark, top up or down, in a Miata MX-5 the journey is the destination.



June Meeting and Luncheon and Meeting

Where: 180 S Coleman Tooele, UT (See below for help in finding the place)

When: June 2, 11:30

Notes: This is a bring your own lunch to eat outside with a drive to follow. Below is a chart for finding foods in Tooele for your taste.

Drive: A drive up Johnson Pass is planned.

EAST SIDE

Popeyes & Pitstop
Apollo Burger
LosCharritos
Zaxbys
Dickeys

Mc Donalds & Osaka Sushi
American Burger
Subway

TNT BBQ Truck
Taco Time
Arbys

Hot Diggy Dawg stand

NOTES

Pitstop has good wraps and dutchman cookies you must turn at the light and go behind Popeyes to get to it

Osaka Sushi is the first store front in the Macey's complex area. They say Macey's sushi is very good too.

TNT also has mac & cheese you can top anyway you like

Hot Dawg cart location varies but usually at Steadmans or Chartway Credit Union both on the East side...they say the coke infused Onions are to die for

WEST SIDE

Burger King
Carls Jr.
Cafre Rio
Costa Veda
Panda Express

Wendys
KFC/Taco Bell

Tacos Tooele Truck (CASH ONLY)
Little Caesars
Hunan Village

LDS Church Pavillion is at 180 S Coleman

Turn on 200 S & it will take you straight to the church....this road has several intersection DIPS if you aren't sure your car will take it well I suggest turning on Vine St and then left on to S. Coleman or take 400 S and then R on to S. Coleman

Birthdays & Memberships

Expiring Soon

AMY BECKSTEAD	6/30/2018
JAMES FELIZ	6/30/2018
CHUCK & DIANNE GRAHAM	6/30/2018
ROBERT & GALE KLINSHAW	6/30/2018
HANK & REXANNE POND	6/30/2018

Removed From Roster

DON BLUMENTHAL	2/28/2018
KARLEEN CALLAHAN	2/28/2018
SANDRA CHRISTENSEN	2/28/2018
JEAN GLINES	2/28/2018

New Members

RONALD E. & JACQUELINE E. WARRINER	2018 RF	RED
DREW & LISA WILSON	2013	RED
JAMES & SHANA BULLOUGH	2010	COPPER RED
PAUL & CINDY ASHCRAFT	2016	SOUL RED



Membership Expired

GASTON CIZINSKY	3/31/2018
WILLY & LINDA GELACH	5/31/2018
MICHAEL & FRANCIS HUTTON	4/30/2018
RICK & DAYNA KISER	5/31/2018
SPENCER MANN	5/31/2018
MARK & DEBBIE SHACKELFORD	4/30/2018
JEFF WIGHT	5/31/2018

BILL ANDERSON	24 Jun
JIM BICKLEY	26 Jun
JANET CICHOCKI	7 Jun
CHRISTY HEADEY	3 Jun
KENT HOUSLEY	23 Jun
SHAUNA MILGATE	2 Jun
JEFF MOON	19 Jun
ROBERT OLSEN	18 Jun
HANK POND	14 Jun
LORI STEED	30 Jun
SPENCE WOOD	28 Jun

Membership Dues Reminder

If you wish to renew your membership, and we hope you will, please give or send a check to Club Treasurer, Margie Newson, for the appropriate amount. It is \$25 if you have the newsletter e-mailed to you or \$45 if you would like a hard copy sent by standard mail. A Dual Membership (for yourself *and* a spouse, sibling or significant other) is \$35. You can also pay your dues online with PayPal on our website; www.utahmiataclub.org. This method is \$27 (to cover PayPal fees). If mailing a check, please send to: 233 West 1550 North, Bountiful, Utah 84010. Make your check payable to the Utah Miata Club. Margie can also be contacted by phone at 801-295-4563 or by e-mail at sec.treasmc@icloud.com.

July Breakfast and Raspberry shake run

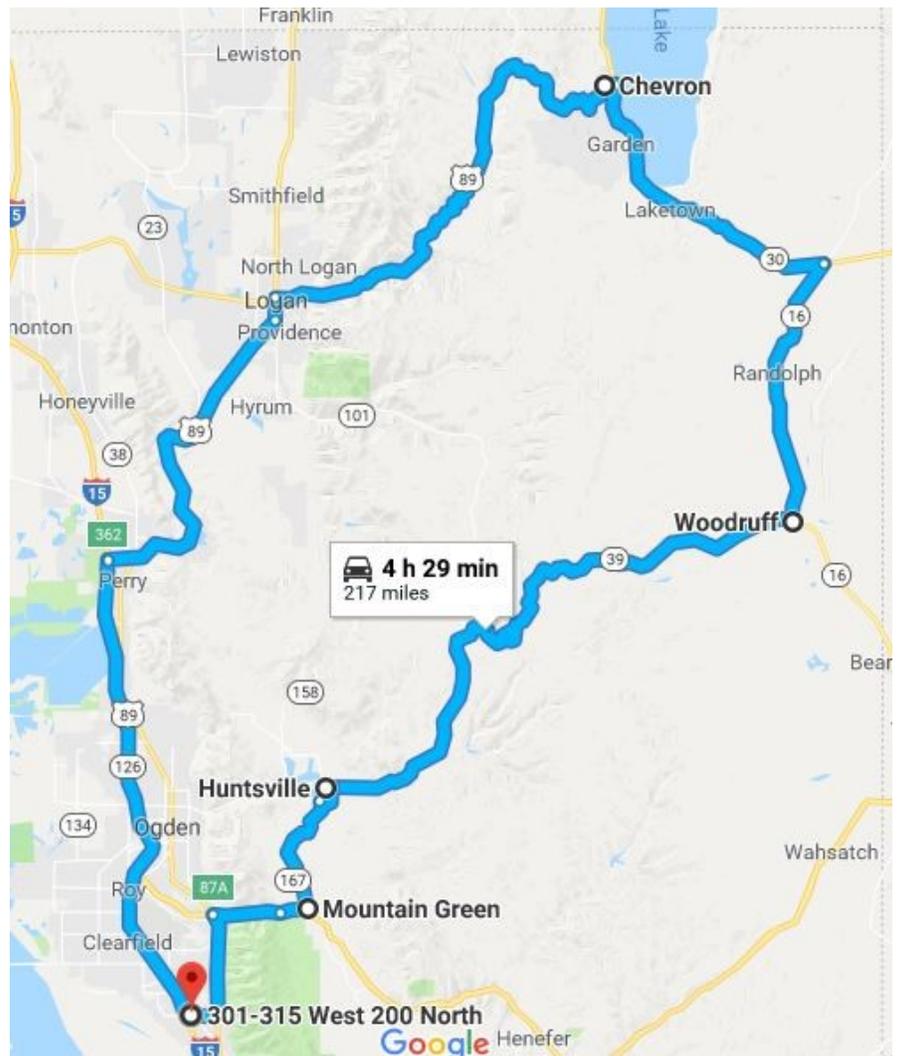
by Steve Beckstead

Saturday, July 7th at 10am (Tentative)

Restaurant to be determined (Kaysville, Layton?)

Okay, convertible people, our monthly meeting for July will be on the 7th probably at 10am. After all the talking is done, let's get down to why we bought these cars, a nice LONG SCENIC drive! We'll go up through Logan Canyon to Garden City. By then we'll be craving a shake made with those famous Bear Lake raspberries (or other flavor if you wish). We'll repeat Hank Pond's idea of the Chevron gas station which was much less crowded and every bit as delicious as the "other place" we've been to. Then we'll hit the road south to Woodruff and across the twisty Monte Cristo drive to Huntsville. This is a 4.5 hours drive not counting stops, but it is summer so let's do a nice top down unhurried drive! I have not found a breakfast place yet, so bring any ideas to the June meeting PLEASE.

I'm handling the drive, but not so familiar with restaurants up North. It would be nice to start and end somewhere in the Layton or Kaysville area.



New Club Magnet Designs

by Mike Bailey

If you don't have your Club Magnets for this year's Summer Driving, be sure to get a set. New this year are club magnets featuring the ND or 4th Generation Miata. We have options of the Ragtop or the RF version. They come with the color of your Miata on the Mountains Logo Version. Also available is the standard Official Logo as well as the NC versions offered previously. Get them through the club MiataWear Man, Mike Bailey. Either email me or call for a set. Each set of two are \$25.00 per set. Phone: 801-597-1456

Zoom - Zoom Hope we can all have a good summer of 'top-down' driving.



May Luncheon-Drive Report

by Mike Bailey

We had a great luncheon last month for *Cinco de Mayo* at the Southwestern Cantina Grill at Jordan Commons in Sandy. It was well attended by our members with 30-something in attendance. We also had a couple new members join, Drew and Lisa Wilson and Jim and Marilyn Bickley whom we have not seen too much of, came out to join us. We had Mexican food to celebrate the holiday and if one ordered a beer it came with a little Mexican blanket over the top of the beer bottle. Our Birthday people were honored this month with the opportunity of smacking a *piñata* full of candy. It was real fun to watch, especially Ronda Beckstead, Rexanne Pond and Marilyn Bickley take their try. Todd Christopher was our other birthday person in attendance. The door prizes were also great this month as the Vaughn's gave as prizes a couple of Miatas at Laguna Seca 2017 Special Edition ball caps. Lynn and Karen both won one. After our lunch we took a drive up Big Cottonwood Canyon for a short drive. It was a little chilly up there as snow was still in the mountains and on the ground. It was a fun day with fun people. Hope to see everyone out to Tooele's drive and lunch sponsored by Steve and Kathy Nielsen next month.





Member Spotlight

by Doyle Sturm



Hello Members, I have asked Lou and Carol Lynn Vredeveld for articles the last couple of months and it was explained that the member selected did not wish to participate. We know that people have the choice not to do so but in order to get to know the people, for me just to remember their name, it is important to participate. As a matter of fact past newsletters published on the website have information about people if you wish to browse.



2018 Calendar of Events

(Submitted and updated by Steve Beckstead)

- June 2nd**: Monthly lunch and meeting (Tooele LDS Pavilion bring your own) – Steve and Kathy
- June 22nd**: Mark and Susan's 2 Week Canadian Adventure – Vaughns for Info
- July 7th**: Monthly lunch and meeting (Kaysville Lunch TBD) – Bear Lake Raspberry run (Steve)
- August 4th**: Monthly lunch and meeting (Probably Mark and Susan's home) – Mark Vaughn
- September 8th**: Annual Picnic/Meeting (Morgan Park) – BBQ Food (Jim)
- September 20th**: Hot Lava Event (Hood River, OR) – Mount Hood Miata Club
- September 28th**: Eric and Kathy's Torrey Weekend Scenic Drive (3 Days) – Kankainens
- October 6th**: Monthly lunch and meeting (Location TBD) – Mark Vaughn
- October 11th**: 2018 Texas Miata roundup (Lone Star Miata Club) – Mike Bailey Info
- November 3rd**: Monthly lunch and meeting (Location TBD) – Mark Vaughn
- December 8th**: Christmas Party with Utah Miata Club (Location and Date Tentative)

Exploring Far Western Canada

Taking your Miata on a cruise by: Mark and Susan Vaughn

For further details please check out the posting on our website: www.utahmiataclub.org



The Great Canadian Adventure, Part 2
by Susan Vaughn

Exploring Far Western Canada...
Taking your Miata on a cruise...

This Miata adventure explores western Canada via Mount Rainer National Park in the state of Washington. The United States will be left via ferry from Port Angeles, Washington, to Victoria, British Columbia. The adventure will continue to the northern end of Vancouver Island to Port Hardy, British Columbia. A second ferry ride of 318 miles will begin from Port Hardy through the inside passage to Prince Rupert, British Columbia. From Prince Rupert, the adventure will wind its way back to the United States at Grand Forks, British Columbia, at the Washington State border.

Total estimated driving miles: 3,276
Total ferryboat miles: 340
This trip does require a current passport.
Travel Dates: June 22nd through July 4th, 2018

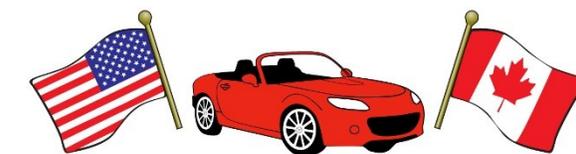
If you are interested, please contact Mark and Susan Vaughn for further information.



Shirts and Hats for the Canada Trip

Please note that the Front of all shirts will feature the Event Logo on the front left chest like we usually do. This will be screen printed. The Polos will only have the logo on the front and not the back. All the T-Shirts whether short and/or long sleeve will have a full size logo of the Event Route Map on the back. Same will be for any Sweat Shirts you may have ordered. The Hats will be like the last Canada event with logo similar to attached with event name on it. The hats will be embroidered.

We cannot do any dark Polos or Tee's for this trip because we will be using Red, Blue and Black inks on the shirts and they will not show up on dark colored shirts. The Vaughn's have chosen a light green, Mint or Pistachio Green for the color of the Polo shirts. Those who ordered these colors of green are OK. The Irish Green should be OK, but it is also a little on the darker side. The Heater Irish Green is lighter and is OK and would be a better choice. For those who ordered the light colored shirts you are ok with them unless you want to switch to the color the Vaughn's chose.



Miata Canada Adventure II
June 22 - July 4, 2018



MIATA CANADA ADVENTURE II
"EXPLORING FAR WEST CANADA"

JUNE, 2018



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Fall for New England: Sept. 2019

by Mike Bailey

The **MASS Miata Club**, located in the Boston, MA. area is hosting the **"Fall for New England II" event September 19-22, 2019**. I know this is a year and a half away but it is guaranteed to be an excellent, not-to-miss event. Just ask Donn and Janet Cichocki from our club. The Fall leaves and the countryside is spectacular. It would be the longest trip taken in the history of the Utah Miata Club in our Miatas (Viking River Cruise to Europe excluded as we didn't drive our Miatas there). It will be a very fun road trip. Those of us who have been back east to experience the backroads and twisties know what I am talking about.

The **Host Hotel is the Westford Regency** in Westford, MA. **They are now accepting reservations for this event.** The cost is \$135.00 per night, a good price for the Boston area. Be sure to **book your room for 4 days, from Sept. 18-21, 2019 (checking out the 22nd).** **Phone 988-692-8200.** Your credit card will only hold your room. They will *not* run your card. If you need to cancel for any reason you can do so up until the day before. To view the Westford Regency's website go to <http://www.westfordregency.com>. Just an FYI; the MASS Miata Club is limiting the registrations for the event to 150 Miatas. 40 have already booked rooms in the first 2 days, so this event and the hotel will sell out quickly. **Book your Room Now!** As of this writing about 11 Utah couples have already booked a room and registered for the event. **Fall For New England II REGISTRATION NOW OPEN.....**The Registration is up on the Mass Club web site. **To Register for the event go to:** <https://ffne2.massmiata.net/>

You won't want to miss this event. Plan on about a 2 week or so trip to drive out there and back. We will be planning several route options to discuss at a later date. Donn is keeping us in the loop on this by club Facebook posts and emails to us. Thanks Donn for doing this.

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Candid Camera

by Mike Bailey

All the Candid Camera photos are taken on several of our trips. Hope you can guess which ones they are. We will be doing some of these trips again to relive some experiences and have new memories as well. Some are group photos and some candid photos of members on some of these trips. Photos are from Bear Lake, Utah drive, Canada I trip, Surf 'n Safari trip to California, and the Pike's Peak Colorado trip. Photos from years 2015 & 2016 events.

