



## The Convertible Chronicles of the Utah Miata Club



Two fires destroyed Saltair, first one in 1931 and other in November 1970. Resort closed 1958 & during WWII.

Giant Racer at old Saltair

Images of the original Saltair, built on 5/31/1893 and closed 11/01/1970.

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Remnants of pilings from old Saltair

### From The Top Down by: Robert Mechling

Did anyone get to "This Is The Place" State Park after our June 3rd luncheon? Sharon and I got scared away with the rain and hail. It would have been a good Ghost & Legends site for sure.

Wednesday, June 21, 2023 at 8:57 AM, was the summer solstice, the longest day of the year. Every year on the summer solstice, I relive a childhood experience. My family spent the day at Saltair - the washboard slide in the funhouse, the boardwalk, the bumper cars, the sounds, the colors, the smells, all come back - I remember being told "NO" your're too small to ride the giant racer. Then on the way home, riding on the Garfield & Western railway (from Saltair to SLC Fairground station) my dad told me that it was the "longest day of the year". At the time I didn't understand why one day was longer than another, but I was sure glad that I spent the longest day at Saltair. That's probably why I remember the experience. Speaking of Garfield & Saltair, check out this month's article on our Ghost and Legends overnight trip through Boxelder County. Yes, we plan to stop at Garfield and the old Saltair sites in September. Also, the old Saltair Resort is certainly a 'Legend' in Utah!



At the July Planning and Election meeting (note the time - 2:00 pm). I plan to ask if any one has had an experience with "Ghost & Legends" that they would like to share? As it's a contest to see who can visit the most Ghost Towns, don't divulge how many you've visited. I'll share one experience later in this newsletter. Don't forget that Dinner will be provided by the club after the Planning and Election meeting. Check out the calendar for upcoming activities, like the Beartooth Highway, our weekend overnighter at the Bryce Country Cabins in Tropic, Utah, and the Annular Solar Eclipse the middle of October in Richfield, etc.

I can't believe it's been a year (my last "From Top Down")  
Robert



# UMC July Summer Picnic, Elections & Planning Meeting

**Date & Time:** Saturday, July 8th, 2:00 PM Dinner Served at 4:00 PM

**Location:** LDS Church Pavilion (Pavilion is behind the church building)

**Address:** 6410 South 725 East Murray 84107 (a couple blocks west of Wheeler Farm)

Our Annual Summer Picnic is the second weekend of this month. We have brought back the 'South of the Border' Food Truck again for this year, as we have been very pleased with the quality of their food and service! The food is provided and paid for by the club. We just want all the members to enjoy this day and time together. We are mixing it up this year and will hold the Election and Planning meeting first, then we can relax and enjoy our food and visiting after (food truck service at approximately 4:00 p.m.). Shared desserts are welcome!

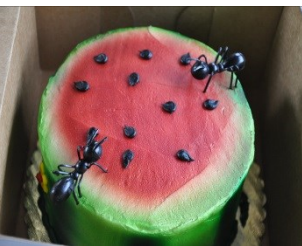
We will start the July meeting off by discussing our monthly calendar and upcoming events for next several months. Then we will have the elections and nominate new club officers. Please nominate or self-nominate if so inclined to be a club officer. Positions include President, Vice President, and two of the three Directors. The club positions are quite easy to fulfill and do not require any experience but only a desire to help and be more involved with the club. It also does not require much time on a monthly basis. Past and experienced members will help you with the position!

After the elections, the general calendar for activities and drives is set for the coming 12 months. Please bring your ideas for drives, activities and even for an overnigher adventure. Everything begins with an idea or suggestion. Everyone's input is requested.

The picnic is held in Murray behind a church that will afford us privacy and a large enough venue that we won't need to share with anyone else. This is the same location as last couple of year's picnics. This location will have running water and bathroom facilities as well.

*No drive is planned for this day, as we will be handling club business while enjoying good food and company.*

Thanks to Steve Beckstead for arranging this event the past few years!



### 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. **A Dual Membership (for yourself and a spouse, sibling or significant other) is \$35, and \$25 for Single, and includes the newsletter e-mailed to you, or \$45 if you would like a hard copy sent by standard mail.** 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.treasumc@icloud.com.

### Birthdays / Memberships

#### New Members



NAME	YEAR	COLOR
RICHARD & MELISSA CHESTER	2020	WHITE PEARL RF
LUKE & CHEVONNE DAWSON	2023	WHITE

NAME	DATE
ROSEANN WHITAKER	1 Jul
CLAUDE BROWN	6 Jul
RICHARD LEE	9 Jul
BELINDA FIERRO	10 Jul
VALERIE FRANCIS	14 Jul
JASON WOODS	15 Jul
MARK REILLY	22 Jul
VICTORIA HENSHEW	23 Jul

#### Expiring Soon: \$35 Dual / \$25 Single

NAME	EXPIRING
JOSH & TONYA ASHMENT	7/31/2023
BRET & ROXANNE BAGLEY	7/31/2023
ALI BAZZAZ	7/31/2023
TYLER & SHAREE BECKSTEAD	7/31/2023
DONN & JANET CICHOCKI	7/31/2023
JIM & MARGIE NEWSON	7/31/2023
DOMINIC OLIVER	7/31/2023
JASON & RACHEL WOODS	7/31/2023

#### Memberships Expired:

NAME	EXPIRED
GEORGE AYALA	5/31/2023
KAY BARRELL	4/31/2023
RAYMOND BEA	6/30/2023
CLAUDE & ERLINE BROWN	5/31/2023
ROGER & PERLY HEATH	6/30/2023
LARRY & MACEY KNIGHT	6/30/2023

#### Removed From Roster

NAME	EXPIRED
ELMER JORDAN	3/31/2023
ZAKE SNOUNOU	3/31/2023



### Club Officers (July 2022-July 2023)

President: Robert Mechling Vice President: Joey Fowler Secretary: Jim Newson Treasurer: Margie Newson  
 Directors: Roger Heath, Ronda Beckstead, Susan Christiansen Newsletter Editor: Mike Bailey, Assistant: Val F.

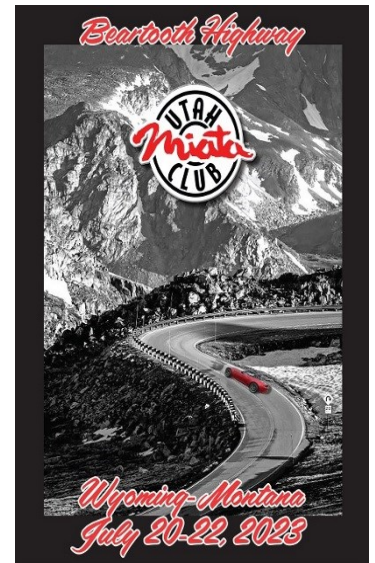
# Beartooth Highway UMC Miata Trip: July 20-23 by Roger Heath

Our exciting 3 day long weekend trip to the Beartooth Highway is in less than 3 weeks. We will cruise along the Teton Mountain Range in Wyoming and twice through Yellowstone National Park. The main drive will be one of America's most thrilling and scenic drives —the *Beartooth Highway*. We will stay over night in Afton, WY, Cody WY. and West Yellowstone, MT. with an afternoon in Yellowstone National Park. Everyone who originally booked the Red Lodge Motel in MT. should have cancelled their reservation and booked in Cody instead. Red Lodge is providing cancellations via email. We have a couple of out of state Miata folks joining us on this adventure.

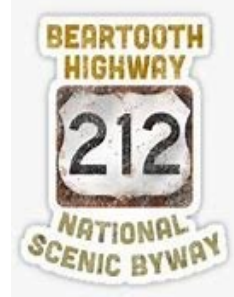
If you would like an Event T-Shirt or Car Magnets, please order them through Mike Bailey. Deadline is by July 5th. Cost details in previous month's newsletters. **This will be an exciting trip! ZOOM ZOOM**



Shirt Front Left Chest  
Event Car Magnets



Large on Shirt Back



## ELECTION & PLANNING MEETING REMINDER:

Reminder to Vote for a new Club President & Vice President & 2 Director positions at the Annual Elections & Planning Meeting at our Summer Party on July 8, 2023. Duties were posted on Page 11 in the May Newsletter. Please think of whom you would like to nominate for these positions or considering running

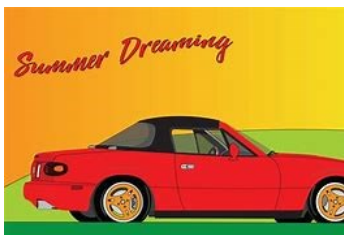


# June Luncheon Report by Mike Bailey

June's luncheon at Leatherby's Family Creamery was excellent, as it usually is. The ice cream is always delicious! Some had sandwiches while others, including myself, had only ice cream. Those with large appetites had both! Sabrina and Joey brought their new 6-month old granddaughter and everyone loved seeing her! Robert conducted our meeting and talked about upcoming events and drives. Gordy described his September drive for the 'Ghosts and Legends' event to the northwest corner of Utah, where most all of us have never driven there before. Linda gave out the June birthday awards and we had a couple monthly prize drawings, which are always fun!



Next we talked about the drive route to 'This is The Place' state park for the June drive. However as soon as we mentioned it, the weather turned very bad and it started hailing very hard. Our Miatas in the parking lot were getting pounded and I was afraid of mine getting dents from the quarter size hail. Then it started raining real bad and large dark clouds were forming over Taylorsville area. Needless to say we decided to cancel the drive as it would have been terrible walking around the park area in the rain. I'm not sure if some still went up there, but as for Lynn and I, we just headed home. Below are some of the photos at the luncheon. Thanks to everyone for coming out as we had lots of fun conversations. If anyone went to the Park please let me know and send photos.



## Miata Tales by Ken Jaworski

Once upon a time there was a 2001 Miata Special Edition named **YGROWUP** that had 149,000 miles on the odometer. While her name suggested nothing could go wrong by staying young.....there was a disaster just waiting to happen.



OKAY so much for fairy tales. When this light comes on or lights up on your dash, be warned something serious is about to happen.

We were headed out for a 7-day trip to Lake Powell, Page, Flagstaff, Sedona, Lake Mead, Mesquite, St. George, Cedar City, Delta, Tooele, and back home to Park City. Well, we got to Page, AZ when this pesky little light came on. I headed for the O'Reilly's that we passed when we went to dinner. They put their tester on the battery (underneath a well overly packed trunk) and said battery, alternator, and starter were in fine shape. That light was not on when they did their test, but it came on again when we headed to the motel.

Let's get something straight right now! Have you ever told your sweetheart of 55 years of marriage that your vacation has just ended before it even began. Just think about it!!

The next morning we were headed back to Park City. Ohhhh! The light was not on....did I make a mistake!! False Alarm.....NOT!! It came on and stayed on. We got about 20 miles north of Panguitch, Utah when all hell broke lose. From 65 mph to zero in a matter of 300 yards thru an intersection of Hwy 89 and Hwy 20 to a layby across the highway from a Sinclair gas station and quick shop. All the gauges stopped working including the tachometer while we jerked to a halt. Needless to say we ended up in Park City on a flatbed trailer at 11:00PM. (courtesy of Jeff Durrant).

The next day I was on YouTube diagnosing my situation. There are many and I mean many video's to watch including Miata's. Out comes the VOM and I started to test the battery (in a now empty trunk). The voltage was less than 12.0 vdc with the engine running. Now the DIY kicks in. Yup, the alternator is on the right side of the engine under all that plastic piping from the air filter to the intake manifold (see the white circled area of the engine compartment left pix). On a closer examination you can actually see it (see the white circle on the right pix).

The one check besides the voltage would be to see if the auxiliary belt is tight and turning the alternator when the engine is running. It was! I'm not going to go thru the complete re-

placement procedure because YouTube does a good job of that. BUT, I will give you a final warning about the installation. When you put on the battery cable to the alternator make sure you have the wires going straight up towards the engine block. Why might you ask? Because the stabilizing bracket that goes to the inlet manifold is directly behind the alternator and you will have to completely remove the alternator to reposition those wires. Don't ask why I know??



The arrow on this pix shows the direction required of the wires to prevent being blocked by the stabilizing bracket (red rectangle) directly behind and I do mean directly behind the alternator.



The old expression of "if it ain't broke, don't touch it" might not apply to a Miata with 149,000 miles on the odometer. Yes, the timing belt was replaced at 100,000 miles because the Owner's Manual said so.

Moral of this story is \_\_\_\_\_, you fill in the blanks. I'm still in the dog house!



# Flyin' Miata Summer Camp by: Valerie Francis

So, Doyle and I did a thing... Last minute, we signed up for the **Flyin' Miata Summer Camp in Palisade CO**. We went there Friday June 9th – Sunday, June 11, coming home on Monday. This has been on Doyle's bucket list and now he can finally check this off.

Full disclosure: this event is geared towards Miata techies, heavy on technical lectures during the Saturday itinerary. Of course, Doyle really enjoyed the Saturday lectures, but I also had a great time and maybe learned a thing or two about Miatas.

Here's what we did: We drove down Friday, arriving mid-afternoon to watch Miatas race at the Grand Junction Motor Speedway. It was exciting watching (and hearing) Miatas with V-8 and other super engines, improved performance engines, and even stock engines run the track for personal best times. Friday evening, we (along with another 50+ Miatas) took a Sunset drive over Colorado National Monument. I don't know which was more beautiful; the canyon or the line of Miatas.



Saturday included a car show, lectures, a catered lunch and BBQ dinner, and an awards ceremony. The lecture topics covered Aerodynamics, Suspension Bushings, new Flyin' Miata Products, and a Special Announcement. Boring to non-techie me, right??? Well actually, I enjoyed the lecture on aerodynamics but knew that the bushings topic might put me to sleep so I headed outdoors for a walk. Lucky for me, Flyin' Miata is located in the countryside amongst orchards and wineries with fantastic views of Grand Mesa Mountain and other natural features. I enjoyed my walk along the country road, stopping in at a couple of wineries and a lavender farm/store.

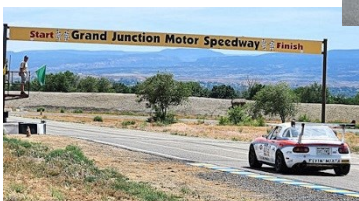
There were approximately 60 Miatas in attendance with about 50% entered in the car show. The categories were Favorite NA, NB, NC, ND. **No surprise to me, Doyle's 2005 Lava Orange Mazdaspeed (formally owned by Mike and Lynn Bailey) won the NB award!**



On Sunday, 30+ Miatas showed up for our wonderful drive over Grand Mesa, the world's largest flat top mountain. Several Miatas peeled off along the way to head home with the rest of us saying goodbye back at Flyin' Miata. Doyle and I spent the rest of the afternoon touring Palisade wineries and downtown Grand Junction.

**Flyin' Miata**

Flyin' Miata put on a really great event, and it was enjoyable visiting with them and lots of other Miata owners. Again, it is a "tech heavy" event but I too was able to have a wonderful time learning, exploring the beautiful countryside, wine tasting, and meeting lots of like-minded Miata enthusiasts!



## Northwest 'Ghosts & Legends' September Trip by Gordy Nicholl

Let's do a Ghost and Legends Loop through the Northwest corner of Utah (Box Elder County). Just after the Labor Day weekend and after the summer's heat.

**September 6th & 7th, that's Wednesday and Thursday, with an overnight stay in West Wendover. on the 6th, most likely at the Montego Bay Hotel. Details to follow later on booking hotel.**

Let's meet for Lunch (TBD - SLC) at 11:30 am. After lunch ~ 1:00 pm we'll pick up the itinerary as follows: **Note: There will be some dirt roads.**

### September 6th:

From Lunch, we'll head West to **Garfield Utah - Ghost Town**

Option 1 Via UT201 West to UT202 Northwest over I-80 to the stop sign ~19 miles 20 miles.

Option 2 Via I-80 West to Exit 104 - West to the stop sign ~19 miles 20 miles.

The Garfield & Black Rock Beach Monuments are on the south side of the intersection.

From the Garfield stop sign - take Saltair Drive - North - 2.3 miles to the Old Saltair Site,

Back to I-80 interchange Exit 104 - 2.3 miles.

Then West on I-80 - To **Delle Utah - Ghost Town** - 35 miles 31 minutes.

Then West on I-80 - To West Wendover - 72 miles 61 minutes.

Overnight (Sep 6th) West Wendover (Check In - Gas up Miatas - R&R - Dinner, Party).

Sep 6th totals ~123 miles 1 Hr. 50 min drive time + stops.



**September 7th:** After breakfast - departure time 9:00 am. It's going to be a long day - bring snacks and drinks.

Head West on I-80 - To Oasis Nevada - 32 miles 30 minutes.

Then Northeast on NV 233 - To Montello Nevada (rest stop/gas) - 23 Miles 20 min.

Continue Northeast on NV 223 then UT 30 - To the Lucin turn off - 19 miles 20 min.

Turn Right/South at the Lucin turn off - dirt road - 5.7 miles 15 minutes.

Arrive - **Lucin Ghost Town** - back to UT 30 - 5.7 miles 15 minutes.



Cross UT 30 - continue North - dirt road - to Grouse Creek - 30 miles 40 minutes.

**Grouse Creek** (rest stop/gas) **not a Ghost Town but a Legend** - just need to see it.

Return to UT 30 from Grouse Creek - 30 miles 40 minutes.



East on UT 30 - To **Rosette - Ghost Town** - 51 miles 60 minutes.

Continue East on UT 30 - To **Park Valley - Ghost Town** - 4 miles 4 minutes.

From Park Valley turn south - **Russian Cemetery/Ghost Town** - dirt road - 7.21 miles 15 minutes.

Russian Cemetery - Return to Park Valley - 7.21 miles 15 minutes.

Continue East on UT 30 - To Kelton turnoff - 10 miles 10 minutes.

At Kelton Road turn south to - **Kelton Ghost Town** - dirt road - 7 miles 15 minutes.

From Kelton - Return to UT 30 - 7 miles 15 minutes.

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Snowville - rest stop - late lunch- gas.

Note: From West Wendover (with sites) to Snowville - 223 miles 4 hrs 8 min + stops.

I-84/I-15 South - To Salt Lake City/Home 108 miles 80 minutes.

Sep 7th totals ~351 miles 6 Hr. 12 min drive time. We'll need to gas up at least once.

Total Loop 474 miles 8 hrs 10 min drive time + stops.



### That's 9 Ghost Towns & 1 Legend!



### Ghosts & Legends Shirts, Hats, Event Car Magnets by Mike Bailey

Our Utah Miata Challenge for 2023 started at the first of the year in January. Several UMC members have taken the "Challenge" and have gone to several ghost towns located throughout our wonderful state. Please take a photo of you and your Miata in front of a landmark, sign, building, etc. to identify the town. We must know where this is. Save the photos and send them by email to [mike@mikebaileyprinting.com](mailto:mike@mikebaileyprinting.com). You can send them as you get them or send them all at once in the month of October when this contest ends about the middle of the month. Awards will probably be awarded at the November monthly meeting.



Samples of photos like the ones pictured here when we went to Ophir, Ut. on our drive in April of this year.

We will have 3 prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place for members who visit the most and interesting places. We may bring back the "Red Lobster" Award as well, but make it a valuable prize to have. For those who do not know what the Red Lobster Award is, just ask any old time member who has been a club member for at least 10 years. This award was mainly used for annual Road Rally's. More to follow on the Red Lobster award in future newsletters!



I also have a list for T-Shirts and Hats and for Event Car Magnets for this event. Some have signed up, but if you want one, please get on my monthly list that is passed around and sign up for what you want. Deadline is July 15 for orders. I have a 1.5" Event Pin for those who collect Miata pins, which may be available (see photo on bottom right). These cost \$5.00 each and I have to order a minimum of 50. If you are interested let me know.



The Utah Miata Challenge Logo will be on the front of the shirts and also on the hats and event magnets. Same price all always on shirts \$16-20. depending on size (specify for lady's sizing). Hats are \$15.00 and Magnets 2 for \$12.00 or 1 for \$8.00. Back will have the above Ghosts & Legends logo image, large on the back. Shirts will probably be black or dark grey.



Let's see who can go to the most Ghost towns!



Ghost Towns  
Photos in Utah



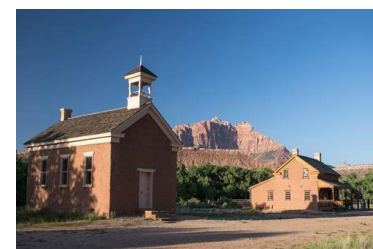
Old Ironton 1868 Charcoal Ovens



Cisco Gas Station



Ophir Post Office



Grafton Schoolhouse 1859

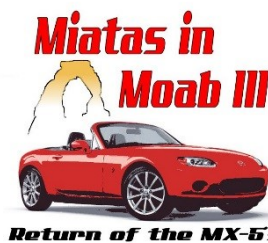
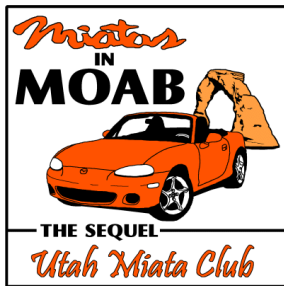
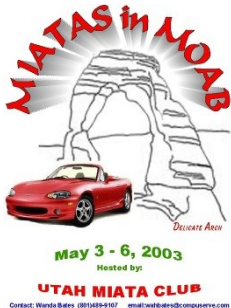


# Remember When: Miatas In Utah Events by Mike Bailey

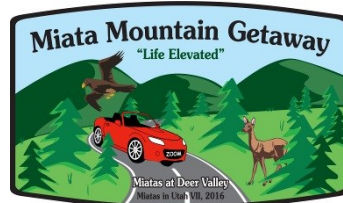
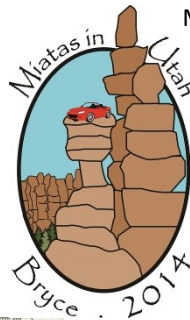
This month for my 'Remember When' article (we didn't have one last month due to me being sick more days than usual and needing help from Val on the NL) I thought of writing about some of our more memorable car club events, namely our 'Miatas in Utah' events that we have put on since 2003. We started calling them Miatas in Utah events since 2014 when we put on 'Miatas in Bryce' (Canyon), a different venue. Before that we called these events 'Miatas in Moab' as this is where we started holding the events. We have done Miatas in Moab every 2 years beginning in 2003 and have put on 5 Moab events, with a 6th Moab event planned in 2020 which we had to cancel because of the Covid-19 Pandemic. This event sold out within one month and we had to return all the money for the event registrations to those who had signed up. We didn't have an event in 2018 because we just did a major event in the fall of 2017 called the 'Viking River Cruise' to Europe (Amsterdam Netherlands to Budapest Hungary) which lasted about 20 days. We had 86 Miata people from across the country come to that! (mentioned in the May 2023 Remember When article).

Our 2010 and 2012 events in Moab brought 285 Miatas and 350 Miatas respectively, which translated into about 550 and 600 people respectively, a whole lot of Miata enthusiasts. We had to limit the amount of people coming to Miatas in Bryce (2014) and Miatas at Deer Valley (2016) and further made a limitation on the 2020 event. At Moab IV we had Chris Hill and a couple Mazda videographers from Mazda North American Operations (MNAO) come. They were simply amazed at the number of Miatas there at that beautiful venue. They videotaped our events for a couple days and sent us a movie of it. It was called "Miata Roadflix". It's no longer available online now.

We have made life-long friends, and have had hundreds of Miata people in other clubs across the country and Canada, and some from Europe attend our events. We are still good friends today with these people. Many keep asking me when we will do another Moab event as they enjoyed it so much. Our national events have been limited the past few years, both going to and attending them. Last one we went to was Explore Oregon in 2022. Also we've done many international cruises and to Caribbean and Alaska. We did Fall for New England for 10 days in 2019. I would love to do another Moab event but we'll have to see what the future brings for that! Right now it is not in the works because of all the hard work and people involved to put an event like this on. Photos on next page taken at different Miatas in Utah events. Note Moab event have the same theme. Please enjoy the memories!  
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Moab Event Logos with Slogans



Miata in Deer Valley (Park City)

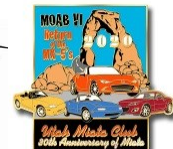


Cruise to Miataland, Italy



UMC Anniversary Logo Decals

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(Continued from pg.10; Rember When: Miatas in Utah Events) Photos of Miatas in Utah Events



Photos of Moab I (2003), II (2005), III (2007), IV (2010) & V (2012), Miatas in Bryce (2014), Miatas at Deer Valley (2016). See if you can guess which photos were taken at which event!



# Crazy Hat Day / August Luncheon/Drive

by Mike Bailey

**Date:** Saturday, August 5, 2023 **Time:** 11:30 a.m.

**Place:** Garage Grill, Herriman

**Address:** 12600 So. & West of Mountain

**View Corridor (801) 666-7767**



This will be our "Crazy Hat Day" so please wear a hat of your choice; funny, strange, outlandish, custom home made, or other! We have done this event many times in the past and always had fun with this. We'll meet at the Garage Grill in Herriman and tentatively have the upstairs private room at back of restaurant over the kitchen. We will choose a winner for best Crazy Hat! After lunch we will take a short drive up to Butterfield Canyon.



## Impromptu Drive to Mantua Poppy Fields

On June 19th, a Monday, Kelly & Michael Thompson decided to do an impromptu drive to the poppy fields in Mantua, Utah and had posted this on our club Facebook page. We had about 6 Miatas meet at the Layton Walmart and they led us on a backroad drive. The poppy blooms were awesome and it was a fun little afternoon drive. Thanks for planning this little drive. We encourage anyone to plan drives like this and you can promote them on Facebook



## Fall Leaf Drive— Bryce Area-Tropic Country Cabins

by Roger Heath

**When: September 22-24, 2023** See UMC Facebook Page under Events for details. Book 2 nights at Bryce Country Cabins in Tropic, Utah - Bryce Country Cabins <https://brycecountrycabins.com> Bryce Canyon Log Cabins <https://www.brycecanyonlogcabins.com>



We'll drive Huntington Canyon, Gooseberry Rd., Kodachrome Basin State Park, Panguitch Lake, Cedar Breaks National Monument. Be sure to sign up on Events page and book your rooms. A slight change in itinerary from last year's trip.



## Miata Reunion - 2023

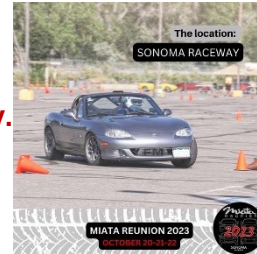
By: Mike Bailey

The National Miata event called **Miata Reunion 2023 will be held October 20-22** in Sonoma, California. Sonoma is located just northeast of San Francisco. It is basically a two day Saturday thru Sunday event, but it is advised that you arrive Friday, October 20th and check into the hotel and the event on Friday because of how busy it will be on Saturday. Only a few from Utah club are going. Details for planning a trip to follow soon.

Several UMC members have booked a room at the Days Inn by Wyndham in Navato, CA, which is a town located near the event as it is \$100.00 less per day than the host hotel. Navato is only 10 miles from Somoma, so a short drive. Call 415-897-7711 to book your room. Cost for a double queen room will AAA or AARP is \$120.13 + taxes.

**Registration for the event is \$25.00 per person. Registration opened on May 27, 2023 starting at 9:00 am and is expected to sell out quickly. Check out all the details at [www.Miatareunion.com](http://www.Miatareunion.com).**

**Go online to book other events you are interested in.** 



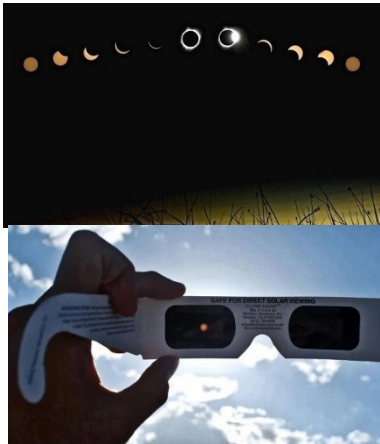
## October 2023 Annular Eclipse

By: Mike Bailey / Roger Heath

I'm looking forward to the Annular Eclipse on Oct 14th, 2023. We will be heading south on Friday, the 13th, as the eclipse is early Saturday morning, and come home after the eclipse is over. We will be staying at the Super 8 by Wyndham Motel in Salina. Address is 375 East 1620 South. Phone is 435-529-7483. Price was \$78.30 + tax for a room with 2 Queen beds. Continental breakfast is included. Cancellation is free as long as you cancel at least 24 hours prior to your stay.

We will hit the road early Saturday morning as the Solar Eclipse begins at 9:00 am in Richfield and lasts until about noon. We will head back home after the eclipse. All the hotels in Richfield are fully booked for the 13th. Be sure to book your room as soon as possible as rooms are filling up quickly. You can also get rooms at the Quality Inn & Suites in Salina. You can see more information on the club's Facebook page about the event.

**Be sure to bring your safe solar viewing glasses ("eclipse glasses") as you cannot look directly at the eclipse without them!**



## 2023 Calendar of Events



**July 8th:** Picnic / Elections & Planning (2:00 PM Murray church), Executive Board

**July 20-23rd:** Beartooth Hwy Trip (Info this NL, refer to website, Facebook page) Roger & Perly Heath

**August 5th:** Crazy Hat Day; Luncheon at The Garage Grill Herriman, Drive up Butterfield Canyon: Bailey's

**September 6-7th:** Wendover Overnighter; Ghosts & Legends, Box Elder County, Gordy & Jackie Nicholl

**September 22-24:** Fall Leaf Tour (Time and location TBD) Tropic, UT, details on UMC website, Roger & Perly

**October:** Luncheon: (TBD) Complete Ghosts and Legends Challenge (details to come), Mike Bailey

**October 19-22nd:** Miata Reunion; Sonoma, CA. (See NL, FB for info), Mike & Lynn Bailey

**November 4th:** Luncheon & Drive: (TBA) Results of Ghosts & Legends Event (Need planner & leader)

**December:** Christmas Party (Date & Time & Location TBD)

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Enjoy these photos of some July birthdays and other members at various Miata events like Fall for New England, the Crazy Hat Day in 2019, and Explore Oregon in 2022 with Tom Matano.

