

Attention Autocrossers!

The Buckeye Miata Club is hosting the Midwest Miata Club Autocross Challenge IV this year the weekend of June 8th, 9, and 10th. This promises to be the biggest and best event to date for the Challenge. If you have not been involved with the other three events, you are in for some fun. The weekend will start on Friday night with a welcome party at Speeds Indoor Karting Center in Whitehall on East Main St. (You can check out Speeds at their web site at www.speeds.cc.) Saturday's events will start with the main event, the autocross where clubs will race against each other for points and an over all club trophy. Saturday evening we will all meet at J.P.s Ribs at Bolton Air Field for a buffet diner and trophy presentation and more festive activities. Sunday, The Ohio Valley Region of the S.C.C.A. will be having their regular autocross where all of the racers from our event will be invited to race at a discounted price. This is a great way to see how our little Miatas run against some of the powerful V-8s and other types of sport cars. Whether you want to autocross your Miata or just meet other Miata owners from all over (this for everyone in our club, yes, you!). Please plan to attend one or all the events of the weekend. If you have any questions, contact Bob Hengen at bhengen@iwaynet.net or 751-0334, Matt Collins at miatafy@ameritech.net, or Steve Johnson at 1-740-927-6622. Pre registration is necessary.

Mingle at Mel's Drive-in

Double Feature at Dusk

June 30 (Saturday) 8:30 PM

Arrive early at this Back to the 50's style drive-in movie theater for a mingle with Miata folks and have a Mel's famous burger and other goodies from the Concession stand prior to the double feature. We try to park near the Concession stand if spaces are available. Movie titles for the evening can be heard by telephoning (765/325-2230). Mel's husband, Mike Roth, will collect a per car entrance fee at the gate, which is usually a discount rate for Indy Miata Club cars (because he knows we can not hide anyone in the trunk).

If you would like to caravan with some of us from the north side of Indianapolis, leave a message for Gary & Kathy Collings (317/873-4224) so we will know to wait for you at the Lions Club Park in Zionsville. We will meet at the Zionsville Park at 6:30 PM on June 30.

Directions to meet for the Caravan: Travel around I-465 on the north side of Indy and exit #27 at State Road 431 (Michigan Road); go north for a couple of miles pass the Ford dealership to the traffic light at State Road 334 (same as 116th Street). Turn west (left) and travel one (1) mile to the edge of Zionsville and look to your right and you will see the Miatas in the parking lot at the Lions Club Park. The caravan should arrive at the theater by 7:30 PM.

Directions to the theatre: Mel's Drive-in Theater is between Lebanon and Frankfurt on State Road 39 in Mechanicsburg. Travel I-65 to State Road 47 and exit eastbound. Drive a couple of miles to State Road 39 and turn north. You will pass through the giant erector set iron bridge at Mechanicsburg and then you will see the theater.



Surf City!

Do you have a favorite Miata page (perhaps your own web page showing your beautiful car?). Send us your favorite URL to share with readers of the Open Road.

Here's a listing URL's of some Miata sites starting with area clubs:

<http://members.aol.com/indymiata/>
The home page of IndyMiata, this page has tons of information, members listing, an events listing, picture gallery and more.

<http://home.att.net/~judy.serwatka/index.html>

Home page Lake Effect, for Miata Owners in northwest Indiana and northeast Illinois.

<http://my.ohio.voyager.net/~tkpennin/mvmc.html>

Miami Valley Miata club for Miata owners in the Dayton, OH area.

<http://windycitymiataclub.com/>
The Windy City club for Chicago area Miata folk.

<http://www.miata.net>
One of the most visited Miata sites on the internet. It has everything from maintained tips, a mailing list, product reviews, even a Q & A area from Bob Hall (referred to as "The Father of the Miata"). Voted as the best internet car site by the readers of Road and Track magazine!

<http://www.teamseg.net/>
"Dedicated to Keeping that Silly Egregious Grin on the faces of Miata Owners". TeamSEG offers resources for individual MX5 / Miata owners such as recommended service and body shops across the country, a list of gatherings across the country, a book list and more.

<http://www.miatadrives.com/>
This site bills itself as a listing of "Great sports car and motorcycle roads". Drives from all 50 states and provinces in Canada have been submitted with maps and a description of the drive.