

## Miata Named Best-selling Sports Car by Guinness World Records™

Joining the ranks of the oldest living man (112-years old), tallest living woman (7 ft. 7 in.) and coldest place on Earth (Vostok, Antarctica), the Mazda MX-5 Miata roadster has been named the best-selling sports car by Guinness World Records™. More than 600,000 of the popular sports car have been produced since it was introduced in 1989. The Miata is world-renowned as a pure sports car and has a legion of loyal followers.

## Autocross Season Starting Soon

The Indy SCCA has released a tentative schedule of autocross events for 2002. Coming up first is their "Test and Tune" on Saturday, April 6 at 16th Street / Bush Stadium. This event will be open to both experienced autocrossers interested in clearing the winter cobwebs from their vehicles (and minds) and anyone else with the desire to try autocrossing. While not a formal (or even informal) school, they will have experienced drivers available for some one-on-one coaching of novice competitors or anyone else that would like some pointers (or to simply get lots of ride-alongs!) Registration and tech starts at 8:00AM. Fees for SCCA members = \$15.00, \$25.00 for nonmembers. Contact Steve Linn at (317) 297-4814 [racerlinn@juno.com](mailto:racerlinn@juno.com) or Chris McGuire at (317) 577-2518 [m McGuirecm@aol.com](mailto:m McGuirecm@aol.com) for more information concerning this event. The Indy SCCA's website is <http://www.indyscca.org>

Sunday, April 28th at 16th Street / Bush Stadium will be the Indy SCCA's first points event of the season.

All Miatas are invited to The Buckeye Miata Club's scheduled autocross events. Their first event is April 6th at Hilliard Davidson High School Stadium in Hilliard, Ohio. Course set up starts at 8:00 a.m. Tech and registration closes at 9:30 a.m. The drivers meeting begins at 9:45 a.m. with the first car off at 10:00 a.m. They'll also be running an event on April 21st. Visit their website at <http://members.aol.com/buckata/> or contact Matt Collins at (614)471-7482 or [miatafy@ameritech.net](mailto:miatafy@ameritech.net) for more information.

For those interested in autocrossing, a good handbook on this sport can be found at [www.tirerack.com/features/solo2/handbook.htm](http://www.tirerack.com/features/solo2/handbook.htm).

## Lapping Day At Putnam Park

On March 24, there will be a lapping day sponsored by Predator Motorsport at the Putnam Park Raceway ([www.putnampark.com](http://www.putnampark.com)). Cost is \$200 per driver. This is a lapping day only, no instruction is provided. All forms and information are available at [www.predatormotorsport.com](http://www.predatormotorsport.com). Miatas need to be equipped with a roll bar (style bars do not count) or a hardtop. Drivers and passengers need helmets, which should be rated Snell 95 or newer.

There are currently about 10 Miatas registered, along with a variety of other cars. \$200 buys track time from 9:00am to 5:00pm, although groups do alternate, at least in the morning. In the afternoon it's typically an "open track".

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