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In The Marbles...

by Rick Morris, President

It's Hot!

For those of you that don't know me, I am an equal opportunity weather whiner. I know I complained all winter about how cold it was, now I'm complaining about how hot it is. You just can't please some people. The upside of the summer weather is that you can get out and take those long summer evening drives and end up at a dairy bar for a chocolate shake. It just doesn't get a whole lot better than a nice top down drive with the canopy of the summer sky overhead and some great company enjoying the drive with you. Get out and do it!

Speaking of great summer drives, the Longest Day Rally we had on June 21st was an absolutely great day for all of us that attended. The weather was spectacular and Dennis and Hazel Moore and their crew did a fabulous job of putting together and running the event. We had a total of twenty-seven cars, including several new members. It was an especially good route for the first-timers and we veterans enjoyed it as well. Kudos to Dennis and all for an excellent job.

Speaking of great events, the annual Fussin' and Cussin' Rally is coming up on July 12th. I was talking to some of the new members after the Longest Day Rally and I was telling them what an excellent event they picked for their first time. They asked about the F&C and I kind of smiled and told them that it had it's name for a very good reason. I also said that with a little patience they could probably do as well as anybody else. Don't forget to register at the web site for this annual relationship test.

Also coming up in July is a parade in Decatur Township. Jim Nutt needs Miatas and their drivers to help haul celebrities in the parade and attend the county fair afterwards. This is happening on July 8th, so sign up at the site if you give Jim a hand.

Finally in July (a busy month for the club), we have the Wash and Wax/Barbecue Mingle. This is on July 26th and will be an excellent opportunity get together, get the cars clean and enjoy a picnic afterwards. Sounds like a plan to me. If we can get Dr. Detail out of rehab, he may show up and give you some tips.

I've been really glad to see the new members stand up and plan events this year. It's good to have new routes with new scenery to see. We do kind of get in a rut over time and it's good to have new places to go and things to see. I'd like to encourage all of you to think about hosting a driving event. We still have slots open this year for both driving events and mingles. Our members are what makes this club so special and only your involvement will keep the club heading on the right path. I can understand if you're a little hesitant. I certainly was the first time I put on a event. It is a noticeable amount of work, but the reward of seeing everybody having a good time makes up for all the effort.

For those of you that didn't know, members Chris Poglitsch and Carol Roth became an official team on June 14th. We all wish them many, many years of wedded bliss. Actually, we're sure that Chris will enjoy the wedded bliss and we hope Carol doesn't mind being a lifetime crew member! Congratulations to the both of them. They're a great couple and I'm sure they will be happy together.

This Just in from Dr. Detail!

We just got a hand-delivered note from Dr. Detail (I didn't know he knew how to write, but that's another story.) Since he is on weekend work-release, he has graciously consented to come to the Wash and Wax mingle on the 26th. This is your big chance. If you would like to find out how to use a clay bar, apply Rain-X to your windows or if your Miata has some "special needs", be sure to be there and he will be more than happy to give you advice or help.

Actually, he didn't really consent to be there. He has to be under supervision when he's not being a "guest", so this was just a good chance to leverage a favor from him. He's looking forward to seeing you there and says "Don't forget to register or RSVP, so Al and Susan can plan on how much BBQ to get!".