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## Skid Marks....

*by Rick Booe, President*

Hi troops, back again! Is anybody tired of my writing yet? I hope not, as I'm doing the best I can. Some months I struggle to think of something to write about and this month is one of them.

I'll start out talking about the weather. Today at my house, it's rain, thunder, and lightening. This is not a good Miata day. I think I need a good indoor hobby, as all my fun things need good weather. Driving the Miata. Playing golf. Riding my Harley. All these are done best in hot sunny weather. I have been able to do a lot of these things the last couple weeks, just can't do any of them today. Hopefully tomorrow will be a better day. We really hope next Saturday, July 1st will be a good day for our ride through downtown and our mingle the night before the United States Grand Prix. I hope all of you that are going, have printed your parking pass off the e-mail that was sent out. If you decide to come at the last minute I will bring some of them with me to hand out at the gate.

On a non-Miata subject, I am very happy today because Susie returned home last night. She had been in Honduras for the last two weeks with the dentist (Dr. Frisbie) she works for and a team of medical doctors. She is tired but very happy to have been able to go there and bring medical and dental treatment to many people that seldom get the chance to receive any kind of medical care. She was in a mountainous area with a team of about thirty volunteers, who were mostly from the Indianapolis area. I am glad she could go there and serve, but I am VERY HAPPY that she is back.

I know that I often mention my attraction to NASCAR racing and many of you sports car guys and girls couldn't care less. But today the NASCAR guys are racing at Infineon Raceway and it is road racing, so it kind of mixes the two interests. I like to watch NASCAR road racing because most of those guys are not really very good at it and that makes it fun for me to watch. There are lots of cars going off the track and stirring up a lot of dust. Whee! Now, my main men Jeff Gordon and Tony Stewart are good at road courses and they will be battling hard today.

For Indianapolis, this is time for the USGP. I know that more of you are interested in this type of racing. I like to watch it, but I don't really follow it around the world. So for more information on Grand Prix racing you may have to contact someone else....like maybe Steve Jacobson. I'll bet he knows way more about it than I do.

Most all of us are into cars of all types. As much as we love our Miata, Susie and I really like to look at, and maybe some day own a late 60's early 70's muscle car. She prefers Mustangs, I prefer Camaros and Novas. In my internet surfing, I ran into a very good website that I would like to share with you. <http://www.oldcarsonly.com> When you go to this site, you can access all the local car shows in Indiana. You can also order a t-shirt with a picture of your own car on it. I look at this site every week to see if there are any shows close to where I live. Sometimes these small local car shows are a lot of fun. They usually have fair type food which is good, (although maybe not good for you) and sometimes they have music. You can always find lots of people who just love to talk about their cars. Know anybody like that?

Well, as I finish writing this, the rain has stopped and the "track" in front of my house is drying out. Maybe I'll get to do some zooming today after all. Hope to see you all soon. Keep smiling and drive safely.

And remember, one Miata is fun, but a whole bunch of Miatas is a whole bunch of fun!