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Dorothy and Earl's Spring Fling 2006
April 29-30, 2006
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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE Joe M. Bohannon

As I discussed at the August meeting, activities are picking-up for NEO Miata. The drive put together by George Walker and the SCCA was slowed down by the weather. Even so, six brave souls showed up for the drive. Some of our members will show up, rain or shine, just for the fun of a drive.

In a weak moment at the August meeting, I said if our current membership of 84 cars grows to 100, Sara and I will provide the "beverages" for a party. These have to be paid-up memberships, not just applications without payment. Lawyers are always thinking.

of an early drive after the SD&D on Saturday, the 27th. Mac Young got Miata Fever so bad, he ordered a 2006 and it is one of the limited editions with special appointments. He even bought a used one to drive so he can keep the miles on the 2006 down. He plans to sell his 2000 SE. Shame on him. Sounds like he has a terminal case.

The August SD&D led by Sara and me had a good turn out. See the article elsewhere for the details.

The annual Night at the Drive-In is set for Friday, September 2nd. Check the Web Site for details.

The rumor mill is that several other members have ordered a 2006. The event planned on the 8th of September is still on. It will be a big day for Nelson to introduce the 2006 Miata to the Tulsa Community. Everyone try to come out around 6 PM for the event and refreshments and snacks will be served. Lets support our dealer for this event. Brian Whitt is the liaison for Nelson and he has issued a special invitation to our club.

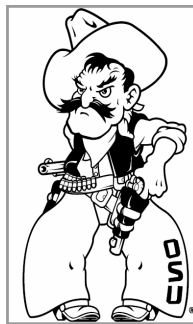
I have made a Presidential appointment. Suzanne Young is now in charge of the NEO Miata kiosk at Nelson Mazda. It is up and running so to speak and we are getting new ideas already to improve the appearance and make it interesting for existing owners and prospective owners. Thanks for all of you that took time to put items together for the display. Give your "Stuff" to Suzanne and any ideas for changes. One plan is to put a number of newsletters at the bottom for distribution each month to anyone wanting more information about the club.

It is always a good idea to check it before any event in case there are any last minute changes.

Elections will be coming up in October so be thinking about becoming a member of the team. All offices are open for nomination. Let any officer know if you are interested in running.

If you have not already heard, 5 new 2006 models have arrived at Nelson Mazda. They have both an automatic and manual shift model available for driving. Some of us took advantage

Sara and I are now in our new home along with our boxes. We invited everyone over to help us unpack after the August meeting but no one showed. We have just learned that Allen and Deborah Taylor are building a new home across the street from our new home. Small World. See you out on the trail.



Welcome New Members:

John Chapman
Larry Parker
Rose Schroeder
George & Joyce Tripp
Lou & Linda Vespasian
Ron & Linda Zuschlag

Meeting Minutes - August, 2005 Leta Arnett, Secretary

President Joe Bohannon called the meeting to order. There were 48 members present including nine new members. We now have 84 cars in our club. That is a new Club record.

All the upcoming drives/trips were discussed, Earl's Spring Fling in April of 2006, Bob's Branson Trip in October 2005 and the Drive In on September 3, 2005. In addition, Nelson Mazda will have the new 2006 Miata on display and has invited us all to come out and see or drive the car on September 8, 2005 between 4 and 9 pm. Nelson will also be hosting our Christmas Party at their new facility on December 10, 2006. We have lots to look forward to over the next couple of months.

The matter of nametags was discussed again. We had two choices and by unanimous vote, the club chose to go with the nametags that Alan Doughty will furnish for all club members at a cost of \$1.00 each, and the club will pay for the one time purchase for each club member and new members. The nametag will have your name, car color, and year.

ELECTIONS - We have our elections for Officers at the October meeting. Officers will take up their positions at the Christmas Party in December. Be thinking about what you would like to do to help our club and if you would like to be officer. More will be discussed about this at our next meeting.

October Events

- 1-2 Arkansas Miata Club President's 3 Mt. Tour
- 16 NEO Miata Club B'Day Party, Natural Falls
SP, 10:00AM-5:00PM
- 19 7-9:00 pm : Monthly Club Meeting
- 22-23 Overnight Trip, Branson, MO

CHECK THE CLUB WEBSITE
FOR CHANGES AND UPDATES!

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

2	Miatas @ The Drive Inn 6:00 PM Everyone please plan on meeting at the Sonic at Admiral & Yale at about 6PM. We will have dinner, and then go to the Admiral Twin Drive Inn just before sunset, so we can get good parking spots for the movie we choose.
8	PREVIEW 2006 MX5 @ Nelson Mazda The "NEW" 2006 MX5 (Miata) will be on display all day at Nelson Mazda, 9902 S. Memorial Dr. Tulsa, OK. Between 4-9PM a select few (15) will be allowed to take a 20 min. test drive in it. Sign-Up for the test drive at Nelson, NEO members have first dibs. Plan to show up at Nelson's in your Miata around 6:00 PM for a club show of appreciation for all Nelson Mazda does for us.
10	Arkansas Miata Club Miatas@Hallett III
17	Tulsa Fly In It will be held at the Bartlesville Airport on September 17th. They have invited our club to be special guests of the event. We will meet at the McDonalds located at Admiral and Memorial at 8AM. Drivers meeting at 8:45 leave promptly at 9AM. This will be a collection of Vintage/Antique Aircraft, we will have reserved parking and will have our cars on display for people to admire. We will depart around 1:30 or 2 as a group or as necessary to return home. There will be no entry fee for our club, and food will be available as well as seating under a tent. No chairs will be necessary. So everyone please come, shine up the cars, show them off and have a great time inspecting the vintage aircraft and watching them fly

21	7:00 - 9:00 pm : Monthly Club Meeting
24	SD&D "Hayride/Weiner Roast (Grove) Host: The Lanes \$5/pp

AVERAGE JOE'S MIATA RALLY RESULTS

DRIVER/NAVIGATOR	ELAPSED	PERFECT	TIME
	TIME	TIME	DIFFERENCE
Mac Young/Mason Young	1:52:00	1:52:34	0:34
Stephanie Williamson/Suzanne Young	1:54:00	1:52:34	1:26
John Chapman/Melonie Chapman	1:50:00	1:52:34	2:34
Mike Viseur/Paula Viseur	1:56:00	1:52:34	3:26
Earl Larkin/Andy Lough	1:48:00	1:52:34	4:34
George Walker/Carole Walker	1:48:00	1:52:34	4:34
Brad Coody/Jan Coody	2:00:00	1:52:34	7:26

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MAZDA

August SD&D: Nuyaka Creek Winery & Catfish Roundup *Nom de Plume* (Photos: L. Young)

Seventeen cars showed up for Joe and Sara's SD&D and the weather cooperated as much as one could ask for in late August. We learned when Pope Joe makes a promise he keeps his word.

We met at the McDonald's at 121st and Memorial. A few of the club members had spotted new 2006 Miatas (MX-5 ????) at Nelson's Mazda on their way to McDonald's, so Papa Joe started our drive by detouring through Nelson's sales lot for a quick look see,. As luck would have it someone was just leaving on a test drive, and it Zoomed by us as we headed back south on Memorial. It was a beauty; Mazda got it right, all except the name. A couple of club members have ordered 2006 Miatas, but no one has taken possession at this time.

The morning was cool and Papa Joe led us down some nice shaded roads, he had promised a curvy road, and Mac Y. said he sure enjoyed that one curve. It sure felt good to be out with the top down, that is until we made a potty stop, and then some of us realized just how much it had warmed

up. I think some would have opted to put their top up there and then if Earl had not threatened to strip down to his thong before he would put his top up.

Next, we stopped at the Nuyaka Mall as promised by Papa Joe and he allowed the women time to shop. Of course, the mall was only about 400 square feet, and the women only needed about 5 minutes of the 15 minutes Papa Joe had allotted.



We then drove just down the road, the gravel road, over the 'classic' wooden bridges that cross the Deep Fork River, to the Nuyaka Creek Winery where we tasted their fruit and berry wines. Cherry Berry, Pear, Elderberry, Peach, Watermelon, Blackberry, Raspberry and others too numerous to mention were

available.

At this point, many of the more delicate opted to put their top up. We left the winery via the gravel road. Papa Joe had promised us two miles of dirt/gravel road but he failed to mention that we would drive that two-mile section twice. Just down the road there was a drunk walking down the middle of the road, we guessed he had already been tasting at the winery. We dodged him as if he were a pylon in the middle of the road.

We had lunch at the Catfish Roundup at I-40 and Hwy 99 where Papa Joe had arranged for us a private dining room. They kept bringing out the hot apple fritters, and of course, most of us opted for their delicious catfish.

The prize for best guesser on mileage went to Jack and Wanda. Each person was given a bottle of rum donated by B & B Liquor Warehouse. After lunch, we hit the expressway and headed back to Tulsa.

Thanks Papa Joe and Sara for a wonderful day.



NEO Miata Logo Items

Shirts / Jackets / Hats etc.

Show your pride as a Miata owner and NEO Club Member by wearing our club logo on a shirt, jacket or hat. Our club logo is available at T-Shirt Express in Owasso. Exit Hwy 169 at 76th St. North, turn left at the light and go about 2 to 3 blocks. It's on the left side of the street next to the pawn shop.

You can bring in your own items to be embroidered or purchase items there at the store.

Prices are reasonable, check for pricing.

Club Pins:

Club logo pins are available for \$3.00 each, 2 for \$5.00 or 5 for \$10.00. Contact the club treasurer at any club meeting or event.

Magnetic Signs:

NEO Club Logo magnetic signs are available for \$25.00 each at Signs Now located at 51st and Yale.





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It's About the Roads: Dorothy and Earl Larkin

What: Spring Fling 2006

When: Saturday, April 29th, 2006.

Reservations: Please make your reservations as soon as possible. We will be staying at the Dry Creek Lodge in the Ozark Folk Center Arkansas State Park in Mountain View, Arkansas. You cannot believe how "busy" this place and this town is until you try to reserve rooms for a large group such as the NEO M i a t a C l u b .

There are five lodging places in this little town that have every room reserved between April 1st, 2006 and October 31st, 2006; every room, 100% occupancy. No, this is not a misprint, not a mistake. Forget a group as large as ours, they don't have a single room available within that time frame. It's almost unimaginable but apparently people come here by the thousands every year to soak-up "country living", bluegrass music, and the fishing, canoeing, rafting, and swimming on the White River.

Still other places have a few rooms available but not nearly enough for a group our size. Except for Dry Creek Lodge inside the state park. And we are taking the only weekend in the entire Spring that they have enough vacancies to handle our group.

But you ask, "Why are we doing this in September 2005 instead of January 2006?" Good question. The lodge asked me how many rooms would we require? I responded that there was no way that I could know for sure; that's not what they wanted to hear. They "pushed hard" for a definite number. I responded, "Anywhere from 10-30 rooms is possible." So we compromised; as of mid-August they are reserving twenty rooms for the NEO Miata Club for sixty days. You are to call in and reserve your room with the NEO Miata Club group rate (\$62.00 plus tax), and hold your room with your credit card. If we have more than twenty members who call in for reservations that is fine as long as we do it before the end of October 2005. After that

date, any of the twenty rooms not reserved by a club member will be released to the general public.

So if you want to go drive with us on Spring Fling 2006, please call this toll-free number, 1-800-264-3655, and tell them you wish to reserve a room in Dry Creek Lodge for the night of Saturday, April 29th, 2006, at the NEO Miata Club group rate. Do it now. You really don't want to miss this one.

