



MONTHLY MEETING - DIAMOND JACK'S @ 7031 S. ZURICH IN TULSA!! 6:45 PM!!!

CALENDAR:

- 10/01/2011: Full Belly Drive #4
- 10/07/2011: Miatas At Tulsa Raceway Park
- 10/19/2011: Club Meeting
- 10/22/2011: Earl's Fall Drive, TBA
- 11/16/2011: Club Meeting

FULL BELLY DRIVE #4, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2011: TROY LANGHAM

- When: Saturday, October 1, 2011
- Where: McDonalds, 1502 South Peoria Avenue, Tulsa, OK
- Driver's Meeting: 8:15 AM
- Depart: 8:30 AM



This will be a close-to-home drive over a couple of nearby fun roads ending up in Sapulpa at about 11:00 for lunch at Fat Charlie's Grill; a place of great hamburgers and lot of other wonderful "comfort" food.

After lunch we have a guided tour of a "new" Route 66 attraction, "The Waite Phillips Filling Station Museum". This filling station was built in 1922 by Waite Phillips. The building has been restored by the Sapulpa Historical Society and is currently used as a museum. The museum houses automobiles from the 1920s and is located one block off historic Route 66.

MIATAS AT TULSA RACEWAY PARK, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2011: JOE BOHANNON

- When: Friday, Oct 7, 2011, 6:00 - 11:00 PM
- Where: Tulsa Raceway Park, 3101 N. Garnett, Tulsa, Ok

Once again the big race is set in early October. It was rained out last year and is now set. The details are as follows:

The drag races are held in what is called "bracket racing" format. This system equalizes all cars to a common base, i.e. your ability to estimate the time of your car for 1/4 of a mile. This is known as the "dial in time". You will get two trial runs to get your time down for the actual race. all starts are from a light tree and if you jump the green light you loose unless both do, then the times will determine the winner. The goal is to equal your time estimate or just go over. if you are Under your estimate, this means you ran faster and loose assuming the other car goes over. The one closest to the dial in time without going under is the winner for each race.

The cost is \$20.00 for drivers who want to race, and \$10.00 admission for others. You need to have a helmet available and will run with the top up. There is a technical inspection of each car prior to racing. You need to wear long pants and a top with either short or long sleeves if you plan to race. You can bring your own numbers for the car or they will assign you one and put it on the window. Windows must be up when racing. Depending on the number of cars that show up, we will set up brackets to have a winner and looser and the winners will race winners until we have an overall winner. Both people in a car can drive, and the cost would then be \$40.00 total. Food and drinks are available and you cannot bring your own. If there is enough interest, we can have an outright challenge race bracket for

the fastest Miata for the 1/4 mile, i.e. fastest car wins.

The address is 3101 N. Garnett, Tulsa. exit 169 at Pine going north, go east to Garnett (1/2 mile) and go north on Garnett to the main entrance on your right. If not racing, park outside the pit area entry gate, otherwise pay as you enter with your car through the gate with the guard house to the pit area. The races should be over around 11 pm. If rainy, call me first to confirm the race is on.

Questions: call Joe Bohannon @ 918 744-5696 work, 918 605-0039 cell, 918 355-5187 home. Email is: joebolaw@windstream.net

Come on out and get your bragging rights for your Miata!!!!!!

FALL (MAYBE FOLIAGE) DRIVE, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2011: EARL & DORTHY LARKIN

When: Saturday, October 22, 2011

Where: McDonald's, 333 S 129th E Ave Tulsa, Ok, 74101

Gather: 06:00--06:45 AM

Driver's Meeting: 06:45 AM

Depart: 07:00 AM

The 2011 Fall Foliage Drive will occur on Saturday, October 22nd. We will gather at the McDonald's at I-44 and 129th between 06:00--06:45 A.M. We will have a drivers meeting at 06:45 A.M. and depart promptly at 07:00 A.M.

Please do not eat breakfast at McDonald's that morning. We will be feasting at an "all you can eat break-fast buffet" about 10:00--10:30 A.M. Think of it as a "bodacious brunch" you don 't want to miss. We're talking eggs, bacon, ham, sausage, biscuits, toast, gravy, waffles, etc., etc., etc. We are pretty certain that the club has never eaten breakfast at this establishment before.

We still doubt that we will see a lot of "great color" so here is what we are going to do ; we have laid out a great course of winding, twisting roads through parts of three different states. The "pace" of the drive will be "spirited" but any time we actually find "great color" the pace will be slowed to "cool cruiser dude" long enough for our club photographers to get some really great photos.

The total distance of the drive will be about 321 miles with 2/3 of that being hills, curves, forests, curves, lakes, curves, rivers, and curves. So this drive is a win-win situation for everyone. Even if we don 't find lots of beautiful colors, we guarantee all of you that we definitely will find miles and miles of great Miata roads. Please arrange your schedule so that as many as possible of you can go with us on Oct. 22nd. We had a horribly hot Summer, months of heat so stifling the club pretty much quit having drives. Consider this; after Oct. 22nd, it won't be very long at all until it starts getting so cold we quit driving again!!! So please, let's get as many Miatas out on this drive as we possibly can. Unless we have just terrible luck with civilian drivers, we should be back in Tulsa be 5:00 P.M.

Hope to see everyone there!

Wild Thang & Wild Child

PREVIOUS MONTH'S MEETING MINUTES: CAROL LAWS

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

Dan & Pam Thirion

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Mike Viseur, club president, called the September 21 meeting to order. Mike noted our visitors Dan and Pam Thirion whom recently pur-

chased a Miata. (They joined the club at the end of the meeting. Welcome!) As introductions continued around the room, Mac and Leta Arnett talked a little about the 5700 mile trip they had just returned from.

Officer Reports:

SECRETARY: A new club directory of members / phone numbers / addresses etc. is in the early planning stages. Suzanne Young is checking on a source she knows who may be able to print the directories for us. Hopefully pictures of members (taken by smart phone at meetings) will be included. More information to follow.

TREASURER: Expenses for the year \$755; Deposits for the year \$2361.26; Balance \$2586.73

TOUR DIRECTOR / V.P.: Sam listed the events coming up in the near future; 4th Full Belly Drive Oct. 1; Earl's annual Fall Drive Oct. 22 and the Veterans' Day Parade Friday Nov. 11. He asked that someone come forward to spearhead this event. Several drivers / cars are used each year in the parade to escort Veterans. The annual club birthday picnic will be scheduled either the week before or after the Fall Drive. (Later in the meeting Joe Bohannon talked about Miatas at Tulsa Raceway Park to be held Friday October 7. He handed out information on this event but if there are questions give him a call at 918-744-5696 work; 918-605-0039 cell; 918-355-5187 home or joe-bolaw@windstream.net.)

WEB / NEWSLETTER: No Report

There was a lot of conversation following reports especially about the recent 3rd Full Belly drive to the Shawnee area and the 9th annual Miatas at Hallett. Earl noted that the 3rd Full Belly Drive was the only one he had been on in 13 years that hadn't had at least one RED Miata! The featured dessert at the Hamburger King where they ate was "Monkey Tail Pie" choc. cream / banana cream / bananas.

*** About this time new member Pat Huether joined the meeting very late. She was in the Harley Davidson meeting by mistake and finally realized it! Welcome Pat!! She drives a Silver '06. ***

Talk about Miatas at Hallett day centered around George Walker who really is the racing pro of the club. He has won a number of local and regional national races. George said that driving at Hallett for the 1st time in '93 opened his eyes about Miata's high performance capabilities. He's been hooked on racing ever since. Earl commented that riding with George and watching the many coordinated movements of George's hands and feet "would put Fred Astaire to shame".

For those who might be interested there is a half price coupon for 1st timers racing at Hallett in November. George said that the Arkansas Miata club has been sponsoring Miatas at Hallett every year and next year will be their last doing so. He proposed that our club and several other clubs in the region should think about sponsoring the event after next year.

Earl talked about the Fall Drive he will lead Oct.22. He has a spectacular "twisty curvy" drive planned based on the best rainfall amount data he could find. This is to be a 1 day drive. He asked that everyone save their appetite for the sumptuous buffet around 10-10:30 a.m. The twistiest roads however are just after the buffet stop. And as Brad Coody warned, everyone may want to be cautious on not overloading at the buffet before driving again! Earl cautioned everyone coming on the drive to not "drift in the curves across the center no pass line". A fine of at least \$300 and possible jail time could be expected in Arkansas.

There was a little more conversation about a Miata spotted with a Mustang 350GT engine and Miata conversions in general.

Then the meeting adjourned at 7:55.

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