

NEO CLASSIC

NOVEMBER 2014



MONTHLY MEETING – UNCLE BUCK'S @ BASS PRO, BA, OK!! 7:00 PM!!

NOVEMBER EVENTS

Nov 1 is an open weekend

Nov 8 is an open weekend.

Nov 11, Tuesday, Tulsa "Veterans Day Parade".

We are in the 3rd Division, Unit 10. In the sequence of the parade we will be located behind the Veterans Treatment Court and before the American Red Cross. We will meet behind or south of Fassler Hall at 4th & Elgin. Please park in the parking lot on the west side of Elgin. Start forming no later than 8:30 – 9:00 am. 10:00 am. is the cut off for getting into the area due to street closings, on Elgin Avenue between 5th and 6th Streets, heading north. Approach the area from the south due to the large vehicle traffic flowing in north of 3rd street. Be aware that Highway 75 is closed at the SE loop of the inner dispersal loop.

The parade begins promptly at 11:00 am. We will match up the Vets we are carrying at approximately 10:00am in the parking lot area. We will have a list available to match up the drivers with the riders. This will be done during a drivers meeting. We will also have blue painters tape to attach the veteran's signs to the doors of the cars and American flags to the cars. We should have donuts and snacks available. Coffee may be available at the Red Cross immediately to the east of our parking area. Bring other personal drinks if you want. A folding chair might come in handy to sit outside of the cars.

We will initially form up two wide (parking). We will leave 4th & Elgin, proceeding two-wide until passing the review stand, then, after the review stand, we can spread out to three wide. Please remember to proceed at a slow space after the reviewing stand. If we go too fast it creates large gaps in the parade. This should not be a problem because we are located behind a walking group. As in past years, there is no stopping or saluting at the review stand. No throwing of candy from any vehicles, only those walking can throw candy.

Any Veteran wishing to ride needs to supply: Last rank, full name (as you want it to appear on your name sign), branch of service, and years of service (i.e. 1966-1977). If one veteran rides in a car both doors will have his/her name/sign on the doors. If two veterans ride in a car, each veteran will have his/her name/sign on their respective door. There is a free breakfast at the VFW at 7:00 a.m. and free lunch at American Legion Post #1 at 8th & Peoria after parade. Last year (2013) we had 20 cars in the parade. Coordinating the cars, Veterans, signage etc. is being handled by David Laughrey (primary contact, laughreyco@cox.net). This event requires a good deal of coordination. Bob Schwarz, and Pierre Smith will continue to communicate with those we need assistance from, and will continue to do so in the last days prior to the event.

Nov 15 is an open weekend

November 19, Wednesday, Meeting Night
7 p.m. at Uncle Bucks inside Bass Pro Shops, Broken Arrow
Program: Election of Club Officers

Nov22 is an open weekend.

Nov 29 is an open weekend. Thanksgiving Weekend.

NEO MIATA CRUISE : SUZANNE & MAC YOUNG

NEO Miata Goes International! Join fellow club members on a week long cruise sailing from Galveston, TX on the 18th of January, 2015 and returning to Galveston on the 25th of January, 2015. Click or copy and paste the following link into your web browser to download all the details. Ahoy Matey!! http://neomiata.com/2015_January_Miata_Cruise.pdf

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE : STEVE CLICK

We had 2 club outings in October. We went to The Pecan Porch on October 11th for a short drive and lunch and had a good turn out and great fellowship. We had 23 cars for the Fall Foliage trip on October 25th and if you missed it you missed a great drive and a wonderful place to eat (The Cliff House). Earl and Dorothy are great drive leaders.

Don't forget the Veterans Day Parade on November 11th. Information is in the Newsletter and on the Calendar.

Everyone have a Happy Thanksgiving.

FALL FOLIAGE TOUR: RUTH WILLS

We had 21 cars headed to Siloam Springs early Saturday morning knowing we are going to put some fun miles on our Miatas. It was dark when we left McDonald's but it didn't take long for the bright beautiful sun to rise. You couldn't ask for better weather. We picked up two more cars in our Siloam Springs stop which made our total of 23 cars as we headed to Huntsville.

After a gas stop in Huntsville we started our beautiful drive in the awesome Ozarks Mountains. These roads were just made for our Miatas. We are headed to the Cliff House Restaurant in Jasper along the Buffalo National River that is known for their large elk herds. There were several cars parked at the turnout looking for the elk. Duane thought he saw some elk but I quickly told him those are cows.

Even if we didn't get that freeze that Earl wanted, there was still some beautiful color. Lunch was at the Cliff House with most beautiful overlook and known as Arkansas Grand Canyon. After a great lunch we headed to Mount Judea with lots of curves, switch-backs and gorgeous scenery.

Jeff Bridges did have a incident but all is okay. I have been on many drives and you can always count on our members to be there for you no matter the situation. They are the very best.... Thanks to those who helped Jeff.

On the way back we traveled scenic Route 16 through Deer, Boston, to Fayetteville. Again, wonderful roads with a beautiful canopy of brilliant colors and cool breezes. These roads were at the request of Mac Arnett. We came into Oklahoma on Hwy 62 to Westville, Tahlequah along the Illinois River. When it comes to great roads and beautiful scenery Oklahoma can hold with the best of them.

Thanks to Earl and Dorothy for another great drive. We know how much work is put into a drive. Keeping everyone safe, tummies full, potty breaks, curved roads, beautiful scenery and no one lost or left behind. Thank you, Thank you, I think a good time was had by all.

Old friends, New friends, Good food, Curvy roads and Beautiful scenery in a MIATA!!! You just can't ask for more...

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES: RON COATES

The NEO Miata meeting for October was called to order by President Steve Click at seven pm, Wednesday the 15th of October.

Steve reported about the Club Birthday party, which was held at his and Earlenes home. Everyone seemed to enjoy it. Steve commented that George Walker had driven his classic Mustang to the party, and it got a lot of praise from the crowd. The drive to the Pecan Porch was a success as well, several members joined that drive as well. Steve continued his report by reminding the members about the up coming

election in November.

The microphone was passed around for introductions. Gary Deaton, of the SCCA came to the meeting as a visitor. There were no new members who joined this night.

Vice President, Tom Mattox, said he had little to report, but that his wife, Jean, was doing well after her knee replacement. Club secretary, Ron Coates, mistakenly reported that we now had 98 club members, but he meant to say 88! Gail Roop, club Treasurer, reported that the club had over \$2527 in the treasury.

In "old business", Steve reminded us the Christmas party will be held on December 13th at Nelson Mazda, time will be six pm....and we need people to come help set up the place at five pm. There will be a dirty Santa gift exchange, the price of the gifts should be no more than \$25. He reiterated that elections are to be held in November. Then he touched on a cruise that is going to happen in January. If you are interested in finding out details, please contact Susanne Young, or Ron Coates. Ron can be reached at 918-486-5081. The travel agent, who will be able to give you all the details is Mickey Millheim, his phone number is 1-800-338-4962 extension 7107. The cruise goes into the Caribbean.

Under "new business", Bill Curts presented a proposal to change some of the wording in the club guidelines. The main points of the proposal was to change the word "Jobs" to "Officers. And to limit the term of the treasurer to three years. There was a motion made and seconded to accept the proposal as written. There was considerable discussion, almost entirely regarding the section about the treasurers term limit. The motion was voted down.

David Laughrey and Bob Schwarz are handling the Veterans Day Parade for the club, David reminded those who want to participate that the parade will be held on Nov. 11th. We have 22 cars that are committed to the parade, if you want to add your name, please get in touch with David or Bob SOON.

Bob Schwarz mentioned that two cars had their "check engine" light come on during the drive to the Pecan Porch. Bob explained how he was able to solve his problem by cleaning the metal under the gas cap and repositioned the "O" ring.

The Fall Foliage Drive was the next drive that would happen after meeting night. Earl Larkin described what the drive would be like. He implored the religious members of the club to PRAY for cold weather! He said that without a freeze, the colors would not be out in full beauty. But he also assured us that the scenery would be lovely even without a freeze.

Joe Bohannon recommended an upholstery craftsman, Scott's Auto Trim, as a good resource for top and upholstery repair. George Walker gave a quick report on Laguna Seca, a race track for cars like the Miata. He said North East Oklahoma made a great showing in the way they finished at the races.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07, when Steve Click brought the gavel down.

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