

# **OCTOBER EVENTS**

**10 – CLUB BIRTHDAY PARTY:** We will have our 25 year club birthday party on October 10 2015 at Chandler Park which is off Avery Drive south of Sand Springs at shelter # 3 starting at 1 p/m till 4 p/m. Club will provide the meat and we ask those who attend to bring a side dish, club will provide the desert. Bring what you would also like to drink with your meal we will have ice and cups provided. We will start eating at about 1 p/m might want to bring folding chairs with you just in case.

**17 – WAR BONNET DRIVE:** Visit the old War Bonnet Raceway near Mannford. War Bonnet was a road race track that existed for a few years in the late 60s. The pinnacle of its existence was when it hosted a TransAm race, won by Mark Donohue in the Penske Camaro. There is a housing addition located there now, but you can still 'make a lap' around the old track (at 25 mph) if you know where to go.

Here is the plan: Meet at the north end of the Quik Trip at 96<sup>th</sup> & Riverside at 10:45 for a drivers meeting and any last minute pit stops. Drive leaves at 11:00, arriving at the old War Bonnet location around noon. We can make a slow lap or two around the track, then go to the Harbor at Cross Timbers on Keystone Lake for lunch about 12:15. It is a floating restaurant on the lake and should have some really nice views. They are closed for the season, but will open for us. It would be a good idea to get an approximate head count so they know how many to prepare for. After lunch, we would come back across two dams (Keystone and Shell) and finish at the Braum's on Gilcrease Drive by 2:30.

## October 21, Wednesday, Meeting Night

7 p.m. at Uncle Bucks Grill inside Bass Pro Shops, Broken Arrow, OK

## 10/31-11/01 - FALL FOLIAGE DRIVE: Wild Child & Wild Thang:

### I. Saturday Schedule:

A. Breakfast at McDonalds at I44 and 129 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 – 6:45 AM
B. Drivers Meeting	6:45 - 7:00 AM
C. Depart on Drive	7:00 AM
D. Lunch	11:00 - 12:00PM
E. Depart for Lodge	12:00 PM
F. Arrive at Lodge and Check-in	5:00 PM
G. Gather in viewing area for dinner	5:45 – 6:00 PM
H. Dinner in the Heritage Room	6:00 PM

### II. Sunday Schedule:

A. Gather in the viewing area for breakfast
 B. Breakfast in the Heritage Room
 C. Depart the Lodge for leisurely drive home including several pull-outs and stops for sightseeing and photography

D. Arrival back in Tulsa: will be determined by whether or not you decide to stop some where in Muskogee and eat lunch or to go on home

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#### non-stop to your home

III. Food Costs: For a couple: Lunch Saturday \$18.00 – 25.00

Dinner Saturday \$30.00+ tax and tip Breakfast Sunday \$22.00 + tax and tip

Both meals at the lodge are "all you can eat" from the buffet and include deserts and drink.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: TOM MATOX

Well the weather is getting a lot cooler and driving with the top down getting to be a daily thing. We have the Club Birthday party on the 10th of this month. Hope to see as many of the club members that can come to Chandler Park, south of Sand Springs, off Avery drive. We are meeting at shelter area # 3 at 1 p/m till 4 pm for lunch. Those who plan to attend, please bring a side dish to share with the group. The club will provide the main dish.

We also will be looking forward to our monthly club meeting at Bass Pro on the 15th and looking forward to the fall drive at the end of the month. I'm sure Earl will have a report at the club meeting as to what to look forward too.

Hope to see all of you at the birthday party. This is our 25th year as a club and there will be a club picture taken of the attendees so come have lunch and be part of this historic event. See you on the 10th Zoom Zoom.

# **PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES: RON COATES**

Club President, Tom Mattox, called the September meeting to order at seven PM at the Bass Pro Shop's Uncle Buck restaurant. There were two guests at the meeting, Lee Kimberlin, who owns two Miatas, a 1991 and a 2005 Miata Speed. He wanted to come learn more about the club. Also Garry Deaton, from the NEO Sports Car Club of America, visited the meeting.

The microphone was then passed around for the members to comment on their cars and introduce themselves. When it came George Walker's turn, he listed ALL of his cars, he had planned to sell the 2006 to make room for his 2016. He still likes the 2006, so he is THINKING about how to keep them all! When it came Earl Larkin's turn to make his remarks, he explained that his wife, Dorothy, is probably going to be hard to find until the end of the school semester. Dorothy is a professor at Rogers State University, and she has been recruited to take over the classes of another instructor who passed away the day before the meeting. So Dorothy is going to be busy busy for the next few months.

Tom Mattox welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained the drives which were upcoming. He urged folks to keep an eye on the calendar, on the NEOMIATA website, to know when events are scheduled. Vice President, Ric Fornell commented on how well the Canebrake Resort drive went, even though more than twice as many people showed up for the drive than expected. The members applauded Ric for the drive he led. Club treasurer, Andy Anderson reported that the club now has a balance of \$2,451.57. Andy encouraged members to be prepared to pay their 2016 club dues, he is ready to start accepting them. No report from club secretary, Ron Coates, nor from the webmaster, Alan Doughty.

A new member, Suzanne Griffin, tried to slip into the meeting unnoticed, but the eagle eye of President Mattox did not miss seeing her tiptoe into the meeting. Ms. Griffin is the proud owner of a black 2016 Miata, members welcomed her into the club. Tom also announced that Andy Anderson had acquired new window stickers that identify club members to others. Also, Andy had business cards printed up that we can slip under the windshield wipers of prospective club member. A new monogram shop had to be found to buy shirts from because Yvonne's, in Broken Arrow is closing due to health issues. The place to buy your club shirts is called Shirts & Stuff, 5079 W. 51st Street. Tulsa OK. 74107.

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George Walker rose to speak about Karine Thomas, who races at Hallett Raceway. George, who is quite a seasoned racer himself, urged anyone and everyone to try to get a ride with Karine any time it is offered. Her skills are excellent and George guarantees you will be thrilled if you ride with Karine. George also mentioned that he had his 2016 at the racetrack, and as luck would have it, he had his wife's friend in the new car with him on the track....the friend was pretty impressed with the ride. George explained how different driving students at Hallett can be....some who are reserved and shy can be the best drivers, while sometimes those who boast at how much driving experience they have had can be some of the most easily shaken up by a truly fast lap at Hallett. George and Garry Deaton have scouted out a rally for the club, to be announced later. Dave Laughrey, who is heading up the Veterans Day Parade for the club, urged folks to consider participating in the parade this year. If interested in participating, you can reach Dave by looking in the club directory for his phone number and email address. Bill Curts discussed the theory behind tinting car windows. He explained that you do not need to get the darkest tint to keep the car interior cool, just tinting them will keep the car cooler. Even a light tint is enough to keep 85% of the sun's UV rays out. He can tell you where he got his done, and how much they charge. He also put reflective tape so his car can be seen better at night. He had special decals put on the side of his car that say "MX-5 S.E.". Bill also told about the drive he led the weekend prior to the meeting, he took the drivers to Soda Steves. Everyone had a great time on that drive. Bill Curts led those who wanted to go to the Sonic, after Tom Mattox adjourned the meeting.

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