

MARCH EVENTS

March 16, Wednesday, Meeting Night 7 p.m. at Uncle Bucks Grill inside Bass Pro Shops, Broken Arrow

March 19 – ISLE OF CAPRI DRIVE: We will be going on an easy cruise to a restaurant that opened in 1950, and has been in the same location for 66 years. We will start from the Quick Trip across from the Blue Bell Ice-cream Plant in Broken Arrow. Show up at 10:00, drivers meeting at 10:15 and depart at 10:30. We'll go south through Coweta, Porter, around Muskogee, through Warner, Porum, Longtown, Eufaula, Canadian, Indianola and on to our final destination which is the Isle of Capri restaurant in Krebs, OK. We will arrive at approximately 1:00 for lunch. If we allow an hour for lunch, we can leave at 2:00 and you should be back in Tulsa by 4:30. I promise you some of the best roads in Oklahoma, and a nice easy trip. The Isle of Capri takes cash and plastic but they frown on out of town checks, so plan accordingly. The lunch will be \$15.00-\$18.00 per person, so plan accordingly. If you enjoy Italian food at its best, come and join us. The Isle of Capri normally does not open for lunch on Saturday but they will open for us provided we have between 15-20 people. If you plan to attend, please R.S.V.P. to me at rifornell@sbcglobal.net or my cell phone 918-618-3939 or the Eufaula Herb Shop 918-689-1822. Here is looking forward to a nice easy simple trip with good people, great cars and fabulous food. Isle of Capri Website

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE : TOM MATTOX

We had a very nice drive this last weekend the weather could not have been better most of the top didn't come down till after lunch when it warmed up nicely. Bob & Linda Schwarz made this drive possible thanks to them we had about 12 cars go on this drive. The next drive is on March 12 that is the Saint Patty Day parade in Eureka Springs and this will be the last daytime parade they will be having I have been told. We will be leaving from the McDonalds at 129th and I-44 at 8:00 am sharp so we need to meet at 7:30 am and have a short drives meeting at 7:50 am. We will have a pit stop at the Visitor center in Siloam Springs as we have before they take good care of us there. We should arrive at Eureka Springs at 10:30 to 11:00 am where we will have a light lunch at Tim & Carol Smith's house before we go down to the parade. There is parking at the top of the hill as you turn to go toward the downtown area. We can park there and ride the tram down town so we do not have to worry about finding parking. The parade should last about 2 hours after which we will get back on the tram and go back up to get in our cars for the drive back. If anyone wants to stay in town a little more just let me know so we do not go off and leave without someone. If you think you might like to go if you could RSVP me so i have an idea how many might be going that would be great. My number is 918-629-1540 or text me would be find. Ric Fornell will be having a drive on the March 19th for a great lunch somewhere down by where he lives. Check you emails during the month for any changes or details of the trips. Hope to see as many can make the next drive. Zoom Zoom.

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES : RON COATES

President Tom Mattox called the February meeting of the NEO Miata Club to order promptly at seven in the evening. He welcomed everyone to the meeting and commented on the beautiful weather we have had, even asked for a show of hands of those who drove with the top down on February 17! A good number of those in attendance had done so. Tom asked Janie Hewett to introduce herself to the club, because she had not been able to make it to a meeting in a long time.

Alex James, the son of Steve James joined the club, along with David and Patti Runnels. The other members of the club introduced themselves to the folks in attendance. Teresa and Dugger commented that they finally got their personalized tag...it says "CRVHUGR" because it hugs the curves so well!

After completing the President's report, Tom asked John Ream, the Vice-President, if he had anything to report...neither he, the secretary, nor the web master had anything new to report. The Treasurer, Andy Anderson, did report on the club's bank balance, it was currently at \$755.38, with several checks waiting for deposit that he received earlier in the evening.

Tom Mattox mentioned that the club needs to fill the position of event coordinator, someone who would help other members plan drives and events. The club really needs someone who could do that. So, please feel free to lend a hand if you can. Tom has several drives in the works, and urged members to check the calendar for updates, on the NEOMIATA website. Carol and Tim Smith are going to help our club with the St. Patrick Day parade in Eureka Springs. March 12th is the date, but check the website for all the details Ric Fornell told us about a drive he is leading on March 19. He described an interesting itinerary; I think the people who go on this drive will have a nice "adventure". The highlight will be lunch at the "Isle of Capri", in Krebs OK; they are opening special, just for the club. So please show up for this drive, it helps to have a big turn out when someone opens his or her business up JUST FOR US!

Bob Schwarz told about the drive that he was going to lead on February 27, to Welch OK. Bob also had some parts that are from his Copper Red Miata and some handouts from Nelson Miata that he shared with the club. Bob invented a device to help kill the glare on the windshield for his third generation car, he was tired of seeing the reflection of the "hood" of the instrument cluster, looked like a great idea, ask him about this when you find it disturbs you. He then went on to explain how to clean out the rain gutters in our Miata. They are prone to clogging, and that can put water into your trunk.

The Drillers baseball team has a program where they let car clubs come to a Sunday game and recognizes them during the game. You get to park your cars in a reserved area, and the club members get to sit in a special section. Ron Coates asked if there was any interest in our club participating. There seemed to be considerable interest, so Ron is going to pursue this activity. Independent Rally Master, Gary Deaton, and George Walker spoke about the rally that they are hoping to put on for the club. Tom gave away some door prizes, and then used his gavel to conclude the meeting.

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