



## JUNE EVENTS

**04 - MEET & GREET:** We will be having a Meet & Greet on June 4<sup>th</sup>, which is the first Saturday of the month. We will meet at the QT on 71st street across from the mall off Hwy 75 at 10 am drive meeting at 10:20 leave at 10:30 to drive to the River Spirit casino for lunch. Which for most will be around \$6.99 plus tax. Some people have been there before and say the buffet has most anything you might want to eat. After we eat, we will have a short drive if the weather is nice. RSVP if you plan to attend. You can text me at 918-629-1540 or call me at the same 918-629-1540. Your drive leader is Tom Mattox

**June 15, Wednesday, Meeting Night  
7 p.m. at Uncle Bucks Grill inside Bass Pro Shops, Broken**

**18 – DRIVE:** Details to follow.

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE : TOM MATTOX

We had a good group for the lunch drive to the Rock Cafe in Stroud Oklahoma. We had about 13 cars go on this drive and most had not ever been there before. We are going to have several drives going on this month and the next two months, so check the web site for updates so you do not miss a drive you might want to attend. If anyone has a meet & greet that they would like to set up just let me know so we can get it on the calendar ASAP. We will be having a drive on the 18<sup>th</sup> of June, so check the web site for details to follow. Hope to see as many that can attend the Meet & Greet on the June 4th Saturday drive. Zoom Zoom.

### PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES : RON COATES

On May 15, at seven pm, Club President, Tom Mattox, called the North Eastern Oklahoma Miata Club meeting to order. New members, Janet and Sean Scott, introduced themselves to the club. They are the proud owners of a 2016, Meteor Gray MX-5. The Hawkins, Janet and Jack reintroduced themselves to the club; they had been absent while they were getting the clutch repaired on their 1997 Blue Miata.

Tom welcomed everyone to the May meeting, and asked for officer reports, the only officers with anything to report were the Treasurer, Andy Anderson and Webmaster, Alan Doughty. Andy reported the club had \$2114.98 and Alan was pleased to report, he only has twelve days left at work!

John Ream started the member introductions with a report that he replaced his timing belt and did some other work on his 2001 car. The microphone was passed around so people could brag on their particular Miatas. It seems that Papa Joe Bohannon and Duane Will have the more unusual shades of red that Mazda puts on Miatas!

Bob Schwarz had a few things to tell the club. For instance, the "NA" through "ND" designations for the different Miata generations came from the Vehicle Identification Numbers.....While sometimes we refer to the second generation of Miata's as NB, (cars produced from 1999 to 2005) we often have no idea where this designation came from. If you look at the fourth and fifth characters of your VIN, you will see that they are either ND, NC, NB or NA. Bob also has a complaint about the thin oil that Mazda recommends for newer Miatas. SAE 0W-20. He thinks the oil is too thin, and leads to a metal-to-metal start up.

Under "Old Business", President Mattox reported on the leisurely drive and weekend spent on the Spring Fling drive to the diamond mine in Arkansas. Everyone agreed that we had a pleasant time visiting at the motel in the evenings and at the various meals. Tom also reported that the Burn Co meet and brunch was a great success just two weeks after the diamond mine drive.

"New Business" included the Rock Cafe drive that is to be held on Saturday, May 21.

Bob Schwarz explained that Burn Co would hold your order for the next day, if you call in the day before, they will hold your order and you will not need to stand in the long lines. Bob told newer members how some of the different two-way radio brands work. Being a fan of trains, Bob wanted to offer for our consideration, a train ride from Springdale Arkansas to Van Buren Arkansas. Many of the folks voiced interest, but they wanted to wait until July or August. Glass blowing was the last subject that Bob raised. Blue Sage Studios in Oklahoma City is where Bob's son does glass blowing. We might have a drive to watch that work in progress, a bit later in the year.

Wayne Roth inquired about the "Dragon" in North Carolina. The Tail of the Dragon is a stretch of road near Deals Gap, North Carolina...along the North Carolina-Tennessee border. 318 curves in 11 miles that motorcyclists and sports car drivers LOVE to drive. Wayne wondered if club members recommended it, and there was a consensus that those who had driven it, loved it. George Walker related the story about how Brad and Jan Coody rolled their car after making the drive.

Ric Fornell reminded the club that Gil and Marilyn Steidley are going to provide our lunch Saturday July the 23 at their home in the Eufala area.

There was a nice 17" wheel and tire donated to the club from a third generation Miata. It is a beautiful wheel, but it is not the stock wheel...so it does not match the other wheels. No one stepped forward wanting the tire and wheel...but if YOU would like it, please contact Ron Coates at [secretary@neomiata.com](mailto:secretary@neomiata.com)

Door prizes were given away and the President adjourned the meeting just before eight pm.

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