



## DECEMBER EVENTS

**03 – CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY:** We will have our Christmas party at Nelson Mazda, 9902 S Memorial Dr, Tulsa, OK 74133, starting at 6:00 pm until about 9:00 pm. Please contact Tom Mattox to rsvp 918-629-1540 or tandj@hit.net. Anyone who would like to help with the setting up of tables and chairs should be there by 4:30 pm if possible. This is a catered meal so we need a good head count if you plan to attend.

After we have dinner, we will have a door prize drawing and then move inside show room to begin Dirty Santa gift exchange. Please limit your gifts to around \$20.00 if possible and bring one gift per couple or one gift per person who attends. We will put our gifts around the Christmas tree they have in Show room area. This is the last event of the year and past years we all have had so much fun at this one event. We want to thank Nelson Mazda for letting us use their place of business for this event.

## PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES : RON COATES

The November meeting of the Miata Club was called to order at seven p.m. on November 16th. When asked if there were any new members in attendance, Tom Needham spoke up, he and his wife Frankye own a 2006 Galaxy Gray Miata. The microphone was then passed around to the members so that they could introduce themselves and talk about their cars.

President, Tom Mattox, welcomed everyone to the meeting and expressed his gratitude that so many people came out on election night for the club. He also called for officer reports, but there were none other than the report of the club balance of \$1,450.44. Alan Doughty, our Webmaster, pointed out that he hopes Ruth Will is going to put her name on one of the new power retracting hard tops that are due out in a couple months. Ruth seemed interested, but Mr. Will seemed less anxious to spend the money! The President of the club brought up the subject of raising the dues...they have been the same since the club was formed. Much discussion was generated but finally, after a motion was made and seconded to increase the dues by five dollars a year, effective January 1st, 2017...a vote was taken and the proposition passed.

Christmas Party reservations are being urged, for the upcoming club party on December 3. The party will be held on Saturday evening at the Mazda dealer...there will also be a Dirty Santa event after dinner, please bring a gift valued at no less than \$20 and no more than \$30...of, if you bring two gifts, as a couple you may draw for two gifts.

When it came time for elections, Bob Schwarz volunteered to remain the event coordinator. When no one volunteered for the Webmaster or the newsletter and name tags, Ron Coates volunteered to take the newsletter and name tags, and Alan Doughty volunteered to stay as the Webmaster. The Treasurer's office was taken over by Ron McDowell. The Secretary's position had no volunteers, so Ron Coates will keep doing that job for another year. The position of Vice-President was filled by Ric

Fornell once again, and the President will remain Tom Mattox's job. BUT, we must have some new blood take some of the positions in the future. It is unfair for the same people to keep doing all the work in the club. It is a purely volunteer organization, and people should be replaced so that they do not become overworked and quit participating in club duties. It was so nice to have Ron McDowell step up and volunteer for the Treasurers job. This gave Andy Anderson a break and will put a new person on the executive board.

Tom Mattox asked the opinion of the members in attendance as to what their favorite drives from last year were, as he was trying to get a feel for what the majority of the members liked their drives to be. He urged people to volunteer to lead drives in the upcoming year, if nothing else, just a short drive to meet and eat at their favorite restaurant. Our event coordinator, Bob Schwarz explained that his idea for a "Dry Run Drive" was just to generate some interest in folks to perhaps lead a drive in the future. As he said, it can be as simple or complex as the drive leader wants the drive to be. We are all out to enjoy our cars and the company of fellow club members. Bob Schwarz also described what was an upcoming drive to a place near Keys Oklahoma, where they filmed part of the movies, Where the Red Fern Grows. He explained what to expect and when to meet for that drive.

Bill Curts brought some business cards from Bill Medicine Crow, a mechanic who used to work at Nelson Mazda, but who is out on his own now. Bill knows the Miata inside and out. Bill Curts recommends him highly to club members who need service, but cannot afford to take it to the dealer. Bob and Susan Ibanez were able to attend the meeting, and they reported that their son, who had been badly burned in an accident, was much improved and recovering quite well.

The meeting was adjourned and we all enjoyed visiting after the meeting.

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