

## Naturally Topless

### Save the Dates: upcoming events

**March 17:** St. Patrick's Day Parade  
**March 24 and 25** Louisiana Crawfish run  
**April 21:** Arkansas Grand Canyon (Jasper)  
**May 5** Bull Shoals Ferry Ride with brown bag picnic  
**June 16** Memphis run for fun and BBQ  
**July 14** Breakfast run to Cracker Barrel  
**August 18** Shortest Drive: The Joint/Argenta  
**September 15** Drive In movie – Marshall,  
**October** overnight Ft. Smith  
**November** Mt. View for fish dinner  
**December** 1– Cheers Christmas Brunch



### Open board meetings

Third Thursday each month  
Corky's McCain Blvd.

6:15 ish side room off the Bar

General membership meetings:

June – September – October 2018

### March 17: St. Patrick's Day Parade



We have once again made arrangements to participate in the annual St. Patrick's day parade. Come join us Saturday, March 17 at 11:00 – 6<sup>th</sup> and Main is the Staging area. Ask where the Miata club is gathering. The club has some decorations to share and you can bring a few of your own, dig out your green floppy hat, and come join us, bring scissors and car friendly tape, (we will have some to share as well). The parade begins at 1:00 at Sixth & Main in North Little Rock and ending at Third and Cumberland Streets in Little Rock, they are running backwards this year. We must have our cars decorated and ready to stage by noon with a prompt 1:00 start time. Bring a snack or lunch and drinks, (No alcoholic beverages) and a lawn chair for crowd watching while we wait. Most importantly for those not participating in the parade driving portion of the day, watch for a facebook, email blast or text or call one of us announcing a gathering spot away from downtown to gather for a social time with late lunch or early dinner. Make a suggestion of your favorite spot if you like.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> March event is the Crawfish poker run to Monroe, Louisiana

March 24 and 25<sup>th</sup>

What a wonderful trip this is turning out to be! First things first, if you plan to attend Saturday and Sunday portion of the event, make your reservation for Saturday night, March 24 at the Comfort Inn and Suites (I20 – 213 Constitution Drive – West Monroe) phone is 318-361-0750. Mention Arkansas Miata Club for best rate.

Co-hosts Clyde and Carolyn Knapp have found us a better dinner option: Cormier's Cajun Catering & Restaurant that will provide all of us with multiple food options, ordering off the menu, they are listed under google search and trip advisor as a Cajun specialty with cajun delights (crawfish, shrimp, catfish and more).

We will be meeting at the Starbucks at 8:30 Saturday morning, March 24 with a drivers' meeting, poker cards, thoughts and a brief discussion about roads

Stops, what to expect and perhaps options for lunch. (suggestions always welcomed) There are lots of things to do in and around Monroe, we should arrive in plenty of time for lunch, hotel check-in, a little sight seeing, maybe a special drive (not in this particular order) and maybe a little down time. This event is a work in progress with time to do and see Sunday before heading home so please check out the online sights and make a suggestion. Mark your calendar for a save the date weekend, make your hotel reservations, RSVP if interested to [miata2003@abcglobal.net](mailto:miata2003@abcglobal.net) and watch for more details as they develop. (bring \$5 to play trip poker)

## Upcoming events – mark your calendar to save the date:

**April 21:** Arkansas Grand Canyon (Jasper) we will be meeting at the McDonalds, Hwy 9 exit, Morrilton, Arkansas at 9:15 for a brief meeting, road discussion – radio distribution – poker cards (bring \$5 to play), winding and curvy roads are on the agenda as well as the vista of the Arkansas Grand Canyon. A trip of this magnitude cannot be embarked without a trip to the Jasper Square and *the Cafe* for a 12:15 lunch (for those meeting us for lunch). More details to follow- date and time are firm to plan.

**May 5:** Bull Shoals Ferry Ride with brown bag picnic- Meet at 8:30 at the Sports Academy parking lot, Wildwood Exit off of 67/167. We will have a short drivers' meeting and prepare to depart on a fantastic road adventure. The Ferry at Bull Shoals, if history serves me correctly, is the last remaining Ferry operating in Arkansas. Although the ferry at Bull Shoals basically goes nowhere of interest that makes it especially interesting for the Arkansas Miata Club, in that we often pick the road less traveled. (Hahahahaa). Brown bag lunch picnic. The ferry ride to no-where actually takes to a beautiful park for a picnic if you have room, bring you lawn chair, there are tables for dining and a little social time – we have only done this ride once before but it proved to be an event that should be done annually.

**June 16:** Memphis run for fun and BBQ – Meeting at 8:30 a.m. Saturday morning, June 16 in the parking lot of Wal-Mart on East McCain for a trip to Memphis and world famous bbq, Yum-Yum. Save the date and time, details to follow.



Monogrammed  
Miata Club Chairs  
(club logo and your name)

(sample – for illustration Purposes only)

**Arkansas Miata Club chairs – what a wonderful idea – THAT DID NOT PAN OUT SO WELL. Only one or two of the chairs dropped off for logo and names were done, either the chair was too old, too new, too small or the backing was not removable. Anyway, your chair is ready to be returned as it was dropped off. The 2018 Arkansas Miata Club board is working on other ideas to share with you. Join us at any board meeting at Corkys' – third Thursday of each month. 6:15.**

**You may also email, text or facebook, thoughts and ideas.**

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We have had tremendous club participation so far this year both during the driving event and the board meetings.

Website back up and better than ever

Address is: \_\_\_\_\_

Also check us out on face book.

If you have a newsletter or event suggestion, you may email:

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Also, please RSVP to: [Miata2003@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Miata2003@sbcglobal.net)

**All suggestions appreciated**

Check out the calendar and event details – PLEASE RSVP for events – Board Meetings – we just add another table

