

It is actually not so bad to be a dinosaur, the formatting for this newsletter came from a 2010 edition

Upcoming Events:

June 10 – Pool Party (Sherry Heiser)

June 15 – Board Meeting – JoJo BBQ - Sherwood

July 15 Shortest Drive
Pizza at Gusano's (Rivermarket) /
trek to The Joint Argenta/North
Little Rock

July 20 Board Meeting
La Hacienda - Benton

August 12, TSD rally

August 17, Board Meeting
Sakura Restaurant / Keihl -Sherwood

September ___ event

September 21, Board meeting
Need a location_____

October 7, 8 – Four Mountain Tour

October 19, Board meeting

Our esteemed newsletter editor, Earl Wilde has had a busy work schedule come up and JR and I volunteered to assist with newsletters for a while, thus, the dinosaur theme. We invite anyone that wishes to contribute an anecdote, thought for a miata run/event, article to be included, perhaps anything someone might wish to read to send your thoughts to:

Miata2003@sbcglobal.net

Check out the upcoming events to the left. In addition to upcoming events to mark your calendar with a save the date, board meetings, time and locations are noted. It is a great way to spend an evening meal, discuss the club and events and be a part of our thought process. We don't always have time to update the club during an event with the interworking process of the board so attending the meeting is a great way to socialize with other club members and be a part of the voting process that creates our events.

See a blurb further down for a note from our overworked and under paid President, Mr. J.R. Mills.



This newsletter is a save the date abbreviated version, it is the dinosaur's intent to have newsletters published on or before the 5th of each month with event details for current and next events, teaser for third outs and save the date for remaining calendar notices.

Notes from El Presidente (J.R. Mills)

Welcome, Miata Clubbers, to the back side of May, 2017. Your club officers have been busy the last two months coming up with events for the remainder of the year. We think there are some good ones, so check the schedule elsewhere in the newsletter for what's on tap.

Speaking of on tap, we are still working on a replacement date for the trip to Dickey Stephens Ballpark and an Arkansas Travelers game after a stop off at Diamond Bear Brewing. Stay tuned for that one.

Our next event, info elsewhere in this issue, is a pool party at Sherry Heiser's house in Sherwood. Come on out and enjoy some great hospitality, and you may even get to see the Save the Whales group trying to keep me wet and roll me back into the surf!

I am particularly glad to remind everyone of the return of the original Four Mountain Tour! We have had some wonderful times in the past, and hopefully this event will be a continuation of that legacy. Save the date, October 7-8, so you won't be left wishing you had made it. Oh, and what four mountains are we touring you might ask? We wave at Pinnacle Mountain on the way by, and drive across Petit Jean Mountain, drive to the top of Mt. Nebo, and across the tallest mountain in Arkansas, Mt. Magazine. And the driving is only the tip of the iceberg. Trip poker, t-shirts, fine dining, wine tasting, door prizes, entertainment, it's all included, as is hanging out with fun folks and old friends.

On a more philosophical note, I was washing my little buddy Bob today, my now 28 year old Miata bought new in 1989. It occurred to me that I loved him when I bought him, and he has provided me more pure driving pleasure than I probably deserve. Still, his main effect on my life has been the friends and relationships I've developed through the Miata Club over the years. It's been a joy. So here's to 28 more years of fun and friendship, sharing and caring, driving and eating (of course!) and enjoying our faithful automotive companions.

Don't make us come after you....

Club Events



We need your participation, please an RSVP – would be a bonus

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You are invited to send a thought or article for publication; a suggestion for an event

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POOL PARTY POOL PARTY POOL PARTY!

Saturday – June 10, 2017

(this from J.R. Mills – times changed to match – Sherry note below)
On June 10th Sherry Heiser has graciously agreed to host our next event, a pool party at her house, 201 Pumice Drive in Sherwood. The club is providing snacks and you need to bring your own adult beverages as necessary. Also, water wings, floaties and life jackets as needed. There will be a short drive prior to the event, meeting at the corner of Maryland and Highway 107 in Sherwood at 12:30. If you don't want to drive, go straight to Sherry's house at 2:00 p.m. Hope to see you there!

(This note from Sherry)
Please join us at Sherry's house (201 Pumice Drive, Sherwood, AR 72120) on June 10 from 2 to 6 pm for a pool party! Whole Hog BBQ is on the menu. Please feel free to bring lawn chairs, coolers, and don't forget your sunscreen, beach feet, and towels! Weather permitting, just enter through the back gate on the right side of the house.

We hope to see you there!

**JUNE BOARD MEETING
Thursday – June 15, 2017**

The June meeting of the board of the Arkansas Miata Club will be held at JoJo's BBQ, 117 Country Club Road in Sherwood, at 6:30 p.m. Come visit with the board as we wrestle with the hard choices, like brisket or ribs!

July 20 Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.
La Hacienda - Benton



Saturday - July 15 Shortest Drive

Pizza in River Market / trek to The Joint Argenta/North Little Rock



River Market District
313 President Clinton Avenue
Little Rock, AR 72201

Meet at **Gusano's** at 5:00, reservations in Arkansas Miata Club name; after dinner we will circle up for a trek across the river to **the Joint** in Argenta. (do the best you can with parking – we will attempt to park at the bank) **Please RSVP to miata2003@sbcglobal.net or a text to 501-416-3850 – or a post on the Club facebook BUT RSVP please**



July 15, 2017

FEAR OF DUCKS!
Precious Trees is Arkansas' most planned, planned community, and home to a popular televangelist known as The Very Reverend Jiffy Dillard. So when X-rated hip hop artist A.C. Adapter comes to perform at the local arena, a First Amendment battle ensues, making this once peaceful suburb the focus of national attention.

Tickets to the Joint - \$24, show starts at 8:00

The Return of the Four Mountain Tour

Pinnacle Petit Jean Nebo Magazine

Weekend of October 7 and 8, 2017 – with an October 6 (Friday night Dinner / hotel)

Save the date – information for club publication and invitation to participate

(Watch for future newsletters as plans develop and details are confirmed)

Trip Hosts: J.R. Mills and Debbie Wisdom

Friday – October 6, arrival of the out-of-towners – probably looking at Best Western-Sherwood for the Friday night hotel – Dinner social – looking at Whole Hog BBQ which is just down the road – trip bag distribution.

Saturday morning, October 7, meet at 7:30 a.m. at Starbucks on Hwy 10 & Sam Peck (12901 Cantrell Road) for drivers meeting and commencement of the Four Mountain Journey. – Waive at Pinnacle mountain, headed to Petit Jean, crossing Nebo and Magazine.

What to expect along the way:

Great roads

Trip bag filled with goodies

Trip Poker (with plenty of Stops)

Lunch at Pizza Hut in Dardanelle

A tour of Post Winery

Dinner at Wiederkehr's Weinkeller Restaurant (private room)

(Bartender – Cash bar – buy a bottle of wine for dinner)

A long sleeve Arkansas Miata Club T-shirt (gray or red – except for 1 white one)

Door prizes

Entertainment: Match Game (as seen on TV and reformatted for the Miata Club use)

Looking at hotels in and around Ozark, Arkansas – Details are coming together

Trip cost is \$45.00 per person and will get you Lunch and Dinner Saturday, October 7, an entry into the Arkansas Miata Club world of Trip Poker, a long sleeved t-shirt, a trip bag to be shared with car companion and hopefully the enjoyment of a fun filled weekend and fellowship.

RSVPs will be required probably sometime around Labor day to allow for the printing of the t-shirts.

Registration forms with meal choices (Pizza Hut I think we did choices of 1 topping pan pizza, sandwich or a salad with drink) (Wiederkehr should be a choice of chicken or beef with potato, vegetable, salad with water, tea or coffee – maybe dessert) will be published as details are finalized. If you have a friend with a Miata, send the info, the more the better.

Match game highlights

We will have a Master of Ceremonies, Host of the Show, Judges (at least 2), player A and player B, at least 6 panelist, maybe 8, a coin tosser and a score keeper. Question cards will be prepared before hand and kept under lock and key, and shuffled prior to the start of the game. Coin toss will determine who has the first question, player A or player B. Each player will have the opportunity to answer at least 3 questions. The panelist will record their answers before the player responds. The recorded answers will be shown to the audience – 1 point per matched answer – each question will be worth 6 to 8 points depending on number of panelist playing.



Upcoming Events: 2017 Refrigerator Calendar

Month	Date	Trip Host	Description
June	6/10/2017	J.R. Mills Sherry Heiser	12:30 Meet JR Mills at Corner of Maryland and HWY 107 in Sherwood for short drive – ending at pool party 2:00 Pool Party – Sherry Heiser home 201 Pumice Drive, Sherwood, AR
June	6/15/2017		6:30 Board Meeting – JoJo BBQ 117 Country Club Road, Sherwood
July	7/15/2017 7/20/2017	J.R. Mills	Shortest Drive – Eat at Gusano's / The Joint in Argenta 7:00 Board Meeting – La Hacienda - Benton
August	8/12/2017 8/17/2017	Debbie & JR	TSD rally Board Meeting – 6:30 Sakura Restaurant / Keihl -Sherwood
September	9/___/2017 9/21/2017		_____ event Board meeting - Need a location_____
October	10/7/ and 10/8/2017 10/19/2017	JR and Debbie	Return of the Four Mountain Tour Friday night Dinner/Saturday and Sunday Drive Board Meeting _____
November	11/___/2017 11/17/2017		_____ event Board Meeting _____
December	_____		Christmas Party

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

FYI, any changes between newsletter publications and event date and time – due to unforeseen circumstances - will be posted to Arkansas Miata Club Website and Facebook and when possible, an email blast will be sent.

The Dinosaur