



# Miata Talk

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# October LSMC Meeting!

**Thursday, Oct. 24, 2013**



*Dinner and meeting will be 6-8:30.  
We will have a private room.*

## Lone Star Miata Club Officers for **2013**

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# Miata Meeting Notes

Miata club

September meeting

7:30 p.m-8:05 p.m. at Willhoite's in Grapevine, Craig Nelson presiding

Old business

- Head for the Mountains trip led by the Bluebonnet Club from San Antonio over Labor Day weekend. The Bluebonnet club made T-shirts and goody bags with the trip logo. McDonald Observatory was open Friday night for a star party, with telescopes set up outside. Balloon fest on Saturday morning. Stopped in Terlingua for souvenirs. River road drive — road was under construction but it was still fun. Some of the group went into Big Bend park to Rio Grande Junction and ran into a Miata couple from Marble Falls.

- Loco Coyote run led by Bruce and Ruth Gibson on Sept. 14. We had 9 cars for the drive, and 3 went to Brazos drive in after dinner. The group ran into Bill and Darlene Durning as we arrived at Loco Coyote. He had missed the start at Texas Motor Speedway and came to the restaurant on his own. John and Lois Nagely also joined us at Loco Coyote.

New business

- The Miata Roundup hosted by Austin's Tejas Miata Club will be in San Marcos over Halloween weekend. A track day is included in events planned. (See <http://www.texasmiataroundup.com/> for details.)

- Miatas at the State Fair on Oct. 6. Richard Rogers gave details for participating.

- Elections are coming up in March 2014. It's not too early to consider taking a leading role in YOUR club. The newsletter/communications job is probably the most difficult, and Julia Kuhn will stay in that position. The president role is simply running the meetings. Janine Nelson will remain membership.

- Richard Rogers discussed a 2<sup>nd</sup> annual run of the Dallas marathon route. He is thinking of the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in November, followed by a lunch outing at El Fenix.

Birthdays

Craig Nelson

Guests: Doug and Iliana Walter, who have a 1995 black Miata with silver racing stripes.

New member: Richard Swim has a red 2006 SE. He found out about the club via an Internet search.

Door prizes: Stan Beckham, Sean Bryan, Charles Ferguson, Freda Wells

50/50: Lana Davis

Secretary

Julia Kuhn

## Website update

Anthony has secured a new website address for us. LSMiata.org now links to our Wordpress site, and the email addresses in the officers' box now forward to our correct email addresses. We hope these changes will make it easier for folks to find us when searching on the Internet.

# Loco Coyote run

In September, the LSMC traveled to Loco Coyote for a huge dinner, followed by a visit to the Brazos Drive-In in Granbury. The trip was led by Bruce and Ruth Gibson. Thanks for a fun time!



Photos by Yvonne Dodgen



# Head for the Mountains



Members of the Lone Star Miata Club joined the Bluebonnet Club for a Labor Day weekend in the Davis Mountains. Events included a balloon fest, a visit to McDonald observatory, checking out the Playboy bunny near Marfa, and a run along Highway 170 from Presidio to Terlingua.

Photos by Yvonne Dodgen.

# Events & Items of Interest

***Anyone planning anything? Contact Craig or Julia.***

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Are you ready for a Halloween sign hunt? How about some east Texas scenery? And we have lots of puns for your enjoyment! No special car needed. Just a full tank of gas, pencil and a sense of humor.

## The Great Pumpkin Rally

**Date - Saturday, 26 October 2013**

Start – Fiat of McKinney

800 N Central Expressway

McKinney, TX 75070

Registration opens at 9:00 am

Safety Briefing 10:00 am

First Car out 10:30am

Ending – Downtown Paris for the Festival of Pumpkins (arts, crafts, antiques and other stuff!)

Register (and more information) at [msreg.com/GPR13msr](http://msreg.com/GPR13msr)

This is an SCCA GTA rally. This is not a timed event. The time given to finish the event will be generous. Any kind of street-legal four-wheel vehicle with at least two people aboard who can read may enter.

You will want to preregister at MotorsportReg.com because then you will be mailed the rally rules a few days before the event.

This is the fifth event in the 2013 Texas Region SCCA Championship RoadRally Series, sanctioned as a Regional Rally by SCCA, and is a part of the National SCCA RoadRally Championship. Sanction Number 2013-RG-41-04. See [www.texasscca.org/rallytime](http://www.texasscca.org/rallytime).

Join us!

# Tejas Miata Club of Austin Texas



*Is Proud to Announce*

## **Heart of Texas Miata Roundup 2013** **October 31st ★ November 3rd**

We invite all Miata Enthusiasts to join us as we  
Celebrate the Texas Miata Roundup 2013.

This Miata Roundup takes place in the Heart of Texas  
**San Marcos, Texas**

*TejasMiata looks forward to welcoming all  
for a fun-filled Roundup!*

All registration, hotel, and activity details are available at  
The Texas Miata Roundup Web Site:

**[www.texasmiataroundup.com](http://www.texasmiataroundup.com)**

# From your editor

Don't forget the photo sharing site at <http://lonestarmiataclub.shutterfly.com/>. You have to create a free Shutterfly account to gain access. I know many of you (including me) already had a Shutterfly account, so it should be an easy way for us to share photos of events and "stuff."

When you lead a drive, please download and print participant waivers from <http://lsmiata.org/events/>. There is a track waiver and a street/rally waiver, so print the right one. It's a good idea to have maps with your phone number printed on them for a trip. Also be sure to bookmark the home page <http://lsmiata.org> to get all the latest information about us.

Janine has cards to leave on Miatae we see out and about. This is a great way to invite them to the club. Pick your cards up from her.

I have included all the upcoming events I know about. If you have anything you would like to see in the newsletter please let me know. Please feel free to contact me at [JuliaKuhn90@alumni.unc.edu](mailto:JuliaKuhn90@alumni.unc.edu).

Julia

**Hey, NICE Miata!**

***If you would like to get together with  
a fun group of people who appreciate  
and drive their Miata, then look us up  
on  
Facebook at Lone Star Miata Club  
or at  
lsmiata.wordpress.com***

DALLAS / FT. WORTH

# FOR SALE!



**DON'T FORGET TO SEE OUR VICE PRESIDENT, RICHARD ROGERS, AND GET YOUR DOOR MAGNETS AND LOGO PINS!**

*Both items are excellent quality and only require a very reasonable donation. I think you'll find them well worth the money.*

*Richard orders the magnets in batches. If you don't want to wait for the next batch, be sure to purchase them when he has them on hand.*

*Richard also can order coffee mugs and T-shirts with the club logo.*



Mugs are available for about \$12, and shirts are available for around \$10. Contact Richard for details.

Pins are still \$2 each or 10 for \$15. Richard also has door magnets to show off when we drive as a group.



# Classifieds:



*Premier Designs*

High Fashion Jewelry

**Peggy Chaney**

*Designer*

1016 Magnolia Drive  
Carrollton, Texas 75007

(972) 839-3811

(972) 245-3184

Pchaney41@yahoo.com



**MAZDA of MESQUITE**

**Hosted LSMC on  
May 17, 2011**

***Suzy Bangs***

***Zoom-Zoom Specialist***

15900 LBJ Freeway  
Mesquite, TX 75150  
972-686-6200

[sbangs@mazdaofmesquite.com](mailto:sbangs@mazdaofmesquite.com)

Hawaiian style Miata shirts (modeled  
by Craig) are available at  
[Thompson-Automotive.com](http://Thompson-Automotive.com).



*From our Facebook page:*

**Justin Brown**

**Possibly looking to trade my 1992 C Package "Black Miata" for a 1999-2000 NB w/ ~100k or less, or another clean low mileage NA. The car is very clean and well kept, clean title, and drives great. I have all the information and specs you need in the link below. You can contact me by the phone number that I left in the ad, or send me a message on my facebook. Thanks.**

**<http://dallas.craigslist.org/dal/cto/4077927331.html>**

**Julia has 4 tires and wheels for an NA. I got them for free, so I'm not looking to make any money off them, but make an offer which will be donated to the club.**

**Haven't seen anything else this month. Have you? Let Julia know.**



## LSMC Logo Stuff

Contact our Vice President, Richard Rogers at [VP@lsmiata.org](mailto:VP@lsmiata.org) for LSMC Logo merchandise being offered through the club. You also can buy merchandise at Panda Embroidery, 351 East Huggins, Grapevine, TX 76051 (817-488-4151). Panda can embroider items in a thread color of your choice including one that matches your Miata!

## Newsletter Submissions & Distribution

Ads, announcements, articles, trip reports and other contributions to the newsletter are **encouraged**. Email submissions to [Newsletter@lsmiata.org](mailto:Newsletter@lsmiata.org). Attachments may be in .pdf, .txt, Word or WordPerfect format. Pictures may be in any of the usual formats such as .gif, .jpg, png, etc. If I have any problems with document or picture format, I will contact you. Don't worry about spelling, grammar, artwork, layout, etc. I'm just pleased to receive input and will take care of the editing and cosmetics! Also, if you find something interesting online, please send me the link. Input is welcome anytime, but must be received prior to the publishing deadline (usually the first of the month) to be in the next issue.

NOTE: If you want the newsletter sent to more than one email address, your secondary driver, or anyone else, please send your name (so I know you're a member) and the email address(es) to [Newsletter@lsmiata.org](mailto:Newsletter@lsmiata.org).

ANOTHER NOTE: Member in Good Standing (you've paid your dues) may submit ad copy or info on their business. Does **not** have to be a Miata- or car-related business, but it must be **your** business. Others may advertise, too, for a fee. Contact the [President@lsmiata.org](mailto:President@lsmiata.org) for details.

## Two-Way Radios

For more fun on drives, if you don't have a two-way radio, get one. Without one, you miss out on a lot of chat and decision making as to stops, etc. Most importantly, should you get separated from the group or have car trouble; it makes it much easier for us to find you and assist you! LSMC uses GMRS/FRS radios for better range and reception. An operating license is not required when used in the FRS range.

## Stuff for Sale and Announcements

LSMC permits all members in good standing to place a free ad or event announcement in the LSMC Newsletter. The item should relate to the Miata or Club activities. This includes activities hosted by other clubs, Car-related events of general interest are also welcome. Contact the editor at [Newsletter@lsmiata.org](mailto:Newsletter@lsmiata.org) to place an ad or announcement.

## Change of Address & Member Info

Be sure to keep your contact information and particularly your email address up-to-date; you don't want to miss anything! Submit your email address, snail mail address, new car info and any other contact information changes to the Membership Officer at [Membership@lsmiata.org](mailto:Membership@lsmiata.org). A form also is available on our website. Just click 'Membership' and select the text 'update' to update your information.

## Blogsite and Facebook

Check out our **blogsite** at [lsmiata.org](http://lsmiata.org) for various information. For up-to-the-minute events information, member input and other stuff, visit our **Facebook** page at [Lone Star Miata Group](https://www.facebook.com/LoneStarMiataGroup). You may also consult the newsletter, which is published more or less monthly.

## Membership Notes...



### Membership Dues...2013 is here!

Your 2012 LSMC membership expired midnight, December 31, 2012. **PLEASE RENEW!!** Annual dues are **\$30.00**. Complete the renewal form included in this newsletter. The form also is available from me at the monthly meeting. Make checks payable to Lone Star Miata Club. Please fill out the renewal form **completely even if no information has changed**, and return it along with your check to the address below or give it to me at the monthly meeting. After March 31, 2013, add \$5 late fee. If your dues are not paid by the April 2013 meeting, your name and number are dropped from the membership roles.

### New Members

You may register to join our club at <http://lsmiata.org/join>. Print and complete the membership form. **Please do not use the renewal form.** You may email me. When I receive your information via our blogsite, I will email you the membership instructions. You also can download the printable form, fill it out and mail it together with your check to the address below or bring me your completed form and dues at the next club meeting. Read the form thoroughly and provide all the information requested. If you send me a hard copy form, **please** print clearly so that all your information and your email address will be correct in the club database. Be especially careful in printing your email address to ensure we record it correctly so that you will receive the newsletter and club announcements. If an item doesn't apply or you don't want to provide the information, put 'N/A'. Please do not leave any of the spaces blank. Dues are **\$30.00** per year. The amount varies according to when you join. If you join after January, the dues are prorated; please contact me for the correct amount. If you want name badges, be sure that the name on the form is the name you want on the badge! If you would like to see them before you buy, when you come to a club meeting, several members have them and will be glad to show them to you.

### Changes in Information

**Important!!** If your contact information changes, especially your email address, please email your updated information to me at [Membership@LSMiata.org](mailto:Membership@LSMiata.org). If you don't have email access, give your changes to me or a club officer at a meeting, or call me/mail them to me at:

Lone Star Miata Club  
334 Pebblebrook Drive  
DeSoto, Texas 75115  
(972) 223-3416

**Thank you!** ~ Janine Nelson, Membership Officer

# LONE STAR MIATA CLUB

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

Time to renew your membership! Annual dues are \$30. After March 31, 2013, add \$5 late fee. If your dues have not been paid by the April meeting, your name and number will be dropped from the membership roles. Make checks payable to **Lone Star Miata Club**. Please **complete** this form, **even if no information has changed**, and return it along with your check to:

Janine Nelson  
Lone Star Miata Club  
334 Pebblebrook Drive  
DeSoto, TX 75115-2910

Please provide the following information. To avoid errors, **please print legibly.**

PRIMARY DRIVER: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_  
(month) (day)

SECONDARY DRIVER: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_  
(month) (day)

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
(apt #, number, street)

\_\_\_\_\_ (city) \_\_\_\_\_ (ST) \_\_\_\_\_ (zip)

HOME: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ WORK: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ CELL: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS #1: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS #2: \_\_\_\_\_

Club notices and correspondence will be sent to all email addresses listed, but the newsletter will be sent **only** to the address specified: Email address #1: \_\_\_\_ ...OR Email address #2: \_\_\_\_

(Please advise if you have not been receiving the Newsletter and/or emails.)

YOUR MIATA'S NAME (if it has one): \_\_\_\_\_

COLOR: \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL MIATAS:

\_\_\_\_\_ (Color) \_\_\_\_\_ (Year) \_\_\_\_\_ (Name)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Color) \_\_\_\_\_ (Year) \_\_\_\_\_ (Name)

Please list additional cars and any additional information on the back of this form.

**THANK YOU! ~ Your Membership Officer**

----- below for club use only -----

DATE RENEWED	AMOUNT PAID	CHECK NUMBER	CHK. TO TREAS.	D-BASE UPDATED
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# LONE STAR MIATA CLUB

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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(month) (day)

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(city) (ST) (zip)

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\_\_\_\_\_  
(Color) (Year) (Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Color) (Year) (Name)

Please list additional cars and any other information on the back of this form.

Did a member of this club tell you about our club and if so, who? \_\_\_\_\_

Annual membership fee is \$30 per year. If you want to purchase a club nametag, add \$10 per nametag (price is higher if purchased later). Dues for members joining after June 30<sup>th</sup> are prorated. If joining July 1<sup>st</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup>, \$18.75. If joining October 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>, \$12.50, or \$2.50 per month if you also pay your dues for the following year.

Please make checks payable to:

**Lone Star Miata Club**

Return this form and your check to:

**Janine Nelson**  
**Lone Star Miata Club**  
**334 Pebblebrook Drive**  
**DeSoto, TX 75115-2910**

For more information, please contact:

Janine Nelson  
Membership Chairman  
972-223-3416  
[Membership@lsmiata.org](mailto:Membership@lsmiata.org)

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