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Newsletter for the Lone Star Miata Club

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Next Meeting

**SPRING-CREEK
BARBEQUE**

6:30 p.m., August 15

(Third Thursday)

Spring Creek Barbecue

3514 W. Airport Fwy

Irving TX 76062

Don't forget, members can look up contact information for other LSMC members on the internetcarclubs.com website. Click on the "Club Members Only" button to get to the directory. Please send a picture of yourself to the Editor rprogers5@aol.com to have it added to the Directory.

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25 Years of Fun: The Mazda MX-5 story – Part Two

Editors Note: This is the second part of the article written by Terry Alison, Feb. 7, 2014.



The [Mazda](#) MX-5 has proved so enduring it will celebrate its 25th birthday this February (2014). In the second part of a special series celebrating 25 years of the world's best-selling two seater sports car, [Bob Hall](#), the man at Mazda who had the idea to build a two-seat roadster, continues his MX-5 story.

IT WAS MY IDEA – BUT GREAT PEOPLE MADE IT HAPPEN

“There were a lot of people who helped bring the Mazda MX-5 to life. We were participants, we weren't the father of the car. There's only one father and that guy's name is Toshihiko Hirai – affectionately known as Pops Hirai. He is retired from Mazda today, but was the project chief for the development of the first generation Mazda MX-5. He and his team took our concept and styling ideas and had to make a car that was faithful to our vision. Without him there wouldn't be an MX-5.”



Photo from Bob Hall

25 Years of Fun: The Mazda MX-5 story – Part Two Cont.

WE BOUGHT A LOTUS ELAN

“We had budget for competitor vehicles so I went out and bought an immaculate early '70s Lotus Elan. I used it pretty much as my own personal company car. My plan was simple: when the development team was finished with it, I would buy it from the company for half the price. Unfortunately, it was requested by the engineering team in Japan and was shipped over. I never saw it again...”



Photo from Bob Hall

AT MARKET RESEARCH GROUPS, PEOPLE WENT WILD

“The original entry-level version of the Mazda MX-5 was supposed to sell for \$8888 in North America – eight being a lucky number in Japan. It would have been profitable at that level, too. But during the customer focus groups, everyone thought the car was worth around \$17,000. So the price was set at around \$13,000 for the launch. It was a seriously solid profit-maker for Mazda.”



Photo from Bob Hall

25 Years of Fun: The Mazda MX-5 story – Part Two Cont.

DEMAND TOOK MAZDA COMPLETELY BY SURPRISE

“Initially, our estimates were that Mazda would sell 40,000 MX-5s a year, worldwide. Sales in America leveled off at around 4,000 cars a month, and in Japan it was around 3,000 a month. Nobody at Mazda could believe it.”

I NEVER DOUBTED IT WOULD WORK

“The reason the MX-5 was and is successful is that it relies on something that is uncommon in the car industry: common sense. Most companies looked at what they had and asked how it could be adapted to create another product. At Mazda, we looked at people’s desires. That’s what drove the Mazda MX-5 to success.”



Photo from Bob Hall

THE FIRST TIME I DROVE ONE HAD TO BE AT NIGHT

“Japan sent some drivable prototype cars to us in California. One night the president of North American R&D walked over and said, ‘Bob-San, why don’t you drive the P729 (the MX-5’s codename) tonight?’ So I drove the long way home – two hours instead of 30 minutes – in the dark. Then I drove it back to work before sunrise. It was a lot of fun and affirmation we’d built something fantastic.”

25 Years of Fun: The Mazda MX-5 story – Part Two Cont.

MY BROTHER-IN-LAW DROVE IT TOO

“He saw the secret prototype in my garage. I let him take it for a drive and am pleased to say he wasn’t seen and didn’t crash it. He bought one of the earliest pre-production cars, which had been used for a paint colour clinic, and still owns it to this day!”

THE MX-5 WAS MY IKIGAI MOMENT

“About a year after it had launched, when the car was in huge demand, (former company chairman) Kenichi Yamamoto came up to me and said, ‘Bob-San, MX-5 is your Ikigai moment’. It’s a Japanese term for the thing that you do in life that validates your existence. I’m kinda happy with that.”

In Case You Missed It – July 2024

JULY MEETING; 07/18/2024, held at Spring Creek Barbecue in Irving, President Brent Kemish, presiding.

Meeting called to order at 6:48 pm. Adjourned at 7:34 pm. About 24 attendees.

Meeting Guests: None

New Members In July: Welcome to the Lone Star Miata Club, and please enjoy many activities with us.

Tony Dominiec and wife Judy – 1990 Blue – He’s looking for a new Miata, 1990, 5 Speed, not red.

Ben De La Vega and Kim Le – 1996 Blue.

Glenn C. Smith and Elaine K. Smith – 2023 Red – Name: 3rd MLCC (midlife crisis car).

Birthdays In July:

Cindi Barker; Elaine Blair; Melissa Brulotte; Sean Bryan; Andrea Cherry; Sherryl Clark; Bobby Claros; Susan Corona; Robert Davis; Judy Dominiec; Jack Haley; Nansi Hall; Gloria Mannino; Rick Morrill; Chris Osborn; Gina Quisenberry; Elaine K. Smith; Mike Widmer

Club Anniversaries In July:

2009 (15 years) – Suzanne Sauls

2017 (7 years) – Craig Woolheater

2021 (3 years) – Brent Kemish

2023 (1 year) – Bill Jenkins; Linda Leonard; Rick Rose

Door prizes:

Tony Dominiec (LCD reusable pad);

Charles Ferguson (ratchet screwdriver set);

Heather Graham (Sea Salt & Paper game);

Amy Mackenroth (Red hoodie shift knob cover);

Lynne Perler (Grey hoodie shift knob cover);

Terrie Campbell (Water Game)

50/50 Raffle: Lynne Perler

Texas Miata Challenge:

- The theme for the 2024 Texas Challenge is 10 Mom & Pop Barbeque Pits. All are really good places in out of the way places! The Challenge for 2024 is underway and will go through October 31, 2024. Complete all 10 BBQ Joints and you will receive a pin specially designed by Custom Pin, and a certificate of completion. T-Shirts will be available for purchase. Visit the web site for complete information:

<http://www.internetcarclubs.com/Events/TexasMiataChallenge2024.aspx>

The Challenge is also detailed in this Newsletter. [See Newsletter Page 21.](#)

In Case You Missed It – July 2024 Cont.

Texas Miata Challenge Cont.:

- UPDATE: The BarBeQue challenge is halfway over with 15 Miatas participating. Four have finished all ten sites. Several Miatas have completed half. There is still time to participate, great drives.
- T-Shirts will be able to be ordered online. T-Shirts include crew or V-necks, long or short sleeves in 3 colors including black, red, and gray. A hoody in light gray is also available. This year the order and pay will be online through Custom Ink, our vendor. Ordering starts September 1, 2024; ending October 15, 2024. Shirts should be delivered directly to you by November 9, 2024. Order information will be available in the September Newsletter.

Club Business:

- See the membership forms for returning and new members in the newsletter. Completed forms are due in January 2024, to be given to Sandy Lewis, Membership Officer. (Editor's note: You can also renew online by logging in to your profile on the website. There is a small additional fee to cover the fee PayPal charges the club for using credit cards.) We currently have 122 paid members, and 1600 members on our FaceBook Page. Sandy has name tags. Name tags are \$15. Membership form can be sent via email to: Membership@lsmiata.org. Please pass out the referral cards. The member with the most referrals wins a free membership for 2025.
- Club dues are due in January. They are the same as this past year; \$30 for singles, and \$40 for couples.
- Richard always has club merchandise for sale: door magnets, coffee mugs, pins, tote bags.
- Brent Kemish has completed the design change to the Lone Star Miata Club business card. The new cards will be available at Club Meetings and at runs or events. There is a space to write your name as "referring member".
- Brent has confirmed with Spring Creek for our **Club Membership meetings** to be the Third Thursday of every month.
- Brent has updated the LSMiata.org web site. PLEASE check it out: lsmiata.org. Brent would also like to know if you have any ideas for future events.
- Let Heather know if you are not getting the evites.
- Let Heather know if you see scams or other inappropriate postings on our Lone Star Miata Club FaceBook Page.
- Gerry Sauls asked about being able to order shirts with the Club Logo. Amy Mackenroth recommended Squad Locker. David Dixon is looking into companies for the Challenge Shirts.

In Case You Missed It – July 2024 Cont.

Prior Events:

- Mon. July 1: Ice Cream Social at Bruster's Real Ice Cream in Frisco. Dinner was at Capriotti's Sandwich Shop. Led by Doug Dodgen. [See Newsletter Page 11.](#)
- Thur. July 4: City of Irving 4th of July Sparks & Stripes Parade. Check in to staging area began at 6:30 am. We decorated our Miatas with Red-White & Blue July 4th colors. After the Parade, we went go to Potbelly Sandwich Shop for lunch. Led by Richard Rogers. [See Newsletter Page 13.](#)
- Friday July 12 and Saturday July 13: Funeral and Burial for long time member Priscilla Hoffman. Led by Mary Wharton her daughter. Priscilla had her Miata at the State Fair Display every year. Our Miata Club provided a large Peace Lilly plant for the funeral and graveside service. At the July Club meeting, we collected \$250 to be donated to CASA for Kids of East Texas. Mary was happily surprised, and thanks you for your generosity. Club members Howard and Betty Banfield attended the funeral, and Club members Lynne Perler and Fred Johnson attended the burial service. [See Obituary on Newsletter Page 14.](#)
- Sat. July 20: Miata Mamas, Christmas in July; Lunch at Sarah Olidia's house in Denton. Hosted by Sarah Olidia. [See Newsletter Page 15.](#)
- Sat. July 27: BBQ Run ending at Hutchin's BBQ in McKinney. Led by Brent Kemish. [See Newsletter Page 17.](#)

Upcoming Events:

- Thur. Aug. 1: Ice Cream Social at Kilwin's in Grapevine. Dinner to be at Weinbergers Deli two blocks south of Kilwin's. Led by Doug Dodgen. Evite has been sent out.
- Aug. 1-4: Miatas At The Gap; Yearly event in North Carolina near the Tail Of The Dragon. Check out the web site: <https://www.gapmiatas.com/>
- Thur. – Sun. Sept. 5 – 8: The NW Arkansas Miata Club has a 25th Anniversary event. We are looking into having a run to this event. NOTE THE DATE CHANGE.
- Sat. Oct. 19: Miata Mamas High Tea Party. Will be at Infused Oil & Vinegar in Dallas. Cost is \$35 cash. Evite has been sent out. Hosted by Sandra Osborn and Heather Graham.

In Case You Missed It – July 2024 Cont.

Upcoming Events Cont.:

- **Thur. – Sun. Oct. 24 – 27:** The Texas Miata Roundup will be hosted by the Tejas Miata Club (Austin) and will be based at the YO Hotel and Conference Center in Kerrville, TX. Information can be found on the Tejas Miata web site: <http://www.tejasmiata.org> Look under Calendar of Events. Or go directly to: <http://www.tejasmiata.org/calendar-of-events/2024/10/24/texas-statewide-miata-round-up-2024-kerrville> Note that Registration is now open.

Upcoming Birthdays In August:

First Name	Last Name	Date
Richard	Chitwood	1-Aug
Jenny	Quinlan	5-Aug
Kenneth	Johnson	10-Aug
Myra	Matthieu	12-Aug
Cheri	Raith	12-Aug
Stan	Beckham	16-Aug
Lynda	Teasley	17-Aug
Chuck	Cowan	31-Aug
Linda	Leonard	31-Aug

- **MIATA FOR SALE** Lynne Perler and Fred Johnson are selling their Red Miata. This is from the 1989 original run. It has 71,000 miles. Asking about \$16K. Paint needs some work.



Next meeting Thursday, August 15, 2024 at Spring Creek BBQ in Irving.

LONE STAR MIATA CLUB EVENTS 2024

Date	Event
Jan 2	Ice Cream Social; Froyo Joe's in Highland Village; Doug Dodgen
Jan 13	Texas Winos Wine Tasting Bus Tour; Sandra Osborn
Feb. 1	Ice Cream Social; Scoop N' Buns Ice Cream in Garland; Doug Dodgen
Feb. 17 - 18	Run to East Texas BBQ Challenge Sites; Croquette and Brookeland. Overnight in Jasper at historic Belle Jim Hotel. Chris & Sandra Osborn
Mar. 1	Ice Cream Social: The Local Creamery in Plano; Doug Dodgen
Mar. 2	Hard 8 BBQ Run & Meet With Tejas Miata. Brent Kemish
Mar. 22 - 24	March Miata Madness; Car Show and Runs in Jefferson TX. Organized by Craig Woolheater. Not a LSMC event.
Apr 1	Ice Cream Social; Menchie's Frozen Yogurt in Euless with dinner at Five Guys. Led by Doug Dodgen.
Apr, 8	Solor Eclipse Viewing at Sean and Karen Bryan's house in Glenn Rose.
Apr. 13	Bluebonnet and Rosini Winery run. Led by Richard Rogers
Apr. 20	Chocolate Truffle Social at Yelibelly Chocolates. Sandra Osborn.
Apr. 27	Annual Club Picnic and April Club Meeting. Brent Kemish
May 1	Ice Cream Social; Beth Marie's Old Fashioned Ice Cream in Carrollton with dinner at Twisted Root Burger Co. Led by Doug Dodgen
May 4	Backroads and BBQ Run, ending at Wood and Time Smokehouse BBQ in Farmersville. Led by Brent Kemish.
May 4	Miata Mamas Brunch at True Food Kitchen in Plano. Led by Sandra Osborn.
May 11	Hatchet House BBQ Run to Graham. Led by Gerry Sauls.
June 1	Open House at Track Dog Racing. Car show and swap meet.
June 1	Ice Cream Social: Mad Mike's Ice Cream in Pantego with dinner at Cajun Corner Seafood. Led by Doug Dodgen
June 8	Cedar Hill Senior Living Facility Car, Truck, and Bike Show. Perry Brulotte.
June 8	Laps For Charity at Texas Motor Speedway. Our Miatas got 5 laps around the Speedway. Proceeds to Speedway Children Charities. Dinner at Back Porch Drafthouse near the Speedway. Led by Craig Woolheater.
July 1	Ice Cream Social: Bruster's Real Ice Cream in Frisco with dinner at Capriotti's Sandwich Shop. Led by Doug Dodgen
July 4	City of Irving 4th of July Sparks & Stripes Parade. Lunch at Potbelly Sandwich Shop. Led by Richard Rogers.
July 12-13	Funeral and Burial of long time member; Priscilla Hoffman
July 20	Miata Mamas Christmas in July at Sarah Olidia's house in Denton. Hosted by Sarah Olidia.
July 27	Hutchins Bar-B-Q Run to McKinney. Led by Brent Kemish.

Bruster's Real Ice Cream Social – July 1, 2024

July was hot but the ice cream was cold. Fourteen hearty souls braved the pre-holiday heat to meet at Brusters Real Ice Cream in Frisco. Ice cream was great. They only had outdoor seating, but it was shaded and there was a good breeze.

Before the ice cream, there were 11 of us who ate subs and salads at Capriotti's Italian Sandwich Shop. Their cheesesteak sandwich and salads were about half and half on the orders. Submitted by Doug Dodgen.



Our hosts; Doug and Yvonne Dodgen, with Brian Knopp. Enjoying some salads at Capriotti's.



Julia Kuhn, Sandra Osborn, Terrie Campbell, Lynne Perler and her brother Marc having a sandwich at Capriotti's

Bruster's Real Ice Cream Social Cont. – July 1, 2024



Your humble editor Richard and Lynne's brother Marc. It's Canada Day and Sandra brought the small Canadian Flags.



Sue and Mark Corona enjoying Brusters treats.



Doug Long, Heather Graham, and Sandra Osborn at Brusters with the Canadian stick flag.



Lynne Perler and Nansi Hall at Brusters.

4th Of July Stars And Stripes Parade – July 4, 2024

Four Miatas met around 7 am at the staging area for the City of Irving July 4th Stars and Stripes Parade. Terrie Campbell brought her White 2013 Club; Mark Corona his 2007 Copper Red; David Dixon his 2020 Gray ND; and Bobby Claros his 2009 True Red. We had fun decorating our Miatas with red, white, and blue banners, streamers, and flags for the annual Parade. This was our second year to be in the Parade. They wanted us to stage earlier this year to give the Police more time to set up the street barricades. There were about 50 entries in the parade, with many being flat bed trailers carrying members from various organizations.

The parade began at 9:00 am, and we drove through downtown Irving and some of the nearby residential area. We were able to throw candy, and many spectators were looking forward to this. Bobby Claros brought his son Jaime, who quickly threw out all the candy he had. The streets were well lined with spectators, and it was a fun parade.

Afterwards we took off our decorations and made our way to Potbelly Sandwich Shop for lunch. A very enjoyable morning. Submitted by Richard Rogers editor.



Staging for the Irving July 4th Parade. Our four Miatas being decorated.



Bobby and Jaime Claros waiting for the parade to begin.



Six of us made it to Potbelly for a great lunch.
David Dixon
Mark Corona
Mary Dixon
Sue Corona
Richard Rogers (editor)
Terrie Campbell

Priscilla Elizabeth Hoffman – July 12-13, 2024

Priscilla Elizabeth (Scott) Hoffman Obituary Mary Wharton's Mother



Priscilla Elizabeth (Scott) Hoffman of Frankston, Texas passed on to her Heavenly rest on July 4, 2024, at The Hospice of East Texas in Tyler.

Funeral service was held on Friday, July 12, 2024 at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Tyler, Texas. Burial service was on Saturday, July 13, 2024 at Moore Memorial Gardens in Arlington, Texas. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in Priscilla's name to CASA for Kids of East Texas, 3616 West Way St, Tyler, TX 75703, <https://casaforkidsofet.org/donate>; or a charity of your choice.

Priscilla was born and raised in Sedalia, Missouri. She graduated valedictorian of Sedalia High School in 1959 and salutatorian of Texas Woman's University in 1963, with a B.A. in History. She married Charles "Charlie" Louis Hoffman, Jr. on December 29, 1962, and they raised four children in Arlington, Texas. While in Arlington, Priscilla was a homemaker and paralegal. She and Charlie were founding members of Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church. The couple retired to East Texas where they were founding members of St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church in Frankston.

A driving force in Priscilla's life was service to her family, to her faith, and to those less fortunate. Her core belief was always "to whom much has been given, much is expected." Priscilla was an avid volunteer, serving her church, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, soup kitchen, food pantry, ladies auxiliaries, and religious education. Her most passionate ministry was as a CASA volunteer, advocating for numerous foster children for over twenty years.

Priscilla had many blessings in her life which included loving parents who introduced her to God and the value of hard work; meeting her loving husband on a chance encounter on a train ride from Kansas to Texas; having four healthy, successful children that loved and cherished her; having a strong faith; and being able to serve others in so many ways. She will always be a shining example of what a person can be when God is at the top of everything you do.

Priscilla is preceded in death by her parents; her beloved husband Charlie of 57 years; and granddaughter, Brandi Shelton. She is survived by her four children: Chuck Hoffman; Patrick Hoffman and wife, Amy; Scott Hoffman; and Mary Hoffman; her five grandchildren, Allison Turner and husband, Bobbie; Andrew Flynn; Reagan, Bryce, and Matthew Hoffman; three great-grandchildren, Brandon, Aaron, and Casey Turner; many nephews and nieces, great-nephews and great-nieces; Brandon Davidson and his wife Alice, as well as the many other CASA children she was integral in helping through the years; and many, many friends.

Christmas In July – July 20, 2024

Ten Miata Club members and friends arrived at Sarah Olidia's lovely home, where we were greeted with LSMC Door Magnets displayed on her two car garage. Sarah had a wonderful spread of sandwiches, salads, dips, and fruit. Mary Wharton wore some kool glasses that made Christmas lights appear as little Christmas trees. All the ladies enjoyed lunch and getting to know one another. This was a Miata Mamas social event hosted by Sarah Olidia.

The gift exchange was fun. Seems Gloria got the gifts that others wanted, but was finally able to keep a bracelet. Mary got a wine set. Lynne got a waffle blanket. Sandy got a Christmas tree beverage server that will be used at this year's Christmas Party. Amy got a LSMC tote bag. Nansi got a serving tray. Sandra got a purse and jewelry. Heather got something special. Terrie got a sweat shirt. Sarah got a Bert's Bee gift set. It was a very fun afternoon. Submitted by Terrie Campbell.



Party goers knew they were at the right place when they saw Miata Club door magnets.



Sarah prepared an amazing lunch for everyone.



Of course there is a desert table.



Lynne Perler; Mary Wharton with her kool glasses; Sandy Lewis.



The kool glasses made points of light look like small Christmas trees.

Christmas In July Cont. – July 20, 2024



Having a great lunch before gift exchange: Heather; Mary; Gloria; Sarah's sister; Rosamunde; Sandy; Sarah; Amy; Sandra; Nansi; Lynne;



The Miata Mamas Ladies: Amy and daughter Rosamunde; Mary; Nansi; Heather; Lynne; Sandra; Sandy; Gloria; Sarah; Terrie



Sandra opening her gift. Sandy's Christmas tree gift will be used at the Miata Club Christmas Party.



The Poinsetta Christmas tree with gifts.



Nansi's first gift was a sweatshirt. She exchanged this with Terrie for a serving tray.

Hutchins BBQ Run – July 27, 2024

Gorgeous July weather in the 80's made for a great day to go for a drive. We began at QuikTrip in Allen. A few sprinkles fell in the first few miles of our run but gave way to partly cloudy skies the rest of the morning. We wound through a bunch of county roads (many were tree covered) and took the long way from Allen to McKinney going through Princeton, Farmersville, and Celeste before heading back. Our destination was Hutchins BBQ in McKinney for some of their great BBQ and complimentary dessert. We had two rest stops along our 89 mile trip.

We had 10 Miata's make it out today - 3 NA's, 1 NC, and 5 ND's. For the first time in a while the two Red Miatas were outnumbered by both White and Gray. Submitted by Brent Kemish.



Driver's meeting at QuikTrip in Allen: Tom Quinn; Carol & Mike Maglione; Fred Johnson; Andy Hsieh; Perry Brulotte; Stewart Teasley; Terrie Campbell; Lynne Perler; Peggy Quinn; Brent Kemish; Suzanne & Gerry Sauls; Chris & Alice Soignier



Brent led us on many tree lined roads. The overcast skies made it very comfortable for top down driving in July.



Our first rest stop was at the Shell Station. They're hard to see, but all 10 Miatas are in a row.

Hutchins BBQ Run Cont. – July 27, 2024



Our second rest stop was at the Exxon Station. Again, they're hard to see, but all 10 Miatas are in the group. It was special to have three NA Miatas on our run. Fred Johnson's yellow Miata; Brent's new blue Miata; and Stewart Teasley's red Miata; all three are in excellent condition. Note the cloudy skies.



BBQ plate; brisket, ribs, turkey, cole slaw, potato salad.



Enjoying BBQ at Hutchins: Peggy & Tom Quinn; Suzanne & Gerry Sauls; Carol & Mike Maglione; Stewart Teasley.



Another table of diners at Hutchins: Andy Hsieh & daughter Abigail; Brent Kemish; Chris & Alice Soignier; Fred Johnson & Lynne Perler. Terrie and I were at another table. Perry had to leave early, so we had 16 dining at Hutchins.

Lone Star Miata Club

Policies and Procedures:

1. Dues. Members who do not pay annual dues by March 31 of any year will be removed from the Member list, with an email notice from the Membership officer. On or about April 1 of each year, the Membership officer will notify the President and the Secretary of (a) all members in good-standing as of such date, and (b) delinquent members removed as of such date.
2. Members. Members in good-standing will:
 - a. Be included in the Club email list.
 - b. Participate in all Club events, including meetings, runs, parties and events
 - c. Non-members:
 - i. May participate in no more than two (2) runs.
 - ii. Will not be included in email or Evite lists.
 - iii. May attend Club meetings and participate in 50/50 drawings but not door prizes.
 - iv. May not attend Club sponsored parties or events, provided, that the officers may elect for an event to be open to all Miata owners (e.g., Roundup, State Fair).
3. Runs. Non-members will be permitted to participate in no more than two (2) Club runs. The run leader or a participating club officer will provide each non-member with a membership form at some point in the runs.
4. Runs. Run leaders are required to:
 - a. Notify the President and Secretary of each proposed run, so that the Secretary may communicate it to members and post it on appropriate social media.
 - b. Provide a written run sheet with sufficient details regarding routes, stops, and activities to enable participants to catch up if the group is separated.
 - c. Have a list of all participants and obtain signatures to the liability release from all participants.
 - d. Determine a "sweeper" for the end of the run to ensure the group stays together.
 - e. Determine a mid-point relay person from the sweeper if the run group exceeds twenty [20] cars.
 - f. Determine choke points and locations such as towns where stop lights, traffic, and stop signs can separate the group. Run leaders are responsible for determining a point after such choke points to stop so the entire group can catch up.
 - g. Send a copy of the participant list and liability release promptly after the run (via physical or electronic means) to the Secretary, who will maintain them in physical or electronic form for at least three (3) years
5. Club Events. Only members may participate in non-run Club events when Club funds are the primary source of funds (e.g., picnic, Christmas party).
6. Club Events. Information regarding Club events will be circulated by the Secretary to members via Evite or other appropriate means. References to events on Facebook or other public social media will not include details other than destination and date, with a reference to the Secretary for non-members to express interest.

Events & Items of Interest

Don't forget the LSMC website

<http://www.internetcarclubs.com/Clubs/LoneStarMiataClub.aspx>

Doug Dodgen maintains our website to make it the best place to check information about the club. He has added the yearly calendar so you can plan for upcoming rides. Keep in mind that dates are subject to change. Members can log in and modify their contact information as well as add a profile picture. If you have questions about editing your information, please contact Doug. The main page of the Lone Star Miata Club part of the website contains a link to our www.LSMiata.org blog site where links to newsletters are published.

Check us out at [http://www.internetcarclubs.com/Clubs/LoneStarMiataClub.aspx!](http://www.internetcarclubs.com/Clubs/LoneStarMiataClub.aspx)

If you have not renewed your membership for 2022, please do so ASAP. You will be removed from the club roster and from Evites after March 31. Dues are \$40 for couples who both want to join, and \$30 for singles. Your dues go toward door prizes, club insurance, and supplementing costs for annual events such as the Christmas party and picnic.

From your editor

When you lead a drive, please print participant waivers from <http://lsmiata.org/events/>. It's a good idea to have maps with your phone number printed on them for a trip. Also be sure to bookmark the blog page <http://lsmiata.org> and the website at <http://www.internetcarclubs.com/Clubs/LoneStarMiataClub.aspx> to get all the latest information about us.

A note about Evites...

Evites now go to all emails on file. One person responding can change the number of attendees to an event if both people in a couple don't want to respond. ALL members should be getting emails generated by the website, and all members can access the Evites from the website event listing and, in most cases, from Facebook (members only events are not publicized on Facebook).

If you are not getting emails generated from the website, please see Sandy Lewis; Membership Officer, to verify your membership information.

Evites always contain the phone number of the person leading the drive/event. If you have questions or are running late, please contact that person.

2024 Texas Challenge BARBECUE JOINTS ACROSS TEXAS

UPDATED 5/30/24



Drive to each of the designated spots in Texas. Take a picture of you, your Miata and the specific BBQ Joint. If both driver and co-pilot are participating, both can appear in the same picture. Group pictures are allowed. Participants must drive to each location 1 through 10. Complete all 10 BBQ Joints and you will receive a specially designed pin.

T-shirts will be available for purchase.

Please check the BBQ Joint web site for days and hours of operation – some are closed on Sundays! !! It is not necessary to eat at each location to claim the spot, but might wanna !!

Pictures can be submitted by TEXT, EMAIL or POSTED to the Lone Star Miata Club Facebook page. TEXT or EMAIL entries to David Dixon by Oct 31, 2024.

David Dixon
601 Frontier Ct
Colleyville, TX 76034
lsmc2020nd@gmail.com
817-228-0798

No. 1 – Hatchet House BBQ – 1820 HWY 380 Bypass, Graham, TX

<https://hatchethousebbque.com/>

Open Wed thru Sun, 11am to 10pm (Sun 10am to 3pm)



No. 2 – Mac's Pit BBQ – 815 E. Market St, Rockport, TX

<https://macspitbarbecue.com/>

Open Mon thru Sat, 11am to 8pm



No. 3 – Burnt Bean Co. – 108 S. Austin St, Seguin, TX

<https://www.burntbeanco.com/>

Open Thurs – Sat 11am to sell out, Sun 8am to sell out



No. 4 – Riverport BBQ – 201 N. Polk St, Jefferson, TX

<https://www.riverportbbq.com/>

Open Wed – Sun 11am to 3pm. Miata March Madness anyone?



No. 5 – Evett's BBQ – 301 E. Main St, Uvalde, TX

<https://www.evettsbbqtx.com/>

Open Tue thru Sat, 10:30 am to 5:30pm (Sat 5pm)



No. 6 – Lum's BBQ – 2031 Main St, Junction, TX

<https://www.lumsbbq.com/>

Open 7 days a week, from 10:30 am to 9pm or sold out!



No. 7 – Coache’s BBQ – 925 W. McGregor Dr, McGregor, TX (the McGregor location)

<https://www.coachssmoke.com/>

Open 7 days a week, from 10:30am to 8pm



No. 8 – Texas Joe’s Backporch BBQ – 378 Coopers Crossing, Brookeland, TX

No website – BBQ with a cajun twist

Open Thur thru Sun, 10am to 6pm (Sun 5pm)



No. 9 - Kreuz Market – 619 N. Colorado St, Lockhart, TX

<https://www.kreuzmarket.com/>

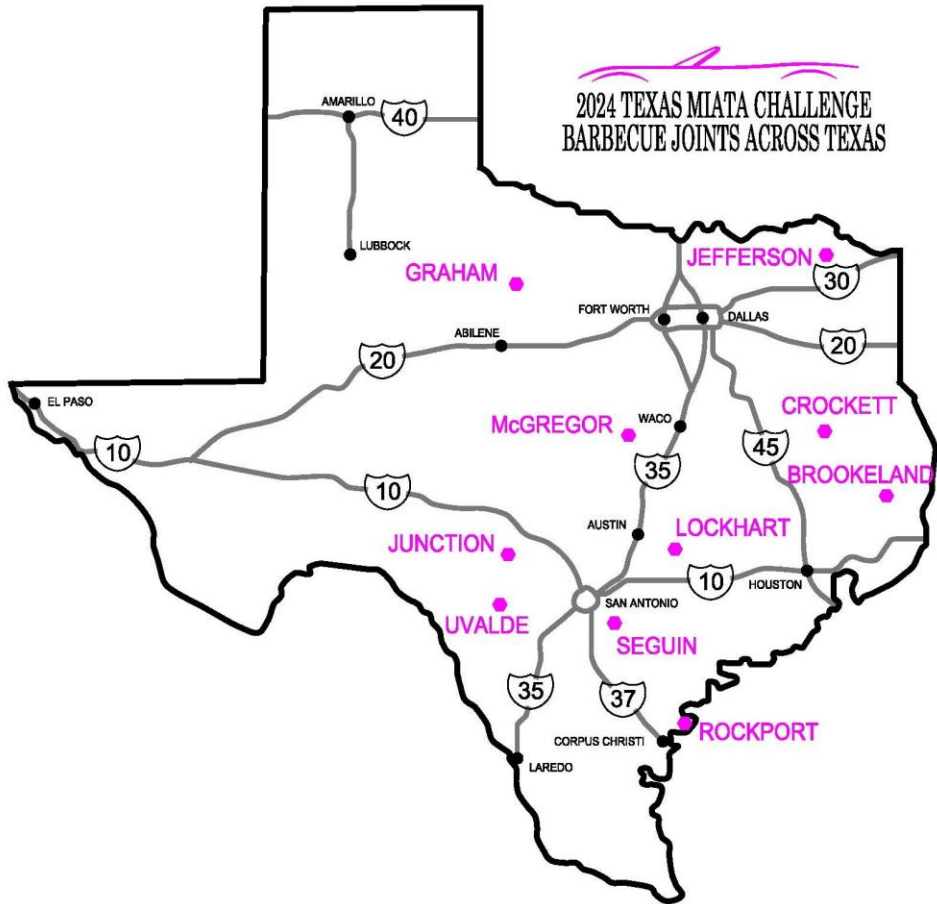
Open 7 days a week, 10:30am to 8pm (Sun 6pm)



No. 10 – Mimsy's Craft BBQ – 1979 S. 5th St, Crockett, TX

<https://www.mimsyscraftbbq.com/>

Wed – Sat, 11am to 7pm. Front is the store, restaurant is along the right side of the building



PRESENTED BY LONE STAR MIATA CLUB

2024 TEXAS MIATA CHALLENGE

Open Browser

Two web sites:

<http://ismyata.org> After website opens;
Hover Mouse Over "EVENT CALENDAR" for Drop Down Menu
Choose "EVENTS". This will open the Internet Car Clubs website.

Or go directly to:

<http://internetcarclubs.com/clubs/LoneStarMiataClub.aspx>

Note: For a list of Challenge Sites, when at the "ismyata.org" website:
Hover over "NEWSLETTERS"
Select 2023; December 2023 Newsletter to download a copy of the
"December 2023 Newsletter" for a good write up of Challenge sites
beginning on page 18. The Challenge Sites will also be in the current
LSMC Newsletter.

At Internet Car Clubs site;

Open Events:

First Event is "2024 Texas Miata Challenge"

Click on "Additional Information"

See: The 2024 Texas Miata Challenge Page
(Good idea to bookmark page)

After Login (On the Texas Miata Challenge Page):

Click on: "Sign Up" to register

THEN FOR EACH CHALLENGE SITE:

Click on: "Show Details" (to check in and upload Photo and enter comments)

Note: Look for location in Google Maps to see where each challenge site is located.

Click on: "Check In"

Click on: "Choose File" to upload Photo file

Click on: "Upload" to do the upload

Enter optional comment and Click on:

"Upload Comment" to save the comment

Note that your own comment can be edited

Photo Image: To see large image of any Miata Driver Photo:

Right Click on image and select: "Open image in new tab"

Do the same for each Challenge Location and Enjoy exploring the
BARBEQUE JOINTS ACROSS TEXAS CHALLENGE for 2024

Classifieds:



FOR SALE!

DON'T FORGET TO SEE OUR VICE PRESIDENT, RICHARD ROGERS, FOR CLUB LOGO ITEMS!

Items are excellent quality and only require a very reasonable donation.

Richard orders the magnets in batches. They are great to show off when we drive as a group. Magnets are \$17 for a set of 2. If you don't want to wait for the next batch, be sure to purchase them when he has them on hand. Bruce also has round magnets for sale.

Pins are still \$2 each or 10 for \$15. Great for trading with other groups!



Richard can also order coffee mugs and T-shirts with the club logo. The logo can be positioned anywhere on the shirt, in small or large size.

Mugs are available for about \$12, and shirts are available for around \$10-15. Contact Richard for details.



Embroidery

Embroidery is available at Embroidery Plus in Grapevine Mills mall. The club logo is on file, so you can take any item you would like to have embroidered.



LSMC Logo Stuff

Contact our Vice President, Richard Rogers at 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. 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.

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 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 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. 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 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.

LONE STAR MIATA CLUB

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

Time to renew your membership! Annual dues are \$30 for singles, \$40 for couples. If your dues have not been paid by the April meeting, your name and number will be dropped from the membership roll. The Club accepts cash, checks made payable to **Lone Star Miata Club**, and PayPal under **membership@lsmiata.org**. Please **complete** this form only with any **changes from the previous year**, and return it to:

Sandy Lewis
Lone Star Miata Club
2025 Briarcliff Rd
Lewisville TX 75067

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

PRIMARY DRIVER: _____ Birth Date ____ / ____

SECONDARY DRIVER: _____ Birth Date ____ / ____

ADDRESS: _____
(apt #, number, street) _____
(city) (ST) (zip)

Primary Cell: (____) _____ Secondary Cell: (____) _____

Driver email: _____

Copilot email: _____

Club notices and correspondence will be sent to all email addresses listed.

(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)

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	AMOUNT	CHECK	CHK. TO	D-BASE
RENEWED	PAID	NUMBER	TREAS.	UPDATED
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

LONE STAR MIATA CLUB
NEW MEMBER FORM

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

PRIMARY DRIVER: _____ Birth Date ____ / ____

SECONDARY DRIVER: _____ Birth Date ____ / ____

ADDRESS: _____
(apt #, number, street)

(city) (ST) (zip)

PRIMARY CELL: (____) _____ SECONDARY CELL: (____) _____

EMAIL ADDRESS #1: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS #2: _____

Club notices and correspondence will be sent to all email addresses listed.

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

COLOR: _____ YEAR: _____

ADDITIONAL MIATAS: _____
(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 \$40 per year for couples, \$30 for singles. If you want to purchase a club nametag, add \$15 per nametag. Dues for new members joining after June 30th are 1/2 of the annual dues; \$20 for couples, and \$15 for singles. The Club accepts cash, checks made payable to: **Lone Star Miata Club**, and PayPal under **membership@lsmiata.org**.

Return this form and your check to:

Sandy Lewis
Lone Star Miata Club
2025 Briarcliff Rd
Lewisville TX 75067

For more information, please contact: Sandy Lewis Membership Chairman 214-676-5043 Membership@lsmiata.org

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DATE	AMOUNT	CHECK	CHK. TO	D-BASE
JOINED	PAID	NUMBER	TREAS.	UPDATED
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____