



MiataTalk

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Newsletter for the Lone Star Miata Club

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Facebook: Lone Star Miata Club

Holiday Party



6:00 p.m., Dec. 13

(Saturday)

Sandy's House

2025 Briarcliff Rd.

Lewisville, TX 75067

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.

Lone Star Miata Club Officers for 2025 (LSMCOfficers@gmail.com)

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November 2025 Meeting Minutes

LSMC November 2025 Monthly Club Meeting: At Spring Creek BBQ.

Date/Time: 11/20/2025, 6:30 pm

Host: Brent Kemish (President)

Discussion

- Meeting came to order around 6:48 pm
26 Members present.

- Birthdays In November:
 - 3 – Sandra Osborn
 - 7 – Captain (Chris) Webb
 - 10 – Roger Kipp
 - 12 – Kelley Arata
 - 20 – Vera Gibbs
 - 21 – Patty Juniper
 - 22 – Brian Knopp
 - 23 – Charles Ferguson
 - 23 – Jeff Myers
 - 24 – Dan Arras
 - 26 – Denise Arras

- Club Anniversaries in November:
 - 2018 (7 Years) – Robert Bauer
 - 2021 (4 Years) – Tri Nguyen

- New Members: Joining in November 2025. Welcome to the Lone Star Miata Club, and please enjoy many activities with us.
 - Brian and Kendra Bonner – 2025 Red
 - Glenn West – 2006 Black

- Guests: Ronnie and Cyndi Johnson from NWA Miata Club; The NorthWest Arkansas Miata Club will have an event the weekend of June 1, 2026

November 2025 Meeting Minutes Cont.

- Past Events
 - 2026 Texas Miata Challenge theme – “Return to the Mothership”
 - Participants visit Miata Dealerships in a 250 mile radius. This challenge begins October 1, 2025. The Challenge locations also include the Johnson Space Center, and the Patricia Smith NASA Museum, with restaurant suggestions all along the Challenge locations.
 - NOTE: Dealership in Wichita Falls has been sold! There is a new Grubbs Mazda; and Hiley Mazda in Hurst has moved.
 - Sat. Nov. 1 – Ice Cream Social at Crispy Cones in North Richland Hills. They have a unique type of cone and were featured on Shark Tank. Dinner at 5 Guy Hamburgers next door. Hosted by Doug Dodgen. See writeup in this newsletter
 - Sat. Nov. 15 – Miata Mamas; Movie Under the Stars at Sarah Olidia’s House in Denton. The movie was the new Hallmark Movie “Three Wisest Men”. Host Sarah Olidia. See writeup in this newsletter
 - Thur. Nov. 20; 6:30 pm – LSMC Monthly meeting. See pictures in this newsletter.
 - Sat. Nov. 22 – Run to Glenn Rose. Led by Sean Bryan. See writeup in this newsletter
 - Sat. Nov. 29 – Miata Mamas Desert event at “Better Than Sex”, with late lunch at Urban Crust in Plano. Hosted by Sandra Osborn and Heather Graham. See writeup in this newsletter
- Officer Elections
 - Heather and Lynne are not running again
 - President – Brent Kemish
 - VP – Sarah Olidia
 - Membership – Sandy Lewis
 - Event Coordinator – Benjamin Arata (the younger)
 - Treasurer – Mary Wharton
 - Secretary – Tri Nguyen
- Officer Reports;
 - Membership – Sandy Lewis
 - 132 Members
 - She reminded everyone to hand out the club business cards and the member having the most people join the Club from receiving the card will be given a free membership for the following year. Lynne Perler and Amy Bookhammer won for next year.

November 2025 Meeting Minutes Cont.

- Officer Reports Cont.;
 - Secretary Heather Graham;
 - Please let Heather know if you are not getting the evites
 - Please report any shady FB posts to the admin
 - Treasurer – Mary Wharton; Dues are paid
 - Annual Report
 - Door Prizes -- \$610
 - Picnic -- \$715
 - Wordpress -- \$512
 - Insurance -- \$350
 - Challenge Pins 2024 -- \$218
 - Christmas Party 2024 -- \$325
 - Vice President – Lynne Perler; no report
 - Lynne Perler; Roundup Chair
 - ALL INFORMATION IS PENDING FINAL CONTRACTS!!! The Roundup will be held October 9-11, 2026 with a **Track Day planned for Thursday, October 8, 2026.**
 - Committee chairs and committee members are very much needed. MOST IMPORTANT is the need for a computer tech person to create the registration forms, etc.
 - Hotel contract has been signed
 - Also suggested was an Auto Cross Event on Saturday, October 10, 2026 which may be a fun alternative for those attending.
 - See later in the Newsletter for a detailed write-up
 - President – Brent Kemish
 - Elected Benjamin Arata (the younger) for the new position of Events Coordinator
 - Responsibilities Include: Assist in the planning, organization, and coordination of scheduled events and shall provide such support to coordinators of individual events as may be reasonable required. Maintain the Club website updating information on date, event time, and meeting place.
- Future Events
 - David Dixon shared that the 2026 Challenge is "Return to the Mother Ship" themed, taking participants to Miata Dealerships in a 250 mile radius. This challenge begins October 1, 2025. The Challenge locations also include the Johnson Space Center, and the Patricia Smith NASA Museum, with restaurant suggestions all along the Challenge locations. See more writeup later in the newsletter. **NOTE that two locations have changed. Dealer #2 Hiley Mazda has moved to a new location. Dealer #6 has been changed to Grubbs Mazda.**

November 2025 Meeting Minutes Cont.

- Future Events (contd)
 - Mon. Dec. 1 – Ice Cream Social at Kilwin’s in Grapevine. Dinner at Grapevine Harvest Hall Food Court. Hosted by Doug Dodgen. Evite has been sent
 - Sat. Dec. 13 – LSMC Holiday Party at Sandy Lewis’ house. Details to follow.
 - May 7, 2026 -- There is a notice about a Speed and Chill Car Meet with Charity and Parade Laps at the Cresson Race Track. See poster at; <https://app.parkupfront.com/event/8876>
 - June 5 to June 7, 2026 – Northwest Arkansas Miata Club unplugged get together; lots of drives; old school; no banquets, just drives, mostly unplanned, drop in whenever
- Door Prizes
 - Karen Bryan – Folding Seat
 - Chris Osborn – Tool Kit
 - Doug Long – Quick Detailer
 - Ronnie Johnson – Chocolate
 - Benjamin Arata – Binder
 - Terrie Campbell – Chocolate
 - Sarah Olidia – Cleaning Wipes
 - Lynne Perler – Multi Tool Kit
 - Brent Kemish – Socks
 - Sandy Lewis – Ear Buds
- 50/50 Raffle – Total \$70; \$35 to Charity and \$35 to Sandra Osborn
- We voted to give our charity money for 2025 to North Texas Food Bank
- Meeting adjourned 7:43 pm.
- Submitted by Heather Graham

Messages

From the Editor:

Waited until today Monday December 1 to finish up the newsletter so I could include the Better Than Sex event.

We had five events plus the Club meeting in November, which kept us busy. Terrie and I made it to the Ice Cream at Crispy Cones and the Better Than Sex Desserts. Enjoyed them both.



Tonight Dec 1 is Ice Cream at Kilwin's in Grapevine. Going to be a little cool, but you should be able to enjoy the lights and decorations in The Christmas Capital of Texas.

At the meeting for November, we elected our officers for 2026. We have three new officers for next year: Sarah Olidia, Tri Nguyen, and Benjamin Arata. Show them your support as they begin their new positions.

Terrie and I wished we could have made it for the run to Loco Coyote. The Club had not been there in a while, and it is always a fun drive and a fun place.

This has been a trying month for me. A little over three weeks ago, I fell on the concrete in the driveway. Hurt my hips and cracked my head. Split the skin, lots of bleeding, but did not need stitches, and it eventually stopped and dried up. Finally getting over the soreness, and feeling better.

Our big event coming up is the Club Christmas party at Sandy Lewis' house in Lewisville. The Club will provide BBQ and we all can bring side dishes or desserts.

Hope everyone had a happy Thanksgiving. And here is wishing all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. See you at the party and in 2026.

Richard Rogers Editor

2026 TEXAS MIATA ROUNDUP IS COMING!

The Lone Star Miata Club is excited to host the upcoming state roundup and we need YOU! It takes a village to put on something of this size so please be generous with your time and energy.

The Roundup will take place from Friday, October 9 til Sunday, October 11, 2026. Please save the dates!!

We are currently looking for folks to chair and/or work on the following committees (the chairs of these committees will create a Steering Committee) please designate whether you would like to serve as the chair or be a committee member.

- **Chair: Lynne Perler**
 - Recruit volunteers and oversee all aspects of event
- **Treasurer: Mary Wharton**
 - Maintain all monetary aspects of the event
- **Need:**
 - Medical on call
 - Mechanic on call

Committees:

- **Lodging**
 - Contact and maintain partnership with headquarter lodging.
 - Find for reference, alternate lodging
- **Food**
 - Any food other than headquarters supplied food
 - Suggestions for places to eat when on runs
 - Suggestions for places to eat Thursday and Friday nights for chapter dinners
- **Runs:**
- Recruit people to lead runs, 3 per day:
- Friday, 10/09/26
 - Spirited Run
 - Casual Run
 - Sightseeing Run
- Saturday, 10/10/26
 - Spirited Run
 - Casual Run
 - Sightseeing Run

- **Hospitality:**
 - Supply and maintain food and beverage for a Hospitality room at headquarters hotel
 - Act as Ambassadors of the event, helping with information, directions, directing traffic in the parking lot staging areas for runs, etc.

- **Registration**
 - Set up and oversee event registration
 - Create and maintain lists for runs

- **Swag Bags and Door Prizes**
 - Contact and collect donated items for hospitality gifts for attendees
 - Put bags together and distribute at registration
 - Collect items for door prizes and have at roundup

- **Tee Shirts**
 - Work with Roundup committee to design tee shirts
 - Work with vendor for distribution of shirts

- **Track Day-Chair: Chris Soignier**
 - Contact and organize a track day for those wanting to participate on Friday 10/09/26

- **Publicity & Documentation**
 - Maintain communication about the event through social media, posters distributed to Mazda dealerships, anywhere interest would be raised
 - Take pictures, make videos, etc DURING Roundup and post on social media

- **Closing Reception and Banquet**
 - Oversee food and entertainment for the reception and banquet on Saturday, 10/10/26

Please contact Lynne Perler of your interest in any of the areas:

lynnefp17@yahoo.com

Please be sure to include:

Name

Email Address

Phone Number

Committee(s) preferred

Chair or Committee Member

ZOOM ZOOM!!

LONE STAR MIATA CLUB EVENTS 2025

Date	Event
Jan 2	Ice Cream Social; Duck Duck Scoop Ice Cream with dinner at the Bangkok Thai Street Food Restaurant, both in Fort Worth. Doug Dodgen
Jan 11	Miata Mamas; Watertower Theater & Happy Hour. Saw the play, "The Play That Goes Wrong". Sandra Osborn
Feb. 1	Ice Cream Social; Dessert Lab in north Dallas. Dinner at Jersey Mike's Sub Shop. Doug Dodgen
Feb. 2	First Run of 2025; The Groundhog Day run from Sanger to Decatur. Led by Perry Brulotte
Mar. 1	Ice Cream Social; TIFA Chocolate and Gelato in Euless. Dinner at Potbelly Sandwich Works. Doug Dodgen
Mar. 2	Wood and Time Smokehouse BBQ Run; Brent Kemish
Mar. 21–23	March Miata Madness; Car Show and Runs in Jefferson TX. Organized by Craig Woolheater. Not a LSMC event.
Apr 1	Ice Cream Social: Freddy's Custard and Burgers in McKinney; Doug Dodgen
Apr, 5	Laps for Charity 2025; This event was cancelled due to weather, and has been rescheduled for Sat. June 7, 2025. Craig Woolheater
Apr. 12	Barnhill Vineyard in Anna Outing; Music of Chicago Tribute Authority Band. Sandra Osborn and Heather Graham.
Apr. 26	LSMC Club Picnic; At Parr Park in Grapevine. Food from Austin's BBQ. The April Club meeting was at the Picnic. Brent Kemish.
May 1	Ice Cream Social; Mad Mike's in Hurst with dinner at Tacusa Tacos N Pupusas. Led by Doug Dodgen
May 3	Miata Mamas Celebrate Women Brunch at True Food Kitchen in Plano. Led by Sandra Osborn.
May 31	Brent and Kourtney's wedding celebration party in Rockwall. Hosted by Kourtney's family.
June 1	Ice Cream Social: Cream & Crepes Cafe with dinner at Haystack Burgers and Barley. Led by Doug Dodgen
June 7	Laps For Charity at Texas Motor Speedway. Proceeds to Speedway Children Charities. Craig Woolheater couldn't make it, so led by Mark Corona.
June 14	Mary's Café Run; Drive in country west of Ft Worth; Lunch at Mary's; Led by Gerry Sauls
June 21	Miata Mamas Swirl & Sip at Cassaro Vineyard. All were welcome; Led by Sandra Osborn.
July 1	Ice Cream Social: Original Rainbow Cone in Hurst. Dinner at Soulman's BBQ. Led by Doug Dodgen
July 4	City of Irving 4th of July Sparks & Stripes Parade. Lunch at Potbelly Sandwich Shop. Led by Mark Corona.
July 26	Miata Mamas Candle Making Class at Rocky Creek Candle Company in Fairview. Lunch at Gloria's Latin Cuisine. Hosted by Sandra Osborn and Heather Graham.

LONE STAR MIATA CLUB EVENTS 2025 (Cont.)

Date	Event
Aug. 1	Ice Cream Social at Bazaria Gelato and Frozen Yogurt in Plano. Dinner across the street at Arby's. Led by Doug Dodgen.
Aug. 2	Beat The Heat Drive to Breakfast at Heather's in Rio Vista TX. Led by Jeff Myers.
Aug 29 - Sept. 1	Bluebonnet Miata Club hosting Head For The Mountains. Not an LSMC event.
Sept. 1	Ice Cream Social at Handel's Ice Cream in Southlake. Dinner next door at Jersey Mike's. Led by Doug Dodgen.
Sept. 28	Miata Mamas Cooking Class at Infused Oil & Vinegars in Dallas. Hosted by Sandra Osborn and Heather Graham.
Oct. 1	Ice Cream Social at Gilmore's Scoops Lewisville. Dinner at Arepa's Street across the street. Led by Doug Dodgen.
Oct. 4	Texas State Railroad Train Ride; From Palestine to Rusk. Hosted by Sandra Osborn and Heather Graham.
Oct. 5	Ink & Ignition Tattoos and Car Show. Hosted by Track Dog Racing and Ink Life.
Oct. 26	Miata Monster Mash Car Show. Hosted by Zoom Performance, Track Dog Racing, and HL Humphries of LSMC.
Nov. 1	Ice Cream Social at Crispy Cones in North Richland Hills. Dinner at 5 Guys Hamburgers next door. Led by Doug Dodgen.
Nov 8	2026 Texas Miata Challenge launch at Group 1 Mazda in Denton, and Sky Theater Planetarium at UNT. Led by David Dixon
Nov 15	Miata Mamas Movie Under The Stars. New Hallmark movie, "Three Wisest Men". Hosted by Sarah Olidia.
Nov 22	Run to Glen Rose and Loco Coyote. Led by Sean Bryan
Nov 29	Miata Mamas Dessert Night at "Better Than Sex" in Plano. Early dinner at Urban Crust. Hosted by Sandra Osborn and Heather Graham.

Crispy Cones Ice Cream Social – November 1, 2025

The weather started to turn chilly and we had 21 people came out for ice cream! A larger than usual crowd showed up at Crispy Cones on north Davis street to try their unusual baked cones on November 1st. The Five Guys Burgers next door saw 15 of us drop in before the ice cream to get a bite before the dessert! No one left hungry! Submitted by Doug Dodgen.



Mary Dixon, Julia Kuhn, Terrie Campbell, Brian Knopp, David Dixon



Doug Dodgen, Mary Wharton, Betty Banfield, Cyndi Barker, Howard Banfield, Sarah Olidia, Yvonne Dodgen



In line at Crispy Cone; Richard Rogers, Rena Washington, Howard Banfield



Mike and Cindy Sroufe



Melissa and Perry Brulotte



Chris and Alice Soignier, Chris Rogers



Terrie Campbell, Rena Washington and daughter Chelsea

Texas Miata Challenge Launch Party – November 8, 2025

On Saturday November 8, Miata ships successfully completed *Return to the Mothership Launch*. Eleven Miata ships and fifteen crew blasted off from Group 1 Mazda in Denton at 1200 hours landing at Sky Planetarium, University of North Texas. The ship's crews gazed into the stars and listened to the presentation entitled "Seeing". From there we re-entered space touching down at the Union Bear Brewery, 3.7 light miles away. Food and drink were exceptional. Comments included best Sweet and Spicy shrimp, best of the burger for dinner and best pizza I've had in a long time. Launch party completed at 1600 hours with ships returning to their universe. Mission Control, November 8, 2025 "Over + Out" Submitted by David Dixon.



Union Bear Brewery: Brian Knopp, Julia Kuhn, Chris Rogers, David and Mary Dixon, Mary Wharton, Cyndi Barker

Movie Under The Stars – November 15, 2025

On Saturday November 15, Six Miata Club ladies came to Sarah Olidia's event for food and a movie under the stars. She held it at her house in Denton. The movie was the new Hallmark Movie "Three Wisest Men".



Plenty of food and great variety for all.



Have to have popcorn

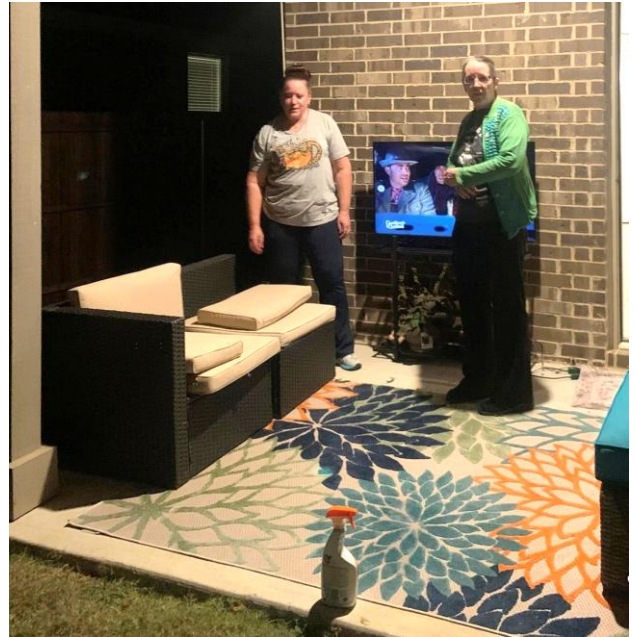


Sarah's back yard

Movie Under The Stars Cont. – November 15, 2025



Mary Wharton, Sandy Lewis



Sarah Olidia and Julia Kuhn setting up the patio and movie screen



Julia Kuhn, Sarah Olidia, Teri Franklin; Sandy Lewis and Mary Wharton with backs to us, enjoying the movie "Three Wisest Men"

Pictures from the November Meeting taken by Sandy Lewis – November 20, 2025

We had 26 members and guests at the November meeting. We had the election for 2026 Officers, and have three new officers; Sarah Olida, Tri Nguyen, Benjamin Arata



Officers for 2026:

Sarah Olida – Vice President

Benjamin Arata – Event coordinator (New position)

Mary Wharton – Treasurer

Sandy Lewis – Membership

Brent Kemish – President

Tri Nguyen – Secretary (not shown)



Karen and Sean Bryan, Heather Graham, Sandra Osborn



Terrie Campbell, Sue and Mark Corona, Richard Rogers



Andy Hsieh and daughter Abigail



Allen and Gail Yeaney



Ronnie and Cyndi Johnson, visiting from the NW Arkansas Miata Club

Pictures from the November Meeting taken by Sandy Lewis Cont. - November 20, 2025



Chris Osborn, Doug Long



Amy Mackenroth



Lynne Perler and Fred Johnson



Mary Wharton



Charles Ferguson



Ben and Benjamin Arata

Glen Rose Run – November 22, 2025

On Saturday November 22, fourteen cars gathered in South Arlington at the Albertson's parking lot on a cool but cloudless day, including several who had not been on a run before. We headed south through Venus, Maypearl, and Itasca before circling the south end of Lake Whitney, and then heading through Morgan and Walnut Springs, arriving at the Loco Coyote west of Glen Rose for lunch, where several other members joined us. After large portions of comfort food, seven cars continued south to the Valley Mills Winery where the run concluded. Submitted by Sean Bryan



Sandy Lewis



Left: Staging at Albertson's



Rena Washington



Abigail Hsieh

Glen Rose Run Cont. – November 22, 2025



Indide Loco Coyote:



Andy and Abigail Hsieh



Sean and Karen Bryan;
our leaders for this run



Julia Kuhn and Brian Knopp



Carol and Mike Magilone



Can you believe Sandy
Lewis doing a little Pole
Dancing at Loco Coyote



Had a good group at Loco Coyote



Gloria Mannino and Chris Treusch

Glen Rose Run Cont. – November 22, 2025



Abigail Hsieh, Sandy Lewis, Mary Wharton



Rena Washington, Rena's daughter Chelsea, Gloria Marrino



Brian Crooks, Teri Frankin



Chris Treusch, Abigail Hsieh



Perry Bruloette, David Dixon

Better Than Sex Dessert – November 29, 2025

Sixteen members and friends gathered at Urban Crust Pizzeria in Plano on Saturday November 29 for some good thin crust pizza. This was a Miata Mamas event hosted by Sandra and Heather.. Urban Crust was not crowded, and we were able to sit together on the first floor dining area. In addition to the specialty pizzas, you can “make your own pizza”. Terrie and I had sausage and mushroom, which was quite good.

After pizza, we moved two doors down to the Better Than Sex, a Dessert Restaurant. Walked in the door and it was DARK to give that atmosphere. The desserts were quite amazing, with names like: Cookie Nookie Pie, Blueberry Birthday Suit, Between My Red Velvet Sheets Cheesecake, and Peanut Butter Perversion. Terrie and I had the “Caress My Carrot” cake with its vanilla-bean cream cheese frosting. It was really delicious. Submitted by Richard Rogers



Chris Osborn, Terrie Campbell, Lynne Perler



Fred Johnson, Sandra Osborn, Doug Long



Sarah Olidia, Julia Kuhn, Gloria Mannino and friend Jan, Heather Graham. The pizza was served on metal stands.

Better Than Sex Dessert Cont. – November 29, 2025



Mary Wharton and daughter Allison,
Brian Knopp, Elaine Blair at Upper Crust



At Better Than Sex, the atmosphere is dark



Julia Kuhn, Brian Knopp, Mary Wharton
and daughter Allison



Sarah Olidia, Elaine Blair, Gloria Mannino
and friend Jan with dessert



Fred Johnson, Lynne Perler with Caress
My Carrot dessert.



Terrie Campbell, Richard Rogers also with
Caress My Carrot dessert

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>!

If you have not renewed your membership for 2025, 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.

2025 TEXAS MIATA CHALLENGE

Open Browser; go to web site:

<http://ismiota.org> After website opens;

Hover Mouse Over "EVENTS CALENDAR" for Drop Down Menu

Hover Mouse Over "Texas Miata Challenge"

Choose "2025 Texas Miata Challenge". This will open the Challenge website.

Click on "2025 Texas Miata Challenge Guide" for a detailed download

Note: For a list of Challenge Sites, when at the "ismiota.org" website:

Hover over "NEWSLETTERS"

Select 2025; February 2025 Newsletter to download a copy of the "February 2025 Newsletter" for a good write up of Challenge sites.

The Challenge Sites will also be in the current LSMC Newsletter.

Remember to send (email) your challenge pictures to David Dixon at:

ismc2020ND@gmail.com

There is also the internetcarclubs web site (designed by Doug Dodgen) where challenge pictures can be posted:

<http://www.internetcarclubs.com/Events/TexasMiataChallenge2025.aspx>

At Internet Car Clubs site;

Click on: "Log In" to enter your ID and Password. Check with Doug Dodgen if needed: Doug's phone number is: 817-991-7666

After Login (On the Texas Miata Challenge Page):

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 FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS TEXAS CHALLENGE for 2025



RETURN TO THE MOTHERSHIP(S) 2026 TEXAS MIATA CHALLENGE



Presented by

LONE STAR MIATA CLUB

Reasons for completing the challenge:

***See where to purchase your next new Miata**

***Learn more about Texas**

***Eat in local eateries**

***Something to tell your Grandchildren**

***Beats staying home**

***Fresh Air is good for your health**

****Become a member of an exclusive group of finishers**

And own the 2026 Texas Challenge PIN

Instructions

1. To complete the Challenge, drive to 10 of the 12 Mother Ship locations designated, take a picture of you and your Miata.

2. EMAIL your pictures to lsmc2020ND@gmail.com. Or POST to the Lone Star Miata Club Facebook page. Questions answered by the Challenge Coordinator at lsmc2020ND@gmail.com. When posting indicate the number and location.

3. The Challenge starts **October 1, 2025** ending **September 30, 2026**. To be counted in the Challenge, the pictures need to be posted or emailed by **September 30**.

Participating in the Challenge is a fun way to see parts of Texas you may not have thought of going to or exploring. Think about inviting others to come along on the Challenge. Should you go with a group, a single Miata picture of you and your Miata is appreciated. Remember, all the Mother Ship cities have great restaurants as well as Things to Do.

4. Those who complete the Challenge will be recognized at the Lone Star Miata Club October 2026 club meeting.

Dealers are aware of your visitations. By mentioning you are with LSMC you could be recognized.

Mothership locations

*Metroplex

Mother DEALERShips

1. Town North Mazda 35 Miles	307 S. Central Freeway	Richardson	1 Hour
2. Hiley Mazda 15 Miles	625 NE Loop 820 (NOTE new location)	Hurst	.5 Hour
3. Hiley Mazda 30 Miles	308 North Burleson	Burleson	.75 Hour
4. El Dorado Mazda 40 Miles	2150 North Central Expressway	McKinney	1 Hour
5. Group 1 Mazda 39 Miles	5000 I-35 East	Denton	1 Hour

*Out of Metroplex

Mother DEALERShips

6. Grubbs Mazda 115 Miles	315 Central Freeway East (NOTE: New dealership)	Wichita Falls	2 Hours
7. Varsity Mazda 210 Miles	3000 South Jack Kultgen Exp	Waco	4 Hours
8. Garlyn Shelton Mazda 140 Miles	5420 Midway Dr.	Temple	2.5 Hours
9. Velocity Mazda 130 Miles	1930 W. Southwest Loop323	Tyler	2.5 Hours
10. Gorman McCracken Mazda 160 Miles	800 Hwy 31 East	Longview	2.5 Hours

MOTHER SHIP HISTORY ADVENTURES

**11. Patricia Smith NASA Museum 375 Sabine Street, Suite B Hemphill 4.5 Hours
263 Miles ***

***. Tues – Sat 10a to 5p, admission \$8 “Remembering Columbia” crashed in East Texas, February 1, 2003**

**12. Johnson Space Center 1601 E. NASA Parkway Houston 5 Hours
300 Miles ****

**** Check Web site spacecenter.org/visito for admission info**

Note: All Time and Miles are one way calculations from Colleyville, Tx

Restaurants outside the Metroplex that we enjoyed while Returning to the Mothershp

Wichita Falls	Casa Manana, home of the red taco
Waco	Terry Blacks BBQ
Temple	Mexicano Bar and Grill
McKinney	Square Burger
Tyler	Bodacious BBQ
Hemphill	Fisherman’s Gallery really in Many, La.
Houston	Gaido’s Seafood really in Galveston

Town North-Richardson



Hiley Mazda-Hurst



El Dorado - McKinney



Herb Easley - Wichita Falls



NOTE: That Herb Easley has closed and we will use Grubbs Mazda, also in Wichita Falls

Group 1- Denton



Gorman McCracken - Longview



Velocity - Tyler



Hiley - Burleson



Varsity - Waco



Garlyn Shelton - Temple



Hemphill



Classifieds:



FOR SALE!

DON'T FORGET TO SEE OUR VICE PRESIDENT, LYNNE PERLER, FOR CLUB LOGO ITEMS!

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

Lynne orders the magnets in batches. They are great to show off when we drive as a group. Magnets are \$17 (or current price) for a set of 2. If you don't want to wait for the next batch, be sure to purchase them when she has them on hand.

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



Lynne 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 Lynne 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, Lynne Perler 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:

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Lone Star Miata Club
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Lewisville TX 75067

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

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