

## MIDSTATE MIATA CLUB OF NY MIATA / MX-5 MEANDERINGS



### President's Letter, from Karen McKissock

Well, I don't have much to share this month as the driving season is in full swing and the feedback on all the events so far is all wonderful. The diversity of events, the planning is excellent, the roads and venues have been absolutely great, and the weather has cooperated so what else is there except the rest of the season. I'm looking forward to many more opportunities to drive the tread down on my tires and mess up my hair in the wind and I'm hoping you have all planned to attend at least one event. We have a lot of new members to meet and greet and I hope you'll all be welcoming to these nice people. I'd also like to thank everyone who has made time to set up and lead the events so far. You are all *GREAT!!!*

One bit of business is that we have a couple events without Event Coordinators. We need to ask, again, for someone to step up to lead the Watkins Glen ride if anyone would like to go. I don't think we've missed it in many years outside of during COVID 19. It would

be wonderful to get it back on the schedule and I'm sure Gail Wagner would be happy to help with the pertinent information to get you going and to help have a successful event.

We also need a volunteer for the Holiday Party. I've done it for several years and have all the information on the event that you'll need. Please feel free to call me at 585-820-6010 or email me at [kmckiss1948@gmail.com](mailto:kmckiss1948@gmail.com). You don't have to do it alone...ask a friend (or me) to help.

Last, but not least, we need volunteers to plan our 30th Anniversary party next year. I'd like 1 person from each chapter (Rochester, Binghamton, Syracuse, Ithaca) to participate. I haven't received any since last month when I asked. I've gotten several ideas/inputs but not volunteers. Please don't make me start a volunteer draft...

**Contact me by July 1st.** Thank you.

*Keep Zooming!*  
*Karen*

*WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!*

***Welcome to the Midstate Miata Club of New York!***

We have many events planned this year, some with meals and ice cream. We ask all the new 2023 members keep your orange sticker on their ID badge for 2023, so the old hands can say, "Hi, and Welcome to the Club!"

NAME	CITY	CHAPTER	CAR YEAR	CAR COLOR
Edwin & Lydia Ortiz	Rochester	Rochester	2008	Blue
Pat Albanese	Scottsville	Rochester	2020	Red
Jerry & Vicki Medina	Binghamton	Binghamton	2023	Red
Tom & Julie Peck	Syracuse	Syracuse	1997	Black
Bill Tucker	Fayetteville	Syracuse	2021	Gray

*30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY IS ON APRIL 10, 2024 - APRIL 10, 1994 FOUNDING*

Do you remember these early ads?



It seems fitting to recall some of the Miata's history as our Club approaches 30 years old.  
Thank you Al & Merrilee MacWilliam

Refresh yourself, read the "[Caravan Rules](#)" before each event, as it will help reduce or eliminate delays in the departure time.

*FUTURE EVENTS*

**Sunday, July 2, Club Annual Picnic**

Event Coordinator - Ray Mosher, Syracuse Chapter

It's picnic time! The club will hold its annual summer picnic at [Fillmore Glen State Park](#), just south of Moravia (1686 State Route 38, Moravia) on July 2<sup>nd</sup>, starting at 11:00. It's been at the same venue for several years and is centrally located for the entire club. The park features a wonderful gorge to hike up, with waterfalls. It also has a natural swimming area, so bring your swimsuit and towel! The club will be renting the pavilion and providing free admission to the park but you will need to provide the money-taker with the coupon below. Cut it off and give it to the money taker at the park kiosk. Otherwise you will be charged the \$8 admission fee!

There will also be food! We are having the picnic catered again by 10-10 BBQ in Moravia. The meal will be pulled pork, speedies, baked beans, salt potatoes, and macaroni salad with iced tea and lemonade.

The club is subsidizing the meal, so the only cost to you is \$15 per person. Please pay me with cash on the day. Exact change is appreciated.

To make sure we have the correct amount of food, you will need to sign up NO LATER THAN JUNE 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please sign up by email at [mosherrskl@yahoo.com](mailto:mosherrskl@yahoo.com). We will be traveling all of June and will not be answering our land line phone and cell will be too hard to keep track of while we are on the road.

We have the Fillmore Room off the pavilion in the lower area to ourselves. We have access to a refrigerator and bathrooms. The room is enclosed with tables and chairs and there are outside tables, so we should be comfortable rain or shine. We plan to have the food delivered around noon.

Each area can coordinate their own caravan to the park. Ray and Sue will lead a Syracuse area caravan from Baldwinsville. Your area rep (Dale) will provide details. There is an ice cream stand in Moravia folks can stop at on the way home if desired.

Park admission ticket is on the next page. Be sure print it and bring it with you!

Ticket~::~:Ticket

ADMIT ONE VEHICLE TO FILMORE GLEN STATE PARK  
FOR MID-STATE MIATA CLUB PICNIC JULY 2, 2023

Ticket~:::Print and bring to the picnic~:::Ticket

Contact and register with Ray at [mosherrskl@yahoo.com](mailto:mosherrskl@yahoo.com) and your Area Representative.



## Early or mid July, Apple Hard Cider Crawl

Event Coordinator - Ray Mosher, Syracuse Chapter



This is mostly a repeat of previous runs. We meet at the Byrne Dairy on US-20, Lafayette, just west of I-81, the same location that the Apple Fritter Crawl begins at, to start our drive. We meet at 11:15 for an 11:30 departure. Snacks, potties and gas are all available here. After about a 30-minute drive we arrive at Critz Farms Brewing & Cider Co. near Cazenovia to taste their cider and beer. (There may be a food truck). Then it's an hour or so of backroads driving to Awestruck Ciders in Sidney. Awestruck has great ciders (including Hibiscus Ginger and Lavender Hops) and snacks. Then, a return drive home via a mostly different route, stopping at 1911 Beak & Skiff. The

Binghamton and Ithaca Chapters could organize their own drive to meet at Awestruck Ciders. Bring your growlers! Bottled products are also available.

This is a shine only event, but will be cancelled only in the event of a total washout day. We will run with the odd shower. There is no food on the run until we get to Awestruck around 2:30, so plan to eat lunch before you come or bring a snack. There are toilets at each stop, but none planned on the road. Indoor and outdoor seating is available at all venues.

Check out food and drink menus at [Critz Farms Brewing & Cider Co.](#) and [Awestruck Ciders](#) and [1911 Beak & Skiff](#).

Register with Ray at [mosherrski@yahoo.com](mailto:mosherrski@yahoo.com) or 315-635-2584, 315-935-6281, or 315-591-2631 and your Area Representative.



## Sunday, July 16, Skaneateles Polo Club

Rain date, Sunday 23

Event Coordinator - Dale Nagel, Syracuse Chapter

Return of a popular event. Polo starts at 3:00 at the [Skaneateles Polo Club](#), 783 Andrews Rd, Skaneateles. Ahead of that, we will meet at [Bob's Barbeque](#) on Route 281 in Homer. You can arrive early at Bob's and either eat there or get something to go to eat later at the polo grounds in Skaneateles. We will depart Bob's at 1:00 sharp (AISMR) for an approximately 45 minute drive to the Skaneateles Polo Grounds on Andrews Road. There we can tailgate prior to the start of the game at 3:00.



Of course, if desired, anyone can just meet us at the Polo Grounds.



Also, I will lead a caravan for those interested from Lafayette to Bob's. We'll meet at Byrne Dairy, Route 20 Lafayette at 11:15 for an 11:30 departure. We'll take a short scenic drive to Bob's and arrive there at about 12 noon.

This will be a shine and dry field only event. Rain (or wet field) date is Sunday, July 23rd.

This has always been a great, well attended event with 20-30 cars. Plenty of time to sit and

talk with your fellow club members and enjoy watching the polo match. On top of that, you get to fix divots on the field at halftime.

Contact Dale Nagel with any questions.



Let me know if you plan to meet at LaFayette Byrne Dairy or at Bob's. No need to reply to me if you plan to meet at the polo grounds.

Register with Dale at [dalen262@aol.com](mailto:dalen262@aol.com) or 315-706-8015 and your Area Representative.

## Saturday, July 22, Ride to Old Ft. Niagara and lunch at the Wilson Boat House

Rain Date, is Sunday, July 23

*This is a shine only event*

Event Coordinator - Nancy Lowe, Rochester Chapter

The trip begins at the [Parkside Diner](#), 4353 Culver Rd, Rochester, 14622 (Seabreeze). The drivers meeting will be at 8:15 AM and we'll leave at 8:30 AM sharp. If you'd like to start the day with a great breakfast, meet at 7 AM. Breakfast headcount needed by 7/21. We will be arriving in Youngstown by 10:30. AM.

**Admission to [Old Ft. Niagara](#) is \$15.00 per person (Group Rate). The Event Coordinator will need to pay for everyone's admission upon arrival, so please have your cash or checks available. The money will be collected in the parking lot before entry.**

Due to the possibility of weather, no pre-payments will be accepted.



There is a special program that weekend called [Reverberations of Revolution](#), depicting life on the NY frontier during the American Revolution. There will be period camps, musket and artillery demonstrations, and military skirmishes.

We are free to roam around and discover the fort on our own. There's a log cabin offering food and drink if needed.

We'll start heading back east at 1:00 PM for a ride to the [Wilson Boat House Restaurant](#) (57 Harbor St, Wilson, NY 14172) for lunch at 1:30 PM. Lunch headcount need by 7/21. You can review the menu before you arrive. After walking off lunch on Wilson Pier or the Marina, we'll hop in our cars and go 13 minutes down the road and end at Baehr's Ice Cream Cottage, 7080 Lake Road, Appleton, NY for ice cream.

NOTE: Breakfast (optional), fort, and lunch reservations required by July 21.

Register with Nancy at [nanlowe53@gmail.com](mailto:nanlowe53@gmail.com) or 585-305-4410 and your Area Representative.....

## Wednesday, August 2, Annual Log Cabin Cruise Night

Event Coordinator - Chuck Rischenole, Rochester Chapter

Come one, come all. Another of our events that has been on hold too long! This is a shine only event We will meet again for our annual visit to the Log Cabin Restaurant on route 31F in Macedon. Reserved parking spaces for the club, great food outdoors or indoors if you prefer. A great selection of hundreds of cars and motorcycles to look at and reminisce. Let your area rep know if you will be going to set up caravanning to the event.

Register with Chuck at [candgr@gmail.com](mailto:candgr@gmail.com) or 585-223-7586 or 585704-9940, no later than July 24, and your Area Representative.....

**Saturday, August 5, North Rose Model Railroad <—Date Change**

Event Coordinator - Bill Lowe, Rochester Chapter

North Rose Railroad Company, 10336 RR Ave., North Rose, NY

Think model trains are simply for going in a circle beneath the Christmas tree? This is an event that will change your mind forever. For 15-years, Gary Poole has been transforming most of the first floor of an old kidney bean packing plant in Wayne County, NY into his model railroad empire. At the moment, it occupies roughly 15,000-square feet of space and includes about two-miles of track. Wind farms, urban and suburban scenes, construction sites, amusement parks and much more make up the highly detailed scenery that surrounds that Lionel-sized railroad track...all of it painstakingly created by Gary. He is so dedicated to this endeavor that he actually lives in a portion of the building housing his display.



An up-to-date video of this massive layout can be viewed on [YouTube](#). More images are [here](#).

For those in the Rochester area and points South and West of there, we will gather at the Walmart parking lot in Webster (1990 Brandt Point Road, Webster, NY....in Baytowne Plaza) at 10:30 am on Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup> to begin the run to Gary's place. It is suggested that those coming from Syracuse and other points East plan their own route as they are encouraged to join in this event.

Along the way, we'll do lunch at Orbakers in Williamson...then on to the trains, planning to arrive in North Rose around 1 pm. Parking will be in the gravel lot to the right of the building housing the layout.

Register with Bill at [blowe0542@gmail.com](mailto:blowe0542@gmail.com) or 585-865-6158, no later than July 3, and your Area Representative.

## Saturday, August 12, Northeast Classic Car Museum

Rain date, Sunday, August 13

Event Coordinator - Del Austin, Binghamton Chapter

We will meet at the [Price Chopper](#) on Chenango Bridge Road, Binghamton, NY, in the rear parking lot. The entrance is on Route 12 just past the traffic light, near Route 12 and Chenango Bridge Road. We will meet at 10:00 am and depart at 10:15 am, departing onto Route 12 and heading north.



We will travel to the [Northeast Classic Car Museum](#), 24 Rexford Street, Norwich, NY, and arrive between 11:00 am and 11:15 am. Our group rate entrance fee is \$13 per person. Please wait until all members are present before entering the museum.

We will depart the museum for lunch between 1:00 pm and 1:15 pm on Route 12 south for the drive to [Dickey's Barbecue](#), 5698 New York 12, Norwich, NY.

I would ask any area representative who has members attending this event to give me a head count and list of names so i can inform the restaurant how many are coming by *August 9<sup>th</sup>*. My email and phone number are shown below. If there are any guest, be sure they have completed the [Guest Disclaimer Form](#).

Dickey's Barbecue has complementary soft ice cream. Or we can drive to an ice cream shop in Oxford, NY. More photos are [here](#).

I am looking forward to a safe run and seeing new and old friends.

Register with Del at [virdel2347@aol.com](mailto:virdel2347@aol.com) or 607-217-5794 and your Area Representative.....



### Saturday, August 26, Middlesex Fire Department Family Style Roast Beef Dinner

Event Coordinator - Chuck & Grace Rischenole, Rochester Chapter

After a 3 year hiatus, it's time again for the best roast beef dinner you will ever have at our annual Middlesex Roast Beef Dinner trip. We will meet at Bill Gray's 1225 Jefferson Rd in Henrietta for a 2:00 pm A.I.S.M.R. departure time. For any new members that's "Ass In Seats, Motors Running".



There will be approximately a 1 ½ to 2 hour ride to Middlesex. It has been over 47 years the Middlesex Fire Department has been doing this dinner and I can guarantee that you will not leave hungry. For those who haven't done it before this is a fresh cut roast beef dinner with all the trimmings served family style at tables of eight. The cost is \$15.00 per person. After you have had your fill, they will ask you what pie you would like for dessert. I suggest you get your pie to go as we will be continuing on after dinner to Canandaigua for the required ice cream stop.

Register with Chuck or Grace at [candgr@gmail.com](mailto:candgr@gmail.com) or 585-223-7586 or 585704-9940 and your Area Representative.

### Sunday, August 27, Western NY MG Car Show

Event Coordinator - David King, Rochester Chapter

We are invited to participate in the [Western NY MG Car Club's](#) annual Car Show. Many of us, of a certain age, were owners of MGs and former members of this club. We will be grouped together on the field among the other entrants and able to mingle and enjoy all the sports cars there. Food and beverages will be available to purchase. The show is on the Rush Fire Department field behind the fire house, 1971 Rush Mendon Road, Rush. This will be a rain or shine event. No drive will be planned for the Rochester Area group, but the other groups may organize rides. If we have at least ten cars we may elect to have a judging of our roadsters with a prize awarded. More details to follow in upcoming newsletters.

Register with David at [doeskygato@aol.com](mailto:doeskygato@aol.com) or 585-3776461 or 585-662-7635 and your Area Representative.

## Friday, September 8, Watkins Glen Vintage Weekend

Event Coordinator - Ray Mosher, Syracuse Chapter, Information Only

Every year, on the Friday after Labor Day, Watkins Glen celebrates the Grand Prix Festival. For those of you who are unfamiliar with racing and Finger Lakes history, in 1948, Watkins Glens hosted the first post-World War II auto race in the USA. Cars raced on the local roads including running straight through the middle of town. The racing continued each year until following a fatal accident in the 1952 race, after which the race moved to a dedicated track and later to its current facility now called Watkins Glen International (WGI).

The weekend after Labor Day, WGI hosts a weekend of Sportscar Vintage Racing Association (SVRA) vintage car racing. On the Friday, many of these vintage race cars come down from



WGI en masse, lap the 6.6 mile "old course" (which still exists pretty much as it did in 1948) and park on Franklin St for the evening. Spectators line the streets to celebrate a tribute to the return of these vintage racers to the village of Watkins Glen. During the day, a number of "tours" are held for the auto enthusiasts where you drive your car along a prescribed course, have a group lunch, do laps of the old course, park in a group and generally have a good time. One of these is the "Sporting Roadster Tour". This is limited to sporting convertibles to which the Miata/MX5 certainly qualifies and a number of our

members participate every year.

Whether you come for the evening to watch the cars roar through town, see all the cool cars parked in town, spend the day on a tour, or attend the vintage races at WGI, it's a great time. I encourage you all to check it out! See [GrandPrixFestival.com](http://GrandPrixFestival.com) for full details.

Register with Ray Mosher, Club Vice President, at [mosherrskL@yahoo.com](mailto:mosherrskL@yahoo.com) or 315-635-2584, 315-935-6281, or 315-591-2631 and your Area Representative.

## Sunday, September 10, Apple Fritter Crawl

Event Coordinator - Lee Maddy, Syracuse Chapter

As always, this event is less about the drive, more about Fall, apples, and which apple fritter is better. So, join us this year, see your friends and cast your vote. This is a rain or shine event.

The total event will travel down route 20 for a total trip of 6 miles, stopping at 4 apple orchards along the way. Some years Jay has organized an invitation for us all, after the orchards, for parade laps at Pineview Run Auto & Country Club in Lafayette.



Register with Lee at [nrmiataman@yahoo.com](mailto:nrmiataman@yahoo.com) or (315) 637-0472 or (315) 952-7148 or (315) 383-2454 and your Area Representative.

## Sunday, September 16, EXPLORATORIUM 2023 (NEW)

Event Coordinator - Darius Kasinskas, Rochester Chapter

### NEW EXPLORATORIUM!

Come and enjoy a great ride in the Finger Lakes while searching for answers to clues. We will provide you with a list of clues to identify something specific and a map that shows where each item is, but not which clue is at which location. You plan your route, from the map provided, and each Miata MX-5 can go a different way. Most of the answers are on the main roads. A few are off the main road but visible from the main road. Some are easy to find, and some are less easy to find. None of the clues are difficult or tricky! A few items require you to walk as much as 100 feet to read letters on a sign. At some locations, you will be able to get the answer while sitting in your car. You can reach all clues via paved roads that are in good condition.

(TBD) You will drive in the area bounded by the Thruway to the north, but not driving on the Thruway, Canandaigua Lake to the east along its length, as far west as the village of Conesus, and as far south as Springwater. The entire drive should be about 80 miles. It is best with two people per car, and they work together. However, you can do it alone. Gas, restrooms, and food are available at many locations along the way, especially in the northern part of the drive.

This event is NOT a road rally or a poker run.

Register with Darius at [miata@kasinskas.com](mailto:miata@kasinskas.com) and your Area Representative.

## Sunday, October 1, Annual Bill Hodge Memorial Road Rally

Event Coordinator - Lee Maddy, Syracuse Chapter

Attention one and all! The annual Bill Hodge Memorial Road Rally will be held on Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>. Check the next newsletter for exciting news and a detail update.



Meeting place is: TBD

Meeting time is: TBD

For those that may not be familiar with the road rally, it's kind of a driving scavenger hunt. You are given clues and directions to follow and answer questions along the way.

Follow the instructions correctly, and your team will end up at the finish line and restaurant where a good time will be had by all!

This event is for all members, not just Syracuse members. The best part is, the winner is presented with an awesome, one-of-a-kind trophy to bring home, and proudly display for the next year. I invite you to win the trophy and bring home the glory home, so you can plan next year's road rally challenge to your area.

Still planning the when and where. Check back for more details soon.

Register with Lee at [mrmiataman@yahoo.com](mailto:mrmiataman@yahoo.com) or (315) 637-0472 or (315) 952-7148 or (315) 383-2454 and your Area Representative.



## Wednesday, October 18, Annual outing with the Niagara Club for a great ride and lunch

Event Coordinator - Chuck Rischenole, Rochester Chapter

We will tentatively meet at the McDonalds in Avon, 250 E, Main St. for a pit stop and drivers meeting at 8:30am and we will depart at 9:00 am A.I.S.M.R. (I will explain for any new members). This will be approximately a one hour ride to meet up with the Niagara Club for the ride to Sprague's and pit stop at the Burger King and gas station. The drive will include a stop at the Cuba Cheese Shoppe in Cuba NY. If you have never been there before this is one of those "if we don't have it you didn't need it" stores for cheeses. The Niagara Club uses the FRS radios Channel 5 for communication on their rides so if you still have one stashed away in a drawer or box somewhere bring it along. After lunch we will do a return trip with Colby's Ice Cream & Bake Shop in Rush as our final destination. I can guarantee you good food, good ice cream, and some great roads. Sprague's Maple Farm, Cuba Cheese Shoppe, Colby's Ice Cream & Bake Shop.



If you choose not to stop at the Cheese Factory Store just continue on route 305 south to Sprague's where we will meet up to go into the restaurant together.

There will be a new route for the return trip to Colby's in Rush as our final destination. No more three mile downhill ride from Stoneybrook Park to Dansville

Register with Chuck at [candgr@gmail.com](mailto:candgr@gmail.com) or 585-223-7586 and your Area Representative.

## Sunday, December 3, Annual Holiday Party

Event Coordinator - Full Name, X Chapter

**EVENT COORDINATOR WANTED** - Karen McKissock will provide guidance and support!

Holiday party time is FINALLY BACK!! We will be having a beautiful Holiday Brunch at the Springside Inn's "[The Point at Sand Beach](#)" facility located at **2924 Sand Beach Rd, Auburn, N.Y.** There will be a cash bar available, cost of the brunch is yet to be determined. There is a maximum capacity of 80 guests so we will number registrations as they arrive. We will number and hold any received after 80 are received and after the cut off date to be used in case anyone that has registered has to drop out.

We will be making donations to an area charity. If you would like to participate please bring an unwrapped toy or other gift for a child up to 12 years of age.

We will also continue our tradition...a White Elephant gift exchange which we started several years ago. To participate, bring a wrapped gift valued under \$10 (new, used, gag or anything else) to exchange. It has been a lot of fun and generates a lot of conversation and joking.

Also returning will be the Ugly Christmas Sweater contest. Let's kick it up a notch this year and see how over the top we can go. Lot's of fun and makes for great conversation!!!

RESERVATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED NO SOONER THAN OCTOBER 1<sup>st</sup>  
AND NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 30<sup>th</sup>

Should you need to cancel your reservation, please contact ???? ASAP so we can let other members attend. Karen can be reached at email or phone. Thank you.

Do you have any questions? Karen will answer them.

There are several rooms available upon request if you would like to spend Saturday or Sunday night. Call the Springside at 315-252-7247 or visit their [website](#) for room reservations.

P.S. There will be few Miata/MX-5s in attendance, but lots of Miata/MX-5 people!

Register with HELP WANTED at email or phone and your Area Representative.....

## TBD, WGI Pace Laps

Event Coordinator - Full Name, X Chapter

**EVENT COORDINATOR WANTED** - Gail Wagner will provide guidance and support!

Meet at [Watkins Glen International Raceway](#) no later than 11:30 a.m. Three or four laps following a pace car beginning at 12:00 noon for 20 minutes. Prepaid before the event, \$20. Experience the thrill of driving on a real race track at your own pace.

After laps are complete, optional lunch will be at the [Seneca Harbor Station](#) at approximately 1:00 p.m. Individual check, no prepay for lunch.

More information and registration form coming soon! Check out "[So You Want to be a Race Car Driver](#)" under [TECH](#) on the [Miata Club website](#).

Register with HELP WANTED at email or phone and your Area Representative.....

*POST EVENT REPORTS*

**Saturday, May 27, Scenic drive and lunch at Rainbow Lodge**

Event Coordinator - Lou & Carol Trelease, Binghamton Chapter

34 people in 18 Miatas joined us for our drive and lunch at Rainbow Lodge. In addition to people from the Binghamton area, people also came from Ithaca, Syracuse and Rochester areas. It was perfect weather – 70's and sunny. The drive went smoothly and the restaurant was ready for us and did a great job serving our crowd. After we ordered and while waiting for our meals, Elisha Kasinskas gave us information on the



Club's YouTube channel. Also Joe and Joyce Lamphere were honored as being two of the longest members of the Club from the Binghamton area and Joyce was presented a corsage by Del Austin. Lunch was followed by a drive to Bainbridge for ice cream. The day was a success and people had a good time visiting, eating, and driving. The only disappointment was the bears did not show up at the dumpster for lunch!

There are more images [here](#).

Contact Lou & Carol at [buckshotfarm@aol.com](mailto:buckshotfarm@aol.com) or 607-655-3061 or 607-372-7134 (cell).

## Friday, June 2, Zoom Zoom Shop Hop

Event Coordinator - Al & Merrilee MacWilliam, Rochester Chapter

Nine Club members driving five Miatas met in Avon to kick off the first ever Mid State Miata quilt shop tour! Yes, QUILT SHOPS!

After the first shop visit in Caledonia, the order of the day seemed to be that the women went into each shop, armed with patterns, swatches, and credit cards, and the men found a shady spot near the cars to chat. This seemed to be enjoyable for both halves of the group!



We visited a second shop in Perry Center, then drove to the south entrance of Letchworth State Park. Next came a photo op at the railway trestle over the Genesee River inside the Park, then we went on to lunch at the Glen Iris Inn, also in the Park.

After lunch we cruised the length of Letchworth Park and on to a "bonus stop" at a quilt shop in Geneseo. From there we drove through rolling farm country to our final stop in Victor.

Despite solid sunshine and near 90 degree temperatures, all cars drove the whole 110 mile route with their tops down! We had some dedicated quilters and Miata drivers present!

There are more images [here](#).

Contact Al & Merrilee at [macwill77@gmail.com](mailto:macwill77@gmail.com) or 585-392-7702 or 585-465-3888.

## Saturday, June 3, Marcellus Parade

Event Coordinator - Chuck Paul, Syracuse Chapter

Coming in August.

Contact Chuck at [cpaul@twcny.rr.com](mailto:cpaul@twcny.rr.com) or 315-673-4432.



## Saturday, June 10, Twisty and hilly roads on the west side, believe it or not!

Event Coordinator - John & Susan Amon, Rochester Chapter

When we met in Spencerport, the morning temperature was cool. Most people had driven through a few showers on the way from home. We headed out with our tops up and maybe with the heaters on a little. There were twisty roads in Northhampton Park and through west side farmlands (but east for Ron, who is from Orchard Park!). The jewel was Oatka Creek Trail/Road, complete with twists, turns, small hills, and trees providing a tunnel-like experience. Then it was down Route 19 through large farm fields, for New York anyway, to a rest stop in Warsaw, where we met our last car. That gave us 11 Miatas with 19 enthusiastic people. When we arrived in Warsaw, the sun was shining and the temperature was on its way up. It was time for everyone to put their tops down and enjoy the open-air ride.



We headed west on Route 20A. There is a large windmill farm on both sides of the road. There are 75 windmills capable of 1.5 Mw each for a total capacity of 112.5 megawatts. You can see them on the weather radar, and they look like stationary thunderstorms. This road has some big hills, a few big downhill turns, and more big farms.

East Aurora had limited access because of a musical festival, so we turned off onto Folsomdale Road to travel north and west (Or that was the plan. I missed the turn and needed to find a spot to turn everyone around and go back.) Here we went along more twisty roads, farms, and pretty neighborhoods.

We arrived at the Elma Towne Grille. The food was great, and no one went away hungry!

It was onto the Marilla Country Store that has been in operation since opening in 1851. That is not a typo, 172 years. They have dozens of different departments, and some of us had trouble stopping shopping!

We finished with some more nice roads with big sweeping turns before arriving in Leroy at Cruiser's Creamery, where we enjoyed our ice cream and each others' company outside.

Contact John at [john.n.amon@gmail.com](mailto:john.n.amon@gmail.com) or 585-617-4334.

## Saturday, June 17, The Full Gulick

Event Coordinator - Elisha Kasinskas, Rochester Chapter



The Full Gulick event featured the curviest roads that Naples, Honeoye and Bristol had to offer the enthusiast Midstate Miata group. We had lunch, ate ice cream in the scenic pavilion of Linnie Lou's Ice Cream, and topped it all off with a visit to the Olde Country Store in Cohocton. Returning to our starting point after driving along Honeoye Lake and squiggly roads, the

two groups of Miatas debriefed

and lingered in the after glow of a great ride. Comments such as "can we keep going, best drive I've ever been on, and can we do this drive in the fall" were heard. If there is enough club interest, event hosts Elisha and Darius Kasinskas will run the route again- backwards! Special thanks to John Amon for leading the second group of Miatas on short notice due to the event's popularity.



More pictures are [here](#).

Contact Elisha at [ekasinskas@hotmail.com](mailto:ekasinskas@hotmail.com) or 585-737-5425.

## Saturday, June 24, Exploratorium 2022 REDUX

Event Coordinator - Darius Kasinskas, Rochester Chapter

Watch for the report in the August newsletter.

Contact Darius at [miata@kasinskas.com](mailto:miata@kasinskas.com).

TECHNICAL TIPS

by Gail Wagner, the “Wench With A Wrench”  
Midstate Miata Club of New York



I've been driving the wheels off my Scarlet. I'll have something next month.

p.s. Remember to check out my previous archived tech and tip columns on our Club website under TECH: or click [here](#).

*Zoom Zoom Safely!*  
*Gail*

DISCLAIMER

Please note these tips are not reviewed or approved by the Mazda Motor Corporation or any other corporation or entity other than the originator. The Midstate Miata Club of NY does not accept any liability for damage or injury as a result of utilizing these tips and pointers. Please use common sense and always remember safety first!

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Each year Gail Wagner, *The Wench With A Wrench*, updates her article on how to store your Miata for the winter. It is a very detailed article and every one of her points has a valid reason for being on the list.

I was doing the 30k service on my car and found a surprise! Gail suggests plugging both the exhaust pipe and engine air inlet port. I didn't and that was a mistake.



When I was checking my air filter I found a bunch of insulation and other debris.

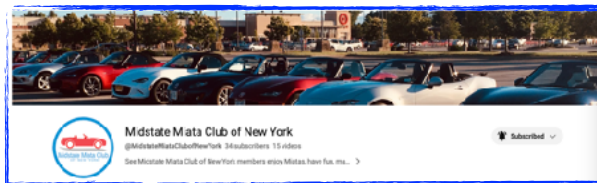
When I looked into the bottom of the air filter intake box there was a dead mouse!

The lesson is that maybe Gail knows what she is talking about.



### MEMBER STORY

Are you interested in telling your story? I know that there are many great stories out there! Send it along to me, John Amon, at [John.N.Amon@gmail.com](mailto:John.N.Amon@gmail.com).



We will create a YouTube video at the end of the year to highlight special times at the ice cream nights.

Contact us for instructions on how to contribute your memories throughout the season.

[MMCoFY@gmail.com](mailto:MMCoFY@gmail.com)

The following people have made submissions to be including in upcoming Facebook and YouTube videos. You could be a contributor also. Give it a try!

Amon, John & Susan  
Becker, John & Dolores  
Bellino-Havens, Ellen  
Blodgett, Ted  
Camacho, Ronald  
Colucci, Tony & Joette  
Kasinskaskas, Elisha & Darius  
Lowe, Nancy & Bill  
MacWilliam, Al & Merrilee  
Ortiz, Edwin & Lydia



*MIATA/MX-5 FOR SALE AND WANTED*

If you have a Miata/MX-5 or item for sale or want a Miata/MX-5 or item and would like it to be in our newsletter, please send me the information. [John.N.Amon@gmail.com](mailto:John.N.Amon@gmail.com). If you want the it to be on the website, also send the information to Lee Maddy at [mrmiataman@yahoo.com](mailto:mrmiataman@yahoo.com). Include a heading, description, your name and contact information (phone, email, address), price, and a photo or two.

**FOR SALE**

Year and model ..... 1991, Base Model  
 Exterior and Interior color . Silver exterior with black interior  
 Soft or hard top ..... Soft Top  
 Engine ..... 1.6 L 4 cylinder  
 Transmission ..... 5 speed manual transmission  
 AC or other major option . Kenwood AM/FM Radio with cassette player, no A/C  
 Mileage ..... 123,500  
 Other major options ..... Manual steering  
 Price ..... \$8,800 or best offer

General description ..... One owner  
 Always garaged  
 Always licensed, insured, NYS Inspected  
 Clean CarFax report  
 I have most service record paperwork from day 1  
 Hood has been repainted  
 Soft top replaced once  
 Newer daisy wheels that replaced the original steel wheels  
 Fun daily spring, summer, fall driver

Owner must part with this car since I'm moving South and can't take it with me. I would like "Mickey" to go to someone who will love him as much as I have.



More photos on [Google Drive](#)

Contact Linda Spas at [lspas39@gmail.com](mailto:lspas39@gmail.com) or (585) 747-8151

## FOR SALE

Club Frequency Radio  
\$50 Complete with radio, charger, & headset



Contact Chuck Rischenole if interested at [candqr@gmail.com](mailto:candqr@gmail.com)

## FOR SALE

Year and model ..... 1991 Miata, Special Edition  
Exterior and Interior color . British Racing Green (BRG)  
with tan interior  
Soft or hard top ..... New soft top plus Hard Top  
(\$1,000 value)  
Engine ..... 1.6 L  
Transmission ..... Manual 5 speed  
AC or other major option . AC  
Mileage ..... ????  
Other major options ..... Hardtop same color as the car!  
Price ..... \$8,000 (appraised at \$9,000)



General description ..... New stereo & speakers, stainless steel kick  
plates, leather seats, cruise control, tonneau  
cover, very good tires, wind block, Nardi wood  
shift knob, car cover, maintenance records, and  
always kept in storage from November 1 until

[More photos](#) on Google Drive

Contact Tony Alduino at [aalduino@yahoo.com](mailto:aalduino@yahoo.com) or 607-775-5654.

## FOR SALE

Tow Ring for a NC Miata.

It is new, never out of the box until I took the  
pictures. I bought it for my NC and  
missed placing it when I sold the car.

I am asking \$12.00 for it and that includes  
the shipping.



Contact Del Austin at [viridel2347@aol.com](mailto:viridel2347@aol.com) or 607-217-5794.

## FOR SALE

### FLOOR CREEPER

Used twice and just can't get down there anymore. Pad measures 11 in wide by 36 in long.

\$35.00



Contact Chuck Rischenole at [candgr2gmail.com](mailto:candgr2gmail.com) or 585-704-9940

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## CLUB INFORMATION

**Ice Cream Nights:** The schedule for all four Chapters' Ice Cream nights is on this [shared spreadsheet](#). The file is updated each month.

**Website:** Our Club has a [website](#). It also works on your phone!

**Facebook:** Our Club is also on [Facebook](#). There is a lot of information here, and there are updates most days.

**YouTube:** **NEW** Our Club has a [YouTube Channel](#). Take a look, like, and subscribe!

**Maps:** Ever wonder where Club members live? Check out this Club [map](#). Each Chapter has a map. [Syracuse Rochester Binghamton Ithaca](#)

**Favorite Car Shops, Part Stores, Service Centers, and Stuff:** The list is [here](#). Send additions and updates to [John.N.Amon@gmail.com](mailto:John.N.Amon@gmail.com).

**Deadlines:** Submissions for the newsletter are due to the on the 24th of each month. [John.N.Amon@gmail.com](mailto:John.N.Amon@gmail.com).

**Events:** When advertising your event, include details! Write it as an ad and remember to include that date and rain date if applicable, the meeting location and time, the distance of the drive, and maybe a photo or two. It does not need to be long but should include everything to encourage participation!

**Flyer:** You can print the [Club Flyer](#), it is a trifold with Club information and an application form.

**Registration:** To help gather the list of who is attending our events, we will require members to contact the Event Coordinator directly AND copy your Area Representative. You will only need to respond if you are planning to attend, but if you need to cancel at the last minute you need to let both the Event Coordinator and Area Representative know so they do not to hold up the ride waiting for you. Please pay close attention to the contact information and **deadlines**. When an accurate or advanced headcount is required, please do not just show up for an event. Register ahead of time with the Event Coordinator and your Area Representative.

**Guest Waiver:** Here is the [guest waiver form](#). If you bring a guest, you must print, complete, and give it to the Area Representative or Event Coordinator. Just one part.

**Rules:** [Caravan Rules](#) to consider before the event. We suggest you bring sunscreen, sunglasses, a hat, or a visor. Be sure you have a full tank of gas and your bladder is empty.

**Reports:** You should include what people enjoyed in your post-event report. Everyone enjoys hearing about the people and seeing people in or next to their Miata/MX-5s.

**Hosting Events:** For the more experienced people, there is a shorter checklist at this [link](#). Would you like to host an event? Not sure where to start? We have written this guide and have mentors who will help you. [This link](#) will take you to "Beginners Guide to Route Planning."

## QR CODES FOR YOUR FAVORITE PLACES

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Schedule



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Membership  
Application



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<i>REFRIGERATOR SCHEDULE 2023</i>
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<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Coordinator</b>
July 2	Club Annual Picnic	Ray Mosher
July 8	North Rose Model Railroad	Bill Lowe
Early-mid July	Apple Hard Cider Crawl	Ray Mosher
July 16 or 23	Skaneateles Polo Club	Dale Nagel
July 22	Old Ft. Niagara & the Wilson Boat House	Bill and Nancy Lowe
August 2	Annual Log Cabin cruise night	Chuck Rischenole
August 12	Northeast Classic Car Museum	Del Austin
August 26	Middlesex Fire Dept. Family Style Roast Beef	Chuck & Grace Rischenole
August 27	Western NY MG Car Show	Dave King
September 8	Watkins Glen Vintage Weekend	Info Only
September 10	Apple Fritter Crawl	Lee Maddy
September 16	EXPLORATORIUM 2023 (NEW)	Darius Kasinskas
October 1	Annual Bill Hodge Memorial Road Rally	Lee Maddy
October 18	Annual Outing with the Niagara Club	Chuck Rischenole
December 3	Annual Holiday Party	Help Wanted
TBD	WGI Laps	Help Wanted