

MIDSTATE MIATA CLUB OF NY “MIATA MEANDERINGS” NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME TO THE FIRST 2017 NEWSLETTER

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www.midstatemiata.net

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Note from Ray Mosher, President

As I write this, it's 16 degrees and snowing. But spring and the associated Miata season are almost here!

This is my first newsletter as your new club president. Thank you for entrusting me with the club leadership. My first objective will be to “do no harm”. I think the club is pretty cool and I really hope I don't mess it up! That said, there are always ways to improve it. This is your club. If you have a comment, suggestion, question, complaint or any ideas about the club, please drop me an email or give me a call. If you have a complaint, please try to come up with a solution.

I have been a car guy for a long time. I remember riding in my Dad's MGA convertible when I was a kid. In fact, I still have the car's grille hanging up in my garage. I long considered getting an MGA, but figured the Miata was a lot more practical. Nine years ago when my neighbor decided it was time to part with her Miata, the decision was an easy one. I drove it from her driveway to mine and set to work on it. Soon after, I met some of the club members at the Watkins Glen Vintage Racing Festival. I joined the club and have been enjoying the car and club ever since.

I need to give a shout out to some very deserving folks. First I want to express my appreciation to Karen McKissock. As president these last four years, Karen has led the club to a state that we can all be proud of. Second, a huge debt of thanks goes out to Deane Bergstrom. Having been newsletter editor since Miatas were pulled by horses, Deane has retired as editor of the newsletter. Thanks, Deane for providing for the primary means to get the club information out to the membership. Taking over the reins are our new Editor is Christie Ingram. Please support them in providing insightful, coherent and timely inputs so we can all know what's going on in our club. We have over 30 new members this year. Let's be sure to show them what we're all about and make them feel welcome.

I encourage all of you to get out, drop your top and go for a drive, even if there is no destination in mind...once it stops snowing.

Ray Mosher

PAST PRESIDENT'S NOTE



Well, first of all, I'd like to thank all our Board members for their support over the last 4 years along with all of the fantastic members that make this the best Miata club ever!!! It's true...it takes a village. My favorite part of the last 4 years has been getting to know so many more new friends from all over our area, which is no small thing as we cover a huge territory in the middle of our state. My hopes are that Ron and I will cover more events this year as we will be remaining in the Rochester area and are not moving south as we'd thought....you're stuck with us!

Second, I'd like to congratulate Ray Mosher and am very happy to be replaced with such a great representative to lead our club into new territory. As membership grows to record high levels, I am confident in his leadership abilities and hope you will all reach out to welcome him as warmly as you did with me.

I will continue on the Board in the Past President mode to provide guidance as needed. Feel free to contact me anytime. I'd love to stay in touch with each and every one of you. So to that end, I'd like to say 'Happy Trails to you!'

Always your friend,
Karen

PS I'd also like to thank Deane for his dedication to the club over many years. His contribution was priceless. In addition I'd also like to thank Christie Ingram for volunteering to take over the role of Newsletter Editor. She's a relatively new member but has the zoom zoom spirit. Let's all help her by meeting deadlines for articles and event reports per the schedule below. As more events are added to the schedule please refer to this for when your input is due.

CHANGES FOR HOW TO RESPOND TO EVENT ATTENDANCE

To help streamline communications for gathering who is attending our events we will require members to contact the Event Coordinator directly and copy your Area Rep to help them plan for caravans from your area. You will **only need to respond if you are planning to attend**, but if you need to cancel last minute you still need to let both parties so they don't hold up the ride waiting for you.

Please pay close attention to the contact info and deadlines.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINES

Date	Event	Detailed article	Post event report	Resp
April 9	Watkins Glen Opening day	March 21	April 15	Gail
May 6	Wine & Waterfall	March 25	May 15	Ray
May 13	Dewitt Pancake breakfast	March 25	May 17	Jim & Judy
May 27	Middlesex Dinner	March 25	June 15	Chuck R
June 2-4	Lake Placid weekend	April 15	June 15	Lee & Jim
June 3	Marcellus Parade	April 15	June 15	Chuck Paul
June 18	Lorenzo Euro Car show	April 15	June 22	Bob Sabella
July 21	Wagner Winery & Brewery w/Oldies music	May 15	July 25	Gail
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August 13	Polo and Tail Gate Party	June 15	August 17	Chuck & Mary Jo
August 27	Seneca Lake Brunch/Cruise	June 15	August 30	Gail
Sept. 8	Vintage Festival @ Watkins Glen	July 15	Sept. 15	Ray
Sept. 16	Palmyra Canal Days Parade	July 15	Sept. 20	Chuck R
Sept. 23	Bill Hodges Memorial Road Rally	July 15	Sept. 27	Dale
Oct 4 or 11	Lunch ride w/Niagara club	August 15	Oct. 15	Chuck R
Oct. 22	Apple Fritter Crawl	August 15	Oct. 27	Lee & Miriam
Dec. 3	Annual Holiday Party/brunch	Oct. 15		John & Elaine

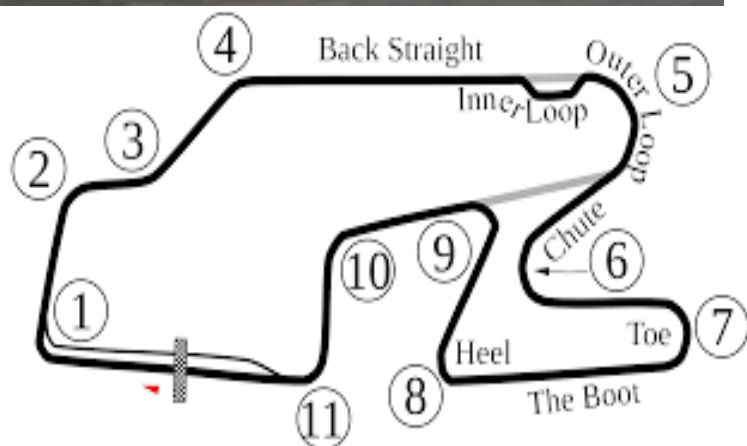
FIRST EVENT OF THE SEASON

WATKINS GLEN INTERNATIONAL RACE TRACK OPENING DAY

SUNDAY, APRIL 9,

EVENT COORDINATOR- Gail Wagner & Steve Wilson

gwtr3red@gmail.com Phone number: 607-257-7445



Do you have a secret desire to be a race car driver? Would you like to experience what it's like to drive around Watkins Glen race track? Woo-hoo! Here's your chance!

We will meet at the Watkins Glen WalMart (515 E. 4th St.) at 10:15 a.m. on Sunday, April 9th. We will then proceed promptly at 10:30 a.m. for the Watkins Glen International Race Track at Gate #2 (2790 County Road 16) for car staging for our reserved "go" time of 11:15 a.m., individual signing of track liability waiver and your cash payment of \$25.00 (CASH ONLY) for 3 laps*.

Our group track reserved time at 11:15 a.m. will take approximately 20 minutes behind a WGI pace car. We have been allotted a specific time for our group so we will need to be at Gate#2 and staged, paid and signed off

(you snooze/you lose). **Important:** We will not be able to wait for latecomers because another large group behind us is staging for their reserved run time.

**After our run, you are welcome to get back in line on your own for another \$25/3 laps and/or have lunch on your own in Watkins Glen or ?? and leave for home at your convenience.

VERY IMPORTANT: Please line up at the track with “spirited” drivers at the front of the line and slower drivers at the rear so everyone may enjoy the track experience at their own pace.

(You may want to read Gail’s Tech article on our Miata Club webpage “So You Wanna’ Be a Race Car Driver” before this event or check out YouTube videos.)

Please sign up with your area rep no later than Monday, April 3rd. This is a rain or shine event.

*** Let’s hope it’s 80F and sunny like it was last year!

MAY EVENTS

Saturday, May 1

Rotary Pancake Breakfast/Dandelion Run

Event Coordinator -Jim Williams

315-637-8988 jnwill@twcny.rr.com

Spring is here for good! The “safety gear” is installed, all systems running smooth, tire pressure is ok, clean inside and out, polished, buffed, all waxed and shined up nice....so let’s buckle up tight. The 2017 driving season is heating up. Join the fun starting with the Dewitt Rotary Clubs famous Pancake Breakfast at Shoppingtown Mall in Dewitt, NY. We will meet at 9: 30 and take the opportunity to shine and show off our beautiful cars to the big crowd that will be at hand. Our own proud Rotarian Judy Williams, has a block of discounted tickets for the pancake breakfast. There will be lots to eat and the price is right. (\$5.00 per person). At 11:30 we will depart on a drive and tour winding along some fun back roads, alongside five lakes through beautiful Madison County, You will enjoy scenic views, waterfalls, winding creeks, beautiful lakes dandelions in bloom...great roads, tight curves.. Extraordinary zooming. The roads will be twisty as usual.

Please contact Jim/Judy Williams at 315-637-8988

WINE AND WATERFALL 2.1

SATURDAY, MAY 6

EVENT COORDINATOR - Ray and Sue Mosher

mosherrskl@yahoo.com Phone: 315-637-8988

I hope you like this iteration of my Wine & Waterfalls series. This modifies a run I led 6 years ago. It seemed to be popular.

Meet at Kershaw Park in Canandaigua at 9am for a 9:30 departure. The park is at the north end of the lake on Lakeshore Drive. Lakeshore Drive runs parallel to and just south of 5/20. Access by Starbucks (S of 5/20) or Walgreens (N of 5/20) off 5/20 or bear left when coming south thru town on Main St. There are numerous potty/fuel venues nearby. Like all driving events, please arrive at your respective start venue with full fuel tanks and an empty bladder.

Drive to Penn Yan. We will stop at the Penn Yan Elementary School to pick people who want to skip the first leg, though they will miss some great twisties. Be there by 9:45 for a 10:00 departure.

Proceed from Penn Yan along the Keuka Outlet Trail to stop at 2 waterfalls at abandoned mills. One requires a level 5 minute walk, the other requires a short drive on an unpaved road (mostly grass).

From there we motor to Glenora Winery for a wine tasting and a potty stop. While here we will proceed in small groups to take the 3-mile drive down to view Glenora Falls.

Leaving Glenora, we head to a nearby surprise lunch venue. After lunch, we head between the lakes to finish up in Hammondsport and the Bully Hill Winery for more tasting.

Please RSVP Ray Mosher at mosherrskL@yahoo.com by May 1st. This is a rain or shine event.

DEWITT PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, MAY 13

EVENT COORDINATORS - Jim and Judy Williams

jnwill@twcnj.rr.com Phone: 315-637-8988

MIDDLESEX FAMILY STYLE ROAST BEEF DINNER

SATURDAY, MAY 27



EVENT COORDINATOR -Chuck Rischenole

candgr@gmail.com Phone: 585-223-7586

It's time again for our annual Middlesex Roast Beef Dinner at the Middlesex Fire House (5537 Water St, Middlesex, NY). Rochester members will meet at Bill Grays 1225 Jefferson Rd in Henrietta at 2:00pm and will be leaving at 2:30pm on an approximately 1½ hour ride to Middlesex for dinner. Cost is \$11.00 pp 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. I would suggest that you get your pie dessert to go because we will be continuing on after dinner to Canandaigua for the required ice cream stop. For the members from Syracuse area who usually leave after dinner we will be doing the ride in reverse this year to give them the opportunity to see what they have been missing. If you have to cancel on the date of the event let me know at [585-704-9940](tel:585-704-9940) so you don't hold up the ride waiting for you. ***This is a rain or shine event.***

Contact me directly only if you will be going at [585-223-7586](tel:585-223-7586) or candgr@gmail.com

MMC ICE CREAM SCHEDULE, SYRACUSE -2017

KAREN

Monthly: 2nd & 4th Thursdays @ 7:00pm

May 11- at 6:30 - Heid's Sweet Treats, 305 Oswego St, Liverpool (inside seating)

May 25- Gannon's Isle, 1525 Valley Drive, Syracuse (inside seating)

June 8- Pete's Polar Parlor, 3345 Milton Ave, Solvay

June 22- Kenny's Corner Ice Cream, 7575 Buckley Rd, No Syracuse, NY

July 13- Sweet Frog, Fayetteville Towne Center, Fayetteville

July 27- Big Dip, 216 No Main Street, No Syracuse

August 10- Sno Top, 315 Fayette St, Manlius

August 24- Vicki's Tasty Treat, 680 Old Liverpool Rd, Liverpool

September 14- Plank Road Ice Cream, 449 So Main St, No Syracuse

September 28- Carvel Ice Cream, 4322 E Genesee St, Dewitt (inside seating-park in Tops Grocery lot)

October 12th 6:30

Hafner's Garden Center, 7265 Buckley Rd, No Syracuse (inside seating)

HELP WANTED

After over 20 years as the Southern Tier Area Rep, Joe Lamphere has decided it's time for a younger person to take over that position. Joe has been doing a fine job for many, many years and we all owe him a great deal of thanks for all his work. With him stepping down, we have a vacancy that needs to be filled. Please consider taking on this job! If you are interested or have questions, feel free to contact Joe or myself. If you would like to be the Southern Tier Area Representative, please let me know.

Ray

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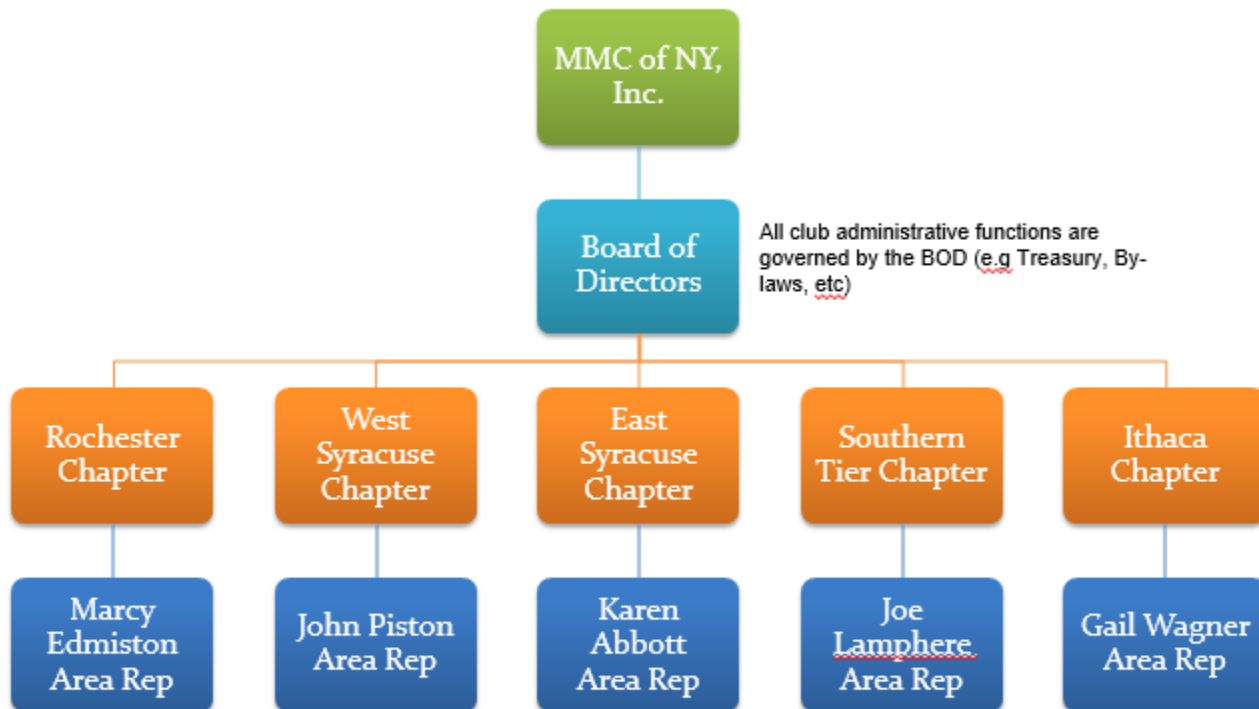
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WEST RIDGE MAZDA

MATTHEWS MAZDA

NEW MMC ORGANIZATION STRUCTURE

Midstate Miata Club of NY, Inc. Organization Chart



Chapters will have the 'jurisdiction' to determine the schedule for local and pop up events for their area. They will need to communicate to all chapters, the Activities Chair and the webmaster and specify if it is strictly local (due to venue restriction) or if it is open to all club members. Multiple events are encouraged on dates other than the Marcellus parade, Polo, and Watkins Glen opening day to encourage more members to participate.

The intent of this diagram is to help local areas realize more 'autonomy' for planning events in their area to have more local events which may encourage members to get into their cars and zoom, zoom closer to home and become more active in the club.

We will continue to provide insurance coverage, by-laws, officers, etc. at the club level we will eliminate the previous policy that we could only hold one event a day. Outside the exceptions above, there could be 4 or 5 different events in each of the different areas. Feel free to contact your Area Rep with ideas for venues that might be interesting in your area.

IMPORTANT NOTE: All events will be open to all areas unless identified in the Event article. That may be due to venue restrictions or timing.

We hope you will like this flexibility and opportunity to attend more cool rides!

TECHNICAL TIPS – ‘WENCH WITH A WRENCH’

By Gail Wagner – Midstate Miata Club of NY



Back in Action – Bringing Your Baby Back Out of Storage

Hi, Miata Folks,

Yes, that’s really me under there. As always, I welcome your comments and suggestions at:
gwagner@ithaca.edu

Here’s a quick but important “labor of love” checklist to consider when you’re ready to bring your Miata out of storage in the spring. This is a duplicate article I run every spring first-thing. I hope you find it useful either as a reminder or as a new MCC member.

Let’s hope it’s another early spring !

- Check your NYS inspection sticker for 2017 inspection date and jot it down on a calendar or your mobile device as a reminder.
- Check under the hood for evidence of rodents, as in chewed belts, hoses, wires or nests. They seem to love to snack on wiring insulation and can do some serious damage. Even so, hoses can crack or dry out on their own without the assistance of little furry critters. Also check for any loose wiring or loose connections while you’re under there.
- Reconnect the battery, if applicable, and make sure battery terminals are clean. If corroded with white crumbly stuff, make a thick paste of baking soda and water and remove the offending gunk with an old toothbrush. Dab some plain old Vaseline on the clean terminal before reconnecting to prevent corrosion.
- Check all fluid levels to make sure there are no leaks and they’re at the recommended levels. This includes fuel, brake fluid/clutch fluid, coolant, battery (if applicable), automatic transmission fluid (if applicable) and motor oil. Check your plastic drop sheet if you put one under the car to make sure there are no puddles of lost fluid! If there is, find the source and correct the problem.
- It’s also a good time to check your owner’s manual based on your vehicle’s mileage to see if any fluids, spark plugs, air cleaners, etc. need checking or replacement and do it.
- If you’ve covered the muffler or air intake, remove all the material before you start the car or you won’t be able to start and you’ll wonder why! You don’t want a “duh…” moment, do you? ☺
- Check your windshield wipers to see if they are brittle or cracked and need replacement.
- Check COLD tire pressure (after you lower it off the jack stands, if applicable) and inflate or deflate to the recommended pressure located on a sticker inside the driver side door or owner’s manual.
- Inspect your tires for any cracks, cuts or scrapes in the sidewalls or between tread rows. Check tire tread and replace if necessary. I love “www.tirerack.com” for tire recommendations and on-line purchases. Do the Lincoln “penny test” by inserting a Lincoln penny upside down into the tread. If you can see the top of Mr. Lincoln’s head, your tread is too worn less than legal 3/32” and needs immediate replacement.

- If you are mechanically inclined and a stickler for detail, you may want to consider lubing your cylinders with a few drops of motor oil before starting the engine for the first time BUT you'll have to temporarily remove your spark plugs to do so. (Warning: Removing sparks plugs is a bit tricky if you're not familiar and you'll need a few special tools but it's not that hard.
- Check the brakes. There may be some rust on the rotors and you may hear some squeaks or squeals during your first outing but this should dissipate after driving for a short time. If it doesn't... well, time to see your friendly mechanic. It's always a good idea to pull the wheels and check your brake pad thickness for possible replacement. Hopefully, you didn't leave the parking brake on during storage and seized the brakes. ☹️
- Check the check list you left on the steering wheel (recommended in my Winter Storage Tips October 2013 column) to see if there are any leftover maintenance issues that you need to address now.
- Wash your vehicle thoroughly to remove accumulated dirt and dust and use a good convertible top cleaner/reconditioner/waterproofing. I like *RaggTopp* products. (My personally recommended obsessive-compulsive detailing/washing instructions are located on the MMC website under "Tech".
- Important: Be sure to change your oil and oil filter as soon as possible - I know, I know - even though you may have changed it prior to storage. It's all about moisture in your crankcase and you want to limit rust and corrosion as much as possible especially if your Baby is "mature". As I suggested in previous columns, I highly recommend buying and taking an OEM (original manufacturer's equipment) Mazda oil filter and some good brand-name motor oil to your mechanic to change for you or, if you're a masochist like me, do it yourself (see above picture!). You can use regular petroleum-based motor oil (I like Castrol GTX) but I have recently switched to 100% synthetic motor oil (Mobil One or Redline). Just don't combine the two types of oil together. Additional tip: when you check your oil fluid level, check your dip stick for any white liquid residue on the top of the stick which would indicate moisture in the motor oil (definitely not good) and change the oil and filter immediately.
- AND FINALLY, before you commit to a long drive, consider a twenty-minute test drive around the block and at highway speed to make sure there are no remaining problems: Does the car pull to one side when braking? Does the brake pedal "fade"? Does the clutch pedal feel correct or goes to the floor too easily? Can you hear a miss in the ignition or a backfire? Are any belts squeaking? How's the oil pressure? How's the engine temperature? How's the steering - lose and wandering?

The bottom line: The better you take care of your Miata, the better it will take care of you.

Zoom Zoom Safely!

Gail

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MORE ABOUT OUR MMC WEBSITE

We hope you'll all make time to visit our website that is the most up to date information about your club. Our webmaster is always in the loop of changes, even on the day of an event to post changes due to weather, etc. *This should be your first point of reference.*

On the left of this page you will see the tabs that are on the webpage.

On the right are just a few helpers in case you are looking for a specific frequently used item.

Please visit the sight and open all the tabs to get familiar. Also, please send photos to Lee Maddy (mrmiataman@yahoo.com) to add to our growing and interesting photo albums. Your photos are always welcome!

Where to find things....

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Midstate Miata Club Schedule of Events

2017 Driving Season

Refrigerator version

DATE	EVENT	LEADER
Sunday, April 9	Watkins Glen Opening Day	Gail Wagner
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Saturday, Sept 23	Bill Hodges Memorial Road Rally	Dale Nagel
Wednesday Oct. 11	Lunch/Ride w/Niagara Club to Spragues Maple Farm	Chuck Rischenole
Sunday, Oct. 22	Apple Fritter Crawl	Lee Maddy & Miriam White
Sunday, Dec. 3	Annual Holiday Party/Brunch	John & Elaine Piston

Additional events that may be confirmed as part of the local Pop Up Event process. Watch the website for updates:

- June 2-4 weekend trip to Lake Placid – Lee Maddy/Miriam White
- TBD- Finger Lakes Gaming & Racetrack-Slots and Shoes (Horseshoes) at Finger Lakes Racino – Gail Wagner

[Additional events will be added as each local area flushes out addition fun venues and rides – please watch the website at midstatemiata.net for update](http://midstatemiata.net)

Midstate Miata Club Schedule of Events for 2017

Teaser/Preview List version 1

Full details will be in the newsletters and on our website

Sunday April 9

Watkins Glen Int'l Racetrack Opening Weekend Track Run

Do you have a secret desire to be a race car driver: Would you like to experience what it's like to drive around Watkins Glen race track? Woo-hoo! Here's your chance!!! Each geographic group will establish a time/place to meet in their area to caravan to Walmart in Watkins Glen by 10:30AM where Gail Wagner will lead all the cars to the track. \$25 cash will enable cars to take 3 laps around the track. Additional details will follow in the newsletter.

Event Leader: Gail Wagner

Sunday May 7

Wine and Waterfalls

Cars will caravan to 2 waterfalls on the Keuka Outlet trail. One requires a short (<5 minute) walk. One requires a very short dirt/grass drive (1/4 mile). The drive will proceed from there to Glenora Winery for tasting and a potty break. From the winery we will proceed in small groups (2-3 cars/group) for 3 mile side trips to Glenora Falls. We will end up at Bully Hill winery in Hammondsport for lunch. Each geographic group will establish a time/place to meet in their area to caravan to meet in Penn Yan.

Event Leader: Ray and Sue Mosher

Saturday May 13

Dewitt Pancake Breakfast/Ride

The Rotary Club in Dewitt puts on their annual pancake breakfast. Join us for a favorite annual spring event! We will all park together for a show and shine and after we munch pancakes Jim will take us for one of his fantastic rides.

Patented dandelion runs. Event Leader: Jim and Judy Williams

Saturday May 27

Middlesex Roast Beef Dinner, Ride and Ice Cream

It's time again for our annual outing to the Middlesex Fire House for their famous roast beef dinner. The cost is \$11.00 per person. For those who have not been there before the dinner is served family style at tables of eight and includes roast beef, real mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, salad, relish tray, rolls and butter, coffee or iced tea. This is an all you can eat so don't be bashful. The meal finishes with them asking what choice of pie you would like for dessert. I suggest you get the pie to go because we will be continuing on to an ice cream stop in Bloomfield. Each geographic group will establish a time/place to meet in their area to caravan to meet at the Middlesex Fire House.

Event Leader: Chuck Rischenole

Saturday June 3

Marcellus Old Home Days Parade

A great annual event included in the Marcellus Old Home Days celebration. Last year we had over 35 cars tossing candy at excited kids (and parents). This event includes one of the best rides of the year along with eats and ice cream. Local area caravans meet at the staging site.

Event Leader: Chuck Paul

Weekend June 2-4

Lake Placid Weekend

A rare club weekend event with the UMN (Underground Miata Network) from Ottawa. Details for making hotel reservations are on the club website (midstatemiata.net) under Calendar tab. Reservations are limited so don't wait to sign up.

Event Leader: Lee Maddy and Jim Williams

Friday June 18

MG Euro Car Show

The MG CAR CLUB OF CENTRAL NEW YORK has once again cordially invited the MIDSTATE MIATA CLUB to be special guests at the 2017 European car show on June 18th (Father's Day) at Lorenzo State Park in Cazenovia, New York. The show is from 9-3. Special on field parking arrangements have been made so the club's Miata's will be in the vicinity of the European car judging field, (the Miata's will not be judged) visible for all folks attending the car show to see our Miata's. There is no charge for attending event.

Event Leader: Bob Sabella

Friday July 21

Wagner Winery & Brewery

Join us at Wagner's Ginny Lee Café for live oldies music by the Tarps, a local Ithaca band including Miata Club member, Steve Ungberg on the keyboard. Caravans or individual cars can meet at Home Depot in Ithaca at 5:00PM and leave for a drive at 5:15PM backroads to Watkins Glen. Food/drink will be on your own. 6:00-8:00PM at the Brewery Pub in Hector, NY.

Event Leader: Gail Wagner and Steve Wilson

Wednesday July 26

Log Cabin Car Show and BBQ

The Log Cabin Restaurant in Macedon is hosting its Wednesday night car show with over 500 cars and 200 motorcycles attending. We have reserved parking available to club members who wish to attend. Food is available in the restaurant and outside picnic area.

Event Leaders: Ron McKissock

Sunday July 30

Club Picnic

The MMC will rent a pavilion for our club picnic at a state park. Usually the room is enclosed with tables and chairs and also outdoor picnic tables so we should be quite comfortable rain or shine. This is a State Park so there is a parking fee, plus swimming and hiking available. There will likely be a \$7.00 fee to enter the park. It will be partially subsidized by the club. What you'll need to bring details will follow.

Event Leader: Karen Abbott and Mary Ann Knight

Sunday August 13

Polo and Tail Gate Party in Skaneateles

Where else can you watch horses run and not lose your bet? A scenic drive, great barbecue, and hotly contested Polo match all on Sunday, August 13th. Join us for a day of polo with the Skaneateles Polo Club. Informal picnic on the grass, fresh air, beautiful scenery and a fun annual event.

Event Leaders: Chuck and Mary Jo Paul

Sunday August 27

Seneca Lake Brunch and Boat ride

How about a relaxing summer afternoon brunch cruise on beautiful Seneca Lake? Our destination will be at Watkins Glen Harbor at noon to proceed to boarding. The cost of the cruise and brunch is \$45.99 and will require pre-registration and payment to Gail Wagner. This is a rain/shine event and no refunds will be allowed. More details to follow in newsletter. Each geographic group will establish a time/place to meet in their area to caravan to meeting location.

Event Leader: Gail Wagner and Steve Wilson

Friday September 8**Watkins Glen Vintage Races**

Don't miss the U.S. Vintage Grand Prix, one of the largest vintage racing events in the nation, featuring historic SVRA (Sportscar Vintage Racing Association) race cars from nearly every era, as Watkins Glen International celebrates its legendary history. See website for more details: <http://www.theglen.com/Tickets-Events/Events/2017/US-Vintage-Grand-Prix.aspx>.

Event Leader: Ray Mosher

Saturday September 16**Palmyra Canal Days Parade**

Palmyra has been celebrating Canal Town Days for the past 49 years. The club has been invited back to participate in their parade. We will begin the day at the Log Cabin in Macedon and proceed with a ride to Palmyra for lunch. After showing off our cars in the parade we will drive on to Canandaigua for the best ice cream around.

Event Leader: Chuck Rischenole

Sunday September 23

Bill Hodge Memorial Road Rally Cars will meet at a pre-arranged location to participate in a memorial Road Rally for former member Bill Hodge. This is a rain or shine event which includes a timed drive with clues to reach the end location followed by lunch.

Event Leader: Dale Nagel

Wednesday October 11**Lunch/Ride with Niagara Club and Spragues Maple Farm**

Details are unfolding. Stay tuned.

Event Leaders: Chuck Rischenole

Sunday October 22**Apple Fritter Crawl**

Advertised as the shortest of all our Miata caravans (not counting parades of course), the six mile run is more about fall, the apples and which apple fritter is better. We stop at four orchards to enjoy the sights, and to taste test the apple fritters.

Event Leader: Lee Maddy and Miriam White

Sunday December 3**Annual Holiday Party**

Back by popular demand we will be having a super Sunday Brunch for our Holiday Party.

Event Leader: John Piston

Proposed events needing Event Leaders are:

Merry Go Round Theatre

Finger Lakes Race Track

National Warplane Museum Airshow in Geneseo

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