# MIDSTATE MIATA CLUB OF NY "MIATA MEANDERINGS" NEWSLETTER

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#### PRESIDENT'S LETTER



Note from Karen McKissock

Welcome 2020! I can't believe how fast the last 20 years have gone by since the big Y2K threat, but here we are and January has flown by as well. Thank goodness for that...another day closer to spring.

While this newsletter is the first one this year we have a few things to cover. First news is we will be hosting our Annual planning meeting on March 14th at Drivers Village/Burdicks in Cicero as usual. Please save the date while we work out some more details for time and catering. Jay or I will be sending more information as soon as it's ready.

We will also distribute our standard planning template for you to have prepared to share to facilitate which events will go on the schedule. Please remember that if you have an idea for an event you can always partner with another member to help if this is your first time.

Please try to attend this important event. The club continues to thrive as a result of our members stepping up to creating long lasting memories for us all. It's not hard to do and there will be some additional 'job aides' created soon.



Visit the Midstate Miata Club on the Internet at:

www.midstatemiata.net

We will also be sending out an electronic survey in February to give members a chance to share their thoughts on ways to improve the club. Stay tuned...

That's it for today, but please feel free to call me anytime at (585)820-6010.

Karen McKissock MMC President NOTICE: Deadline for the March newsletter is February 25th, Tuesday. This includes all post event reports, new events, and updated upcoming events. Please sent them to John.N.Amon@gmail.com

## REMINDER 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.

## **Event Etiquette**

If you have RSVP'd for an event, the event organizer is likely expecting you to attend and will wonder where you are if you fail to show up at the appointed time and place. If you end up not being able to attend, please let the organizer know. Otherwise, the whole group may be unnecessarily delayed waiting for you and it adds undue stress on the poor soul who is running the event. Also, if you contact the organizer on the day of the event, please don't use an email, use a direct phone call.

# **CLUB LOGO APPAREL**

We are about to start the driving season and it is a perfect time to update your wardrobe. If you are jealous of other members you see wearing clothes with the club logo, there is no need. Club apparel can be ordered through Land's End. You go through the club website and follow the "Club Apparel" link, <a href="http://www.midstatemiata.net/club\_apparel">http://www.midstatemiata.net/club\_apparel</a>. Then select the "Our e-store web link" that will direct you to Lands End. Once you select your item(s), make sure you adjust the thread colors to contrast the item. (Not much point in black thread on a black fleece.) Don't be shy about calling them for help and make sure they know what you want. If you want to save some money and aren't in a hurry, get on their email list to be notified of sales. They periodically offer free logos and/or free shipping.

# **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

Membership renewals are due before May 1st, 2020 and are \$30 per household. If there are no changes to your membership you may just mail a check. If there are any updates you should use the from on the Club membership page or you may enter the address shown below to get that form and mail the form and your check. Please make out your check to "Midstate Miata Club of NY" and mail it to the following address.

Ronnie Sabella (treasurer) 401 Swansea Ave Syracuse, NY 13206

http://www.midstatemiata.net/yahoo site admin/assets/docs/MMC Brochure 2017v2.22353905.pdf

# ANNUAL PLANNING MEETING

From the bylaws ...

#### Article VIII MEETINGS

Section A. Annual Meeting: An annual meeting of the members shall be held in February/March (or prior to the start of the driving season) each year at a time and at such place as may be determined by the Board of Directors of the Midstate Miata Club of New York to be reasonably convenient to the majority of club members. The purpose of the annual meeting shall be to plan current season events and transact such other business as may come before the meeting.

The 2020 Annual Planning Meeting will take place at Burdick Drivers' Village, 5885 Circle Drive East, Cicero, NY 13039, on the second floor. One entrance is right next to the Mazda service entrance on the southwest end of the main building.

More details to follow. Save the date, Saturday March 14, 2020! The meeting will begin promptly at 10:00 so please try to get there early if you'd like to socialize.

Enter the street address in your GPS, 5885 Circle Drive East, Cicero, NY 13039.

# TECHNICAL TIPS - 'WENCH WITH A WRENCH'

# By Gail Wagner - Midstate Miata Club of NY

(Submitted by Gail Wagner per Goggle article from "Road Show", CNST, 10/28/19):

Mazda Wants To Help Keep Your 1st-gen NA Miata On The Road and it's doing that by offering 1,100 restoration parts, all made in Japan, and all for the NA MX-5.

Kyle Hyatt October 28, 2019 3:55 PM PDT

Mazda announced on Monday that its list of 1st generation NA (1989-1998) Miata restoration parts is now 1,100 part numbers deep, which means that if you need something, there's a good chance that you can just call up the company that built the car. What's even cooler is that Mazda consulted a ton of shops and Miata clubs to find the parts that it should really be making first and prioritized them.

The restoration parts will all be made in Japan. Rather than using period-correct techniques, Mazda's giving the parts the benefit of 30 years of manufacturing improvements and technology advances while keeping the look of the parts original.

"There is a pure feeling of joy when it comes to driving a Miata, of any generation," said Masahiro Moro, chairman and CEO of Mazda North America. "By helping prolong the life of MX-5 Miata NA models, Mazda is committed to supporting the roadster culture and looks forward to seeing these historic vehicles on the road -- and on the track -- for years to come."

If you're looking for a complete and not-especially-conveniently-laid-out list of all the parts that Mazda is currently offering for this program, then you're in luck. Copy the following and paste:

https://1ijylmozio83m2nkr2v293mp-wpengine.netdna-ssl.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/Miata-Restoration-Parts-List-2019.pdf

If interested then you may want to contact your friendly Mazda dealer parts department. See the five dealers at the end of this newsletter.

Have a Safe Winter Driving Season North OR South!

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#### **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!

## **FUTURE EVENT FOR 2020**

Dear Miata Enthusiasts,

In 2015 you helped us celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the <u>Underground Miata Network</u> by attending Canada's Capital Miata Meet - 2015.

2020 will be our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and we will be celebrating once again by hosting <u>C2M2-2020!</u> We would like to extend a special invitation to you to join us again in <u>Ottawa from 13-16 August, 2020</u>. It would be a great opportunity to meet old friends and make new ones.

Details of the event are on our web site at <u>UMN-C2M2-2020.COM</u>.

Please share this email with other members of your club.

David Waung Canada's Capital Miata Meet 2020 13-16 August 2020

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