

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Sat Jun 12	Fallingwater Cruise
Thu-Sun Jun 24-27	Miata Mountain Mania 2010
Thu Jul 1 6:30 PM	Monthly Meeting at Monroeville Mazda
Sat Jul 10	Portage Cruise
Sat-Sun Jul 24-25	Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix
Sat Jul 31	Run with the Foxes Cruise
Sat Aug 7 9:00 AM	Monthly Meeting at Moon Mazda
Sat Aug 7	Air Heritage Museum Cruise
Sat Aug 28	WPMC Picnic
Thu Sep 2 6:30 PM	Monthly Meeting at Monroeville Mazda
Sat Sep 4	You Gotta Know When to "Roll" Em and When to "Fold" Em
Sat-Mon Sep 4-6	Topless in the Mountains

Sun Sep 19	Third Annual Golf Outing
Fri-Sun Sep 24-26	Niagara On The Lake
Sat Oct 2	Horseshoe Curve Cruise
Sun Oct 10	Alpaca Cruise
Sat Dec 4	WPMC Christmas Party

## Late in THE LAURELS



**BY TOM and MARY JANE SERTIK**

**C**ome join us on June 12th for a cruise through the lovely Laurel Mountains with a stop to tour Frank Lloyd Wright's Masterpiece, "Fallingwater." We will meet at McDonalds in New Stanton (just off the Turnpike on Route I-70) at 9:00 AM with a departure at 9:30 AM. Lunch will follow (Location TBA). Please RSVP to Tom and Mary Jane Sertik by noon Friday, June 9th. Questions and or RSVP: [sertikspouses@verizon.net](mailto:sertikspouses@verizon.net) or Tom's cell at 412-608-3301. Cost at Fallingwater is \$18.00 per person.





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## Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix By Wally Swarmer

**R**ace fans, start your engines - or just bring your lawnchairs. Once again, our car club will be attending the Combined Car Show at the PVGP on Saturday, July 24.

**T**he events for the PVGP start on July 16 and continue through July 25. There are many interesting events taking place around the Pittsburgh area. Details can be found on-line at [www.pvgp.org](http://www.pvgp.org). We will again be reserving a spot at Schenley Park Golf Course for our cars to be parked and will have a tent for the weekend. The reserved area and tent will also be available for our use on Sunday, race day. We will also have tables under the tent for anyone that would like to bring food and drinks to share. This is a perfect opportunity to invite anyone who owns a Miata, and is not in our club, to join us.

**E**VERY CAR must be registered for the event. Pre-registration (\$25) is recommended either online at [www.pvgp.org](http://www.pvgp.org), or you may mail the registration form included in this newsletter. Mail in registration deadline is July 10. (You will not receive a confirmation to your pre-registration; just enter the main gate at the intersection of Schenley Dr./ Forbes Ave. (5370 Schenley Dr) that morning and the attendant will have you on their list and direct you to our location.) Gates open at 9:30 AM.

**A**nyone planning to attend please contact me at [wsswarmer@consolidated.net](mailto:wsswarmer@consolidated.net) or 724 443 0834.

## Air Heritage Museum Cruise By John and Shar Whitmire

**P**lease join us as we travel some great Miata roads from Moon Township to the Air Heritage Museum in Beaver County. Founded in 1983, the Air Heritage Museum's dedicated volunteers have restored the B-17G

"Nine-O-Nine" which suffered extensive damage from a crash at the 1987 Beaver County Air Show. The Air Heritage Inc. is also in the process of restoring a collection of rare WWII aircraft. Several aircraft are presently under restoration in the 120' X 120' hanger at the Beaver County Airport. The Air Heritage Museum is truly a "working museum." After we tour the museum, we'll have lunch close by and return home on more winding roads.

**S**tarting Place: Falconi Moon Township Mazda, 5760 University Blvd., Moon Twp., PA 15108, (412) 269-1234

**D**ate & Time: August 7, 2010. Regularly scheduled WPMC Business Meeting begins at 9:00 AM. Cruise departs at 10:00 AM.

**R**svp: John Whitmire at [johnandshar1@comcast.net](mailto:johnandshar1@comcast.net) or 412-262-1813. If we're not home, leave your name and phone number on the machine.

## TOPLESS in the Mountains - XVI By Steve Lapp

**T**opless in the Mountains XVI will be from Saturday, September 4 to Monday, September 6. This is an event sponsored by the Trillium Club from Canada with an invitation to WPMC. This year's event will feature "Sporty" and "Cruising" groups to accommodate different driving styles.

**T**o sign up for this event:

1. Contact Steve Lapp at [slapp@westpennmiataclub.com](mailto:slapp@westpennmiataclub.com) or 412-366-3388 to confirm that space is available.
2. Steve will send you a registration form which you will complete and send to the Trillium leaders for this event.
3. Book your room at the Hampton Inn after your registration is confirmed.





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## Miata Rally Report BY FRAN AND RAY ROBB

**O**kay, the weather wasn't perfect, a little cool, but it wasn't raining so the tops could go down as long as your heater functioned and you wore a cozy coat.

Our intrepid group gathered at Smail Mazda in Greensburg to meet with our Rallymaster John McConaha. He explained the basics of the rally by saying it's organized like you were giving directions to someone to get to a particular spot which, for us, was the place we were to have lunch. The word "lunch" was incentive enough for this group to get serious.

**T**here were no speed requirements for the rally. You just had to follow the instructions and arrive at the restaurant.

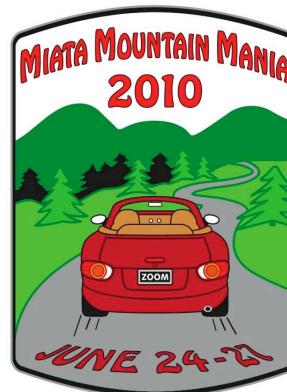
There was an "Escape Clause" in case you became hopelessly lost which no one used, I believe. There was a set of questions that had to be answered by finding the answers on signs along the course. After the first mile, we were off the beaten path and immersed in Western Pennsylvania's wonderful sports car roads. The rally took us past a number of interesting sites including the world famous Kecksburg UFO model (you all know about it, right?). It's claimed that a UFO crashed there in 1965 and it has been immortalized by a model of the craft in the parking lot of the Kecksburg Volunteer Fire Department. Since one of the rally questions required us to identify it, there were a number of creative descriptions of this piece.

**E**veryone kind of dribbled into the restaurant but not in the order they left Smails. The food was great, and the conversation fun. Thanks go out to our rallymaster and his helper for this enjoyable event. I think everyone who attended left with more knowledge about how to keep their favorite car looking and running great.

Rock and it was time to drop the tops. From there the roads straightened out a bit and we had a nice ride north to our destination, Cambridge Springs. We enjoyed lunch at the Historic Riverside Inn. We decided our server's primary job must be acting with the theater group at the Inn and was practicing on us!

**A**fter lunch it was tops up, as it rained the rest of the day. We found some more bends and curves as we made our way south towards home through Oil City, Kennerdale, and Butler. It was nice to welcome new club members Allen and Suzanne Kimble. Even though we had a small group (good things come in small packages), we had an enjoyable day.

## 2010 CRUISIN & ZOOMIN SEASON



**BY LINDA ZIMLIKI**

## RIVERSIDE INN CRUISE REPORT BY WALLY SWARMER

**W**e were unsure of the weather that morning as a small group (5 cars) took off from Cranberry. We were tops-up for a while as it was just a little too chilly. After a few bendy, curvy roads we arrived in Slippery

**W**ell, this will be short and sweet. We have the Fallingwater Cruise this Saturday then it's Miata Mountain Mania 2010! Everyone should have received an e-mail about Fallingwater although it's also in this newsletter.

**M**MM 2010 is just around the corner. We have 30 members participating from our club, which I feel is great. I'm not writing much this month as preparations still need to be completed for the event. If you're participating or volunteering, I'll see you June 23-27, 2010.





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## IN MEMORY OF JIM KONKUS



Jim Pacillo gets some practice in for Miata Mountain Mania 2010.

BY LINDA ZIMLIKI

Members who frequent our cruises will remember Jim Konkus. Jim had leukemia and battled it for several years. In the fall of 2008, Jim informed us he had a recurrence and was ready for the fight. He won that fight and last fall told me he had yet another battle in front of him. Jim was very optimistic and kept a few of us posted on his progress. I received an e-mail from him May 13 that he planned to attend Wally's cruise on May 22. I was very happy and thought things were going well for him. Jim lost his battle on May 18. Unfortunately, he never got that last Zoom-Zoom ride. We all hope he is now Zooming in heaven. Wally Swarmer represented our club at Jim's viewing.

If anyone would like to contribute to the Leukemia Society in Jim's memory, their address is:

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society  
Donor Services  
P.O. Box 4072  
Pittsfield, MA 01202

## JULY DEADLINE

THE DEADLINE FOR ARTICLES FOR THE JULY NEWSLETTER IS JULY 3, 2010





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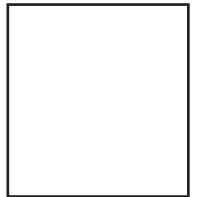
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INTERNATIONAL CAR SHOW REGISTRATION FORM



## 2010 PITTSBURGH VINTAGE GRAND PRIX COMBINED CAR SHOW ON SCHENLEY PARK GOLF COURSE

*Join 2,000 Show Cars - July 24 & 25, 2010*

All cars are welcome, all makes and ages. Use this form to pre-register by mail or go online at [www.pvgp.org/register](http://www.pvgp.org/register)  
Pre-registered entries will receive a complimentary PVGP Race Program and dash plaque at the gate. Enjoy picnic atmosphere on the golf course with no judging. Your \$25 donation benefits the Autism Society of Pittsburgh and Allegheny Valley School and includes admission to Car Shows & Vintage Races on both Saturday and Sunday. Main gate at Schenley Drive/Forbes Avenue opens each day at 9:30 AM and cars are displayed from 11:00 AM until 4:00 PM. Event held rain or shine.

**You do not need to be a member of any car club to participate**

**Mercedes-Benz, BMW, Mini, British cars and Porsche Club members should sign-up through their respective clubs  
Marque of the Year Audi's require a separate form available at [www.pvgp.org/marque](http://www.pvgp.org/marque)**

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Make \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Car Club Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

<b>International Car Show Registration</b> - \$25 donation for the weekend Includes Saturday and Sunday entry, PVGP Race Program and Dash Plaque.	\$ \$ _____
<b>"For Sale" sign to help sell your car at the event</b> - \$10 donation	\$ \$ _____
<b>"In Spirit" donation for our charities</b>	\$ \$ _____
<b>Total</b>	\$ \$ _____

Mail-in registration deadline is July 10, online registration deadline is July 22 - after that all participants must pay at gate. You can register & pay online with credit card at [www.pvgp.org/register](http://www.pvgp.org/register) or complete this form and send with a check made payable to the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix Association. Entry fee is tax deductible.

**Mail to: PVGP Car Show Registration ■ Box 200475 ■ Pittsburgh, PA 15251-0475**

**Waiver of Liability - Required**

The undersigned hereby releases the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix Association (PVGPA) and the City of Pittsburgh from any responsibility for any and all damages and personal injuries sustained by me or my property from any cause whatsoever, while driving to and from and while participating in the car shows and all other PVGP show events. It is understood that this release is given in consideration for permission to said event.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_