

Upcoming Events

Sat
Mar 1
10:00 AM

Board Meeting at Budd Baer Mazda

2025 WPMC Dues by Ed Southon

Ground Hog Day has once again come and gone, so it must be time to start thinking about the upcoming cruise season of the WPMC. It's time to make sure your Miata's battery will hold a charge, its tires are properly inflated, and its oil is fresh. It's also time to renew your WPMC membership for 2025 BY MARCH 31. Here's how:

Write a check for \$35.00 to WPMC. As noted previously, this is a rise from the former level of \$30.00, where it had been for a long time. It's still a good deal, though. Where else can you get this much fun for the money? If you are a new member, complete a Terms and Conditions form for yourself. Anyone who will be riding with you will need to complete their own, separate form. Existing members do not need to complete a new form, but any new riders who have not previously completed a form must do so. If you are a new member, complete an Application form. Existing members need to complete an amended form only if any information on the form – e.g., address, license plate, ownership, phone number - has changed. We need to be able to identify and contact members as required. Send your signed check and any forms to:

WPMC
c/o Ed Southon
151 Ft. Pitt Boulevard #903
Pittsburgh, PA 15222

In return, you will get a receipt and membership card and your name will be added to the updated membership list. Your check and materials are DUE BY MARCH 31, 2025. Forms can be downloaded at:

<http://westpennmiataclub.com/docs/Memberapp+Terms.pdf>

Here's to the pleasure of renewing old friendships and making new ones.



March Board Meeting by Joel Starr

We are looking forward to a 2025 season of cruises, car shows, and various and sundry activities. The annual Board Meeting is the first step to the new driving season. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Date & Time: March 1, 2025 at 10:00 AM

Place: Budd Baer Mazda
83 Murtland Ave
Washington, PA 15301

Budd Baer has asked us to use the employee parking to the right of the dealership. If you take the access road to the right of the dealership, there is a large parking lot catty corner in the back. Please do NOT use the customer parking area.

Lunch: Plaza Azteca Mexican Restaurant
1010 Trinity Circle
Washington, PA 15301

RSVP: jstarr@westpennmiataclub.com by February 26, 2025

2025 CRUISIN & ZOOMIN SEASON BY LINDA ZIMLIKI

It is 29 degrees outside, but in few short months we will be getting our Miatas cruising the back roads again. I can't wait. In the mean time, all you can do is dream about it. I'm busy getting a schedule together for the new season. If you would like to lead a cruise. please contact me. I have suggestions for places to visit or roads to travel

The MX-5 is the "SPOTLIGHT CAR" at the PVGP. The Spotlight car recognizes significant cars and car clubs that support PVGP. It is an honor for our club.



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PVGP is one of the top international vintage motorsport events. It is the largest one in the US and the only one that is run on city streets. It draws local and international participants. It was one of finalists for the Prestigious International Historic Motoring Awards in October, 2024. They didn't win, but it was an honor to be a finalist.

In a few weeks, our first meeting of the year will be held at Budd Baer Mazda. Details are in this newsletter. Please get your dues to Ed Southon before March 31 and see you soon.

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Anniversary Edition for 2025 according to the Car and Driver website. The anniversary model uses the Grand Touring trim as a base. This includes heated seats, a Bose audio system, and wireless Apple CarPlay and Android Auto inside. It also means an asymmetrical limited-slip differential to take near-perfect handling as close to perfect as it gets, shock tower bracing, and sport-tuned Bilstein dampers (<https://www.kbb.com/car-news/mazda-honors-mx-5-miata-with-stunning-35th-anniversary-edition/>).

In recognition of the 35th anniversary of the Mazda Miata, the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix is making the Miata the Spotlight Car for this year. I hope you all can participate in this event.

Miata Musings: 35 Years of Miatas

By Joel Starr, President



This is the 35th anniversary of the Miata's first production year, making it the most successful roadster in history. It is a testament to the engineering and commitment Mazda has for producing a fun, cost effective automobile. If you are interested in the history of the Miata, I recommend you look at the "Jay Leno's Garage" YouTube clip made about Miata's 25th anniversary. In it, he interviews Bob Hall and Tom Matano who tell about the creation and evolution of Mazda's iconic sports car.

Mazda is importing 300 copies of the MX-5 Miata 35th





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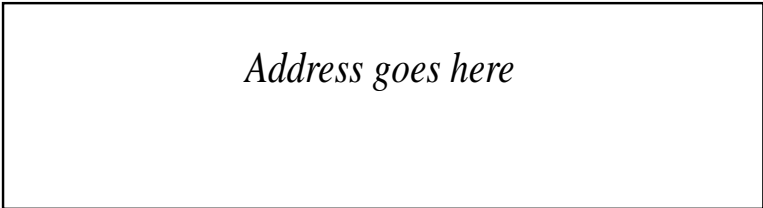
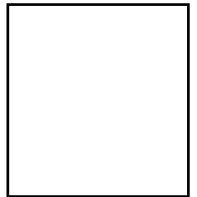
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