

Upcoming Events

Sat May 18	Cars & Coffee with Cruise to Libations Winery
Mon May 27	Baglier Memorial Day Parade
Sat Jun 1	J. M. Smucker Cruise with Northcoast Miata Club
Wed Jun 5 7:00 PM	WPMC Monthly Teleconference Meeting
Sat Jun 15	Eldred World War II Museum Cruise
Sat Jun 29	Laurel Highlands Cruise Traveling Through Five Counties
Wed Jul 3 7:00 PM	WPMC Monthly Teleconference Meeting
Sun Jul 7	Dirty Rotten Scoundrels @ South Park Cruise
Fri Jul 19	Victory Cruise - Featured Car: Miata
Sat Jul 27	Penn Shore Vineyard Cruise
Sat-Sun Aug 3-4	Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix
Wed Aug 7 7:00 PM	WPMC Monthly Teleconference Meeting
Sat Aug 17	Volant, McConnell's Mills, & Combine Brothers Cruise

Sat Aug 24	WPMC Annual Picnic
Sat Aug 31	Labor Day Weekend Cruise
Sat-Mon Sep 7-9	Watkins Glen International Racetrack Cruise
Sat Sep 14	Castle Noel Cruise
Sat-Sun Oct 5-6	Train Cruise
Sat Dec 7	WPMC Annual Christmas Party

Cars & Coffee with Cruise to Libations Winery (Rescheduled) by Jim Blok

Our first cruise will be to 901 Warrendale Plaza for Cars and Coffee. We want to get there early before it fills up and enter together. We will then leave and take some great back roads to Libations Winery for lunch. This is a new place, and the Ownership is looking forward to having us. Then finishing up for ice cream, just a short distance from the Outlet Mall in Grove City. If anyone has any questions, please contact me.

Date & Time: Saturday, May 18, Meet at 8:30 AM, Depart at 9:00 AM sharp

Meeting Location: Sheetz 1200 Perry Hwy, Wexford, PA 15090

RSVP: By May 15 to jblok@westpennmiataclub.com





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Butler Memorial Day Parade

by Joe & Linda Zimliki

We will participate in Butler's Memorial Day Parade at the invitation of Baglier Mazda. This is an event members enjoy every year. It is an opportunity to honor our brave men and women who have died in service to our country. We will not have lunch at Baglier this year due to water damage to their show room and displacement of employees at the dealership. They were hoping to have it back together by end of month but contractors can not give them a date. We will go out for lunch following a short cruise after the parade.

The club will provide a placard to place on your window during the Parade to honor those that gave their lives for their country. Members can decorate their cars with flags and swags. You can get ideas by checking prior Memorial Day events on the Event Photos page of the website.

Date and Time: Monday May 27 at 9:15 AM

Meeting Place: Baglier Mazda, 630 Evans City Road, Butler, PA

RSVP: by May 22 to lzimliki@westpennmiataclub.com or 724-327-1762

The Laurel Highlands Miles of Smiles Cruise

by Dave & Luanne Kopco

Please join Luanne and I for the re-run of our Laurel Highlands Cruise on Saturday, June 29th.. We have picked some of our most favorite Miata roads in Westmoreland, Cambria, Somerset, Bedford and Blair Counties for your driving enjoyment. We are listing this as a "zoomin" cruise so please make sure that is what you are looking for. There is no destination other than lunch and ice cream so put on your driving shoes and plan on a day of "spirited driving", and being in the Laurel Highlands also means some beautiful sight seeing, for the passengers of course. We like country roads that are not lined and

hope that you will enjoy them too. We will take one potty break before lunch and fit one more after lunch as well. Speaking of lunch, we will again be eating at The Boulevard Grill in Johnstown, where the food is always great. Note that there is a flight of steps at the restaurant. After lunch, we will enjoy more fun roads before stopping for ice cream at the end of the cruise.

This will be a Zoomin' Cruise, so please make sure that is what you are looking for. Join us as we get to highlight some of the fun roads that we have enjoyed for years. Thanks and hope to see you there. Zoom Zoom

Date & Time: Saturday, June 29 at 8:30 AM. Depart at 9:00 AM

Meeting Place: Get Go on Rt. 30, Latrobe

RSVP by Monday, June 22nd to dlkopco@gmail.com or by phone or text at (814)421-0857, cc Linda at belj8@comcast.net

Dirty Rotten Scoundrels by Ed Southon

Join us on Sunday, July 7 as we cruise to the French Riviera! Well, all right, we're not really going to Cannes or Saint-Tropez. That would take more time than we have, and there's that ocean problem. Instead, we are going to the next best thing: a Sunday matinee performance of the musical "Dirty Rotten Scoundrels" at the South Park Theatre. The musical is based on the 1988 movie starring Michael Caine and Steve Martin as a couple of professional con men who ply their trade on the French Riviera, nefariously trying to separate rich single women from some of their money. The plot features lots of lies and romance, and in the end raises questions about who is the hunter and who the prey. This musical version opened on Broadway in 2005 and played for almost two years.

We'll depart from Monroeville at 9:30. There will be a mid-cruise break, and then we will drive for lunch to the Trolley Stop Inn, a fixture in Bethel Park for 40 years. Then it's on to the South Park Theatre for the 2:00 pm matinee. As usual, we will finish with a stop for ice cream.



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Oh almost forgot to mention the roads to South Park are loaded with lots of curves.

Date & Time: Sunday July 7 Meet at 9:00 AM and depart at 9:30 AM

Meeting Place: Speedway Gas Station, 4563 Broadway Blvd, Monroeville, Pa - Intersection of Rt 48 & Rt 130

Ticket Cost: \$20

Category: Leisure & Sporty

RSVP: by June 18 to southeh@comcast.net or lzimliki@westpennmiataclub.com

2024 CRUISIN & ZOOMIN SEASON BY LINDA ZIMLIKI

Our first cruise of the season was cancelled due to weather reports of rain and thunderstorms. It has been rescheduled for Saturday, May 18 with details in this newsletter. We will attend the Memorial Day Parade, however, we will have lunch at a restaurant and not Baglier. Rock 'N Rad, scheduled for June 22, has been canceled.

Enjoy the Season

Zoom Zoomm Zoommm!

Cruise Types

LEISURE - A NICE DRIVE WHERE YOU WILL BE ABLE TO ENJOY THE COUNTRY SIDE - COMBINATION OF BELOW SPEED LIMIT & AT SPEED LIMIT

SPORTY - A SPEEDIER RIDE SO YOU CAN ENJOY THOSE CURVES - AT SPEED LIMIT

ZOOMIN - YOUR MIATA WILL BE MOVIN THROUGH A LOT OF CURVES WITH SPIRITED DRIVING

Miata Cruisin!

by Jim Blok, President

As we enter the 2024 driving season there are a lot of opportunities for members to participate. From participating in our annual Parade in Butler County to a three day cruise to Watkins Glen International Speedway and more. It seems we have the same core group of members participating in various events and it would be nice to see new faces. This is a big year for Miata as it is the 35th Anniversary of this iconic brand. What started out as an idea in Japan, has turned into a true sports car icon. Beloved and appreciated worldwide, it has always been the best bang for the buck. Although we love taking a cruise on a beautiful spring, summer or fall day, it has become the most raced car in the world.

I had the opportunity a couple of weeks ago to take in an SCCA (Sports Car Club of America) event at PitRace International. There were 8 different classes being raced. From open wheeled Formula Fords, to Ground Pounding V8 Camaros, Mustangs and more. I have to say the most exciting class was the Spec Miata class. The cars are built to spec and can't be touched other than a little tweaking. They are super-fast and exciting to watch. It was also the largest class represented, over 40 cars. If you ever get a chance to take in an event, do it.

Unfortunately, as in the past couple of years our first cruise of the season had to be cancelled due to a very poor weather forecast. As you might expect it did not rain. Cloudy all day but no rain until around 3:00 p.m. We have rescheduled the May 4th cruise to May 18th. If anyone that couldn't make it on the 4th and can on the 18th, please let me know.

Iwould recommend all members (old and new) take a few minutes, and review our event schedule in this newsletter. Linda has put together a very exciting schedule of events. Pay close attention because some dates may have changed.

Have a great Month of May and remember, PARTICIPATE!!

June Deadline

The deadline for articles for the June newsletter is June 8, 2024





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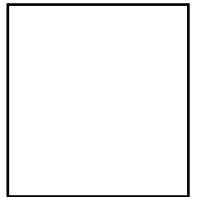
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