

The Reward

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The Prez Sez

Thank you, Bob Davis, for another wonderful run to Lompoc this past May. As usual, you ordered almost perfect weather for the event. (Regretfully, I am still Miata-less and had to hitch a ride). However, the much-hyped 4 am-in-the-effing-morning space launch was a big disappointment!



Rona Dexler
SOCALM "Prez"

We were privileged to have some new members join us; Robert and Rosie Apodaca and Larry Waltz, and Kiet Nguyen with his lovely girlfriend, along with the usual bunch and some friends we don't see that often (I'm looking at YOU, Jeff and Karen Ridenour!) And of course, we were beyond fortunate to see the One and Only Reward editor Ingrid Gillespie!

We didn't make it to Cold Springs Tavern this time but getting to the hotel 2 hours earlier has its benefits... Nap time!

Looking Down The Road...

- **ROCKIES RENDEVOUS**—
Cdn Rockies Miata Club
Sep 14-16, 2018
- **HOT LAVA 2018**—Mt Hood
Miata Club
Sep 20-23, 2018
- **ICE CREAM RUN**
June 10, 2018

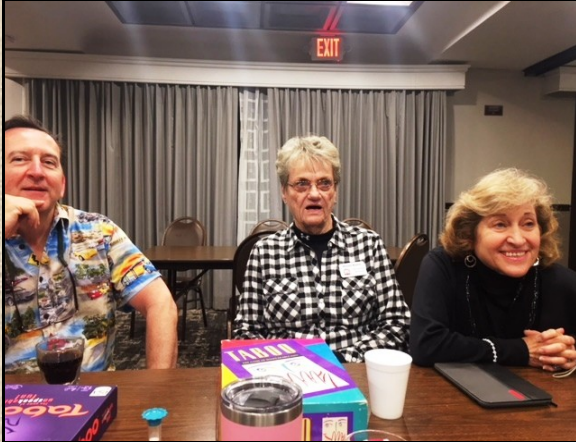


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There was the usual camaraderie in the hotel common room on Friday and Saturday night, playing Taboo and carousing late into the evening. Kiet, you play a mean game of Taboo! The hotel now serves a light dinner menu in the same Happy Hour room, so the usual problem of where to eat Friday night solved itself, for some of us.



PLAYING TABOO



OUR ACCOMMODATION

The extravagant group dinner at AJ Spurs was a hoot! It was great to meet The Rueckers' daughter Renee, (who works at Vandenberg) and her spouse. Renee and my "date" had a deeply geeky conversation during dinner, that was not to be missed! Lol...

Sadly, the frogs at AJ Spurs pond are fake too! (they fooled some of us really well!)



A few of us could NOT resist the LED boot glasses... Tom Wood and Lee Rucker, are you enjoying yours as much as I'm enjoying mine?

Here is an interesting tidbit for those that know Cynthia Votava, from Neftin Mazda in Westlake Village? She was telling me about a group of Miatas she saw on her Motorcycle run... Well, turns out, it was us! She passed us on the run from Fess Parker Winery and managed to snap a couple of pictures of the group! [See her photos at bottom of pg 7!](#)



All in all, a perfect weekend. Same time next year Bob?

PS. Check out Kiet's video of the run on YouTube! Attached is the link...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ELqo8Q-h48&feature=youtu.be>

Zoom-Zoom!

Rona D
President, SOCALM

DINNER AT A.J. SPURS



2018 Lompoc & Miatas Album - Funderful Weekend with Miatas & Friends!

I thought these came out pretty good considering a lot of the pics were taken thru the car window while Lee was driving a bumpy road and the sun on the phone screen prevented me from seeing what I was taking!
Check out the link.

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/qvdCeqQuAk8KmZJV8>



Hugs, Joy & Lee
Keep on Dancing and Prancing for Health and Happiness!
Joy Golden & Lee Slobodkin



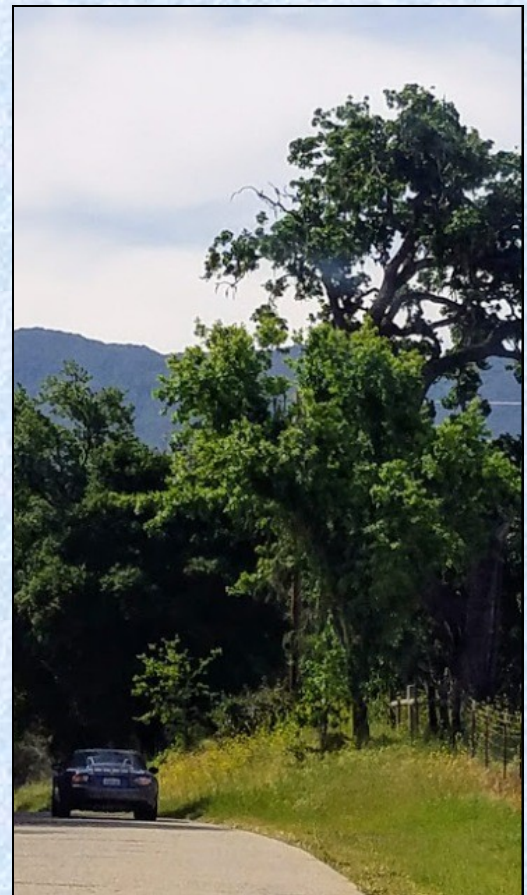
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**THANK YOU JOY & LEE FOR SHARING ALL YOUR FABULOUS
PICTURES OF THE "FUNDERFUL WEEKEND"
MIATA SPRING BREAK ON MAY 04-06, 2018!!**

2018 Lompoc & Miatas Album - Funderful Weekend with Miatas & Friends!



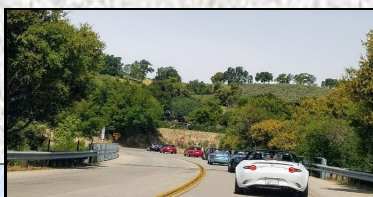
RUN TO THE WINERY



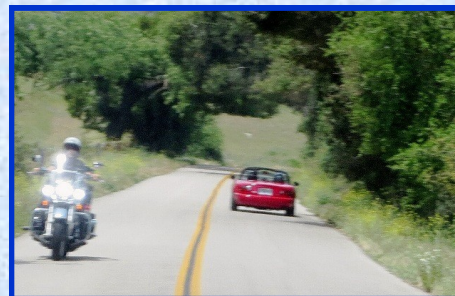
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RUN TO SOLVANG



MIATAS ON THE ROAD



Above 2 photos courtesy of Cynthia Votava

2018 Lompoc & Miatas Album - Funderful Weekend with Miatas & Friends!

**WHAT A GREAT
WEEKEND !**

(Thanks Bob & Juli)



**THE WEATHER WAS
GLORIOUS**

(Thanks Bob & Juli)



**THE SCENERY WAS
SPECTACULAR**

(Thanks Bob & Juli)

ROCKIES RENDEZVOUS—09-14/16, 2018

The Canadian Rockies Miata Club invites you to join us in beautiful Kananaskis Country for our first Rockies Rendezvous event on the weekend of September 14–16, 2018. Your registration includes a show and shine and a Barbecue in the courtyard on Friday afternoon, Saturday morning breakfast at the Delta/Marriott, a group excursion over the Highwood Pass (about a 4 hour drive) and other activities as our committee plans develop, with a wrap-up Banquet at the Delta/Marriott Saturday evening.

We're getting close to the time when we have to start financing numbers with the venue, so we'd encourage you to register in the next few weeks. We are looking forward to sharing the weekend with you at our first Rockies Rendezvous.

<https://www.rockiesrendezvous.ca/>

See you in September!

Fraser, Tom, Ward, Marshall, Ron
The Canadian Rockies Miata Club



HOT LAVA 2017 +1 — MT. HOOD MIATA CLUB

WGEB: Thu, Sep 20, 2018 | US/Pacific
Location: [Best Western Plus Hood River Inn](#)

Join us for a touring weekend with route options* to [Mt St Helens](#), Mt Adams, Mt Hood and other Columbia Gorge attractions. You may remember that [Mt St Helens](#) became famous when it erupted violently in 1980. Hot Lava has attracted many cars from across the US and Canada, so you may meet many old and new zoom-zoom friends.

HOT LAVA 2018 is \$90 for a single participant, and \$175 for a pair. The registration fee includes Thursday evening welcome social, entry to all activities/runs [including Saturday lunch], goodie bag, and the Saturday night closing banquet. There will also be an optional Sunday morning breakfast run.

Contact: Mike R Markowitz
Email: n6xrf@sbcglobal.net
Phone: 18186480933
More Info: <https://mthoodmiataclub.wildapricot.org/event-2682635>

Location Details
[Best Western Plus Hood River Inn](#)
Oregon



Welcome to the Mt. Hood Miata Club Website. We represent Miata owners in Oregon from Portland to Salem, Pendleton to the Coast, as well as Southwest Washington from Vancouver to Longview.

Ice Cream Run - 06-10-2018

DATE: June 10, 2018
TIME: 1:00pm - 4:00pm
LOCATION: McDonalds

Run will be about an hour to an ice cream location.

Run directions will be provided at the drivers meeting.

Contact: Mike Markowitz
Email: n6xrf@sbcglobal.net
Phone: 8186480933

Location Details:

Meet at:

McDonalds
 20932 Devonshire St
 Chatsworth CA 91311



Open to any Miataophile who wants to participate!!

World Record Road Rally Attempt to End Prostate Cancer—begins in L.A. on Aug 15, 2018

The rally begins in Los Angeles on August 15th and goes to Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, Louisiana, Florida, Alabama, Tennessee, North Carolina (Stop at UNC in honor of Donald R. Tomlin and a trip along the Tail-of-the-Dragon), Virginia, West Virginia, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska (2018 SCCA ProSolo Nationals), Wyoming, Idaho, Montana (Little Big Horn), Oregon, Coastal California (northern – including Highway 299 to Redding and Highway 36 to Red Bluff), Sonoma Valley, Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca, Buttonwillow Raceway, Willow Springs Raceway, and back to Los Angeles.

We are after a dual world record: 1) the longest charity road rally (pretty much in the bag) and 2) the largest charity road rally - most participants (we really need support!!!) We're reaching out to 452 auto enthusiast clubs with an estimated total membership of just over 12,000. So the potential is there!

Participants don't need to drive the entire route with us. They just need to register and, hopefully, link up with us at the daily start, finish, or the mid-day rally point and drive a few miles with us. We have a driver's forum on the website at <https://tourdeusa.events/forum/> where drivers can connect and coordinate. Please take a moment to review the website and share this opportunity with your club members. Drivers register for the event at this link: <https://tourdeusa.events/2018-driver-registration/>

Connect with us:

LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/tour-de-usa/>
LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/robertwarrenhess>
Facebook: [CancerJourneysFoundation](#)
Facebook: [TourdeUSA](#)
Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/cancerjourneys/>

Full event details are at :

<https://tourdeusa.events/2018-tour-de-usa-route/>



MEMBERSHIP

NEW MEMBERS:

RENEWAL/ PREVIOUS MEMBERS:

Rudy Benitez	Glendale	2016 Meteor Grey Brembo BBS/PKG
Mike & Joanne Markowitz	Newbury Park	1999 Highlight Silver
Manny & Yvonne Soto	Hacienda Heights	2000 Emerald Mica

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP NOW
ONLY \$25 per year!!
 renewed annually
 June 1st,
 (new memberships will be adjusted)

SOCALM's ANNUAL MEMBERSHIPS ARE DUE NOW (JUNE 1, 2018), unless you joined between December 1, 2017 through May 31, 2018 then your membership will expire June 1, 2019.

You may use PayPal via our web site at www.socalm.org. To renew hit the square Red Button **(RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP NOW!)** Please fill out the application and proceed to payment info and hit submit. To join and use PayPal, at the top of the site hit (Join our Club) then hit the round Red Button, or just send a check via snail mail with a club application to address below. Please either way it is important to fill out an application. For renewals if any of your info has changed; new car, address or email change, send a club application, which has more detail. If using PayPal to renew email me the application at membership@socalm.org or snail mail to address below.

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Just a reminder that Annual Memberships are due as of June 1. If you joined the club between December 31, 2017 and May 2018 your memberships will expire June 2019. Check your membership cards for your expiration dates!

Renew at: <http://www.socalm.org/renew-membership>

06/01 Linh Wu
 06/02 Don Asperger
 06/05 Rudy Benitez
 06/08 Tony Pearson
 06/16 Beth Victor
 06/18 Jamie Kozlevcar
 06/18 Sean Ekstrom
 06/19 Barry Rosenberg
 06/20 Larry Waltz

06/24 Mario Guillont
 06/25 Donald Haven
 06/25 George Darby
 06/28 Anne Gregory
 06/28 Tracy Tannen
 06/29 Jim Thorpe
 06/30 Melissa Gill
 06/30 Manjul Bose



MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS



Membership	
Memberships	152
Single	73
Dual	79
People	231
Cars	164

MONTH AT A GLANCE

2018 JUNE

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

www.free-printable-calendars.com

JUNE 2018 - MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- June 4 South Bay Social
- June 7 Orange County Social
- June 8 Ventura Social
- June 10 **ICE CREAM RUN**
- June 11 I.E. Social
- June 14 SGV Social
- June 15 SF Valley Social
- June 18 Santa Clarita Social
- June 26 Long Beach Gathering

Join us for good people, good food & good fun.

SPOTLIGHT— Long Beach Gathering 06/26/18

Date: Tue June 26, 2018
Time: 6:30—9:30 pm
Place: Islands Restaurant
 7531 Carson Blvd.
 Long Beach Ca 90808

Host: Bud Martin
Tel: 562.233.1272
Email: Glassrider2@yahoo.com
longbeach@socalm.org



**Beachy burger chain also serving
 Mexican eats & tropical drinks in laid-
 back environs.**



JUNE SOCIALS

South Bay Social

Date: Mon June 4, 2018
Time: 6:30—9:30 pm
Place: Havana Mania
 3615 Inglewood Ave
 Redondo Beach CA 90278
Host: Mark Kozlevcar
 310-227-1064
Email: kozlevcar@earthlink.net

Description: Please join us for the South Bay Social at Havana Mania in Redondo Beach. Luis prides himself on serving Cuban food at its finest! Everything is very good, but the roast pork (lechon) is fantastic. Hope to see you there!

More Info: <http://www.havanamania.com/>

Orange County Social

Date: Thu June 7, 2018
Time: 6:30—9:30 pm
Place: Augustino's Italian Restaurant
 12554 Valley View Street
 Garden Grove CA
Hosts: Bob & Jeri Negru
 714-692-1498

Description: This restaurant comes to us by way of Bob Davis. He claims it is quite good and since he like all of us really enjoys eating I take it that it is a very good recommendation. Therefore we will journey here for the month of June. See you there. Hosted by Bob and Jeri Negru (714)692-1498.

Augustino's (714) 891-2695.

Ventura Social

Date: Fri June 8, 2018
Time: 6:30—9:30 pm
Place: Reds BBQ and Grill
 3090 Cochran St.
 Simi Valley CA 93065 USA
Hosts: Mike & Joanne Markowitz
 818-648-0933 C
Email: n6xrf@sbcglobal.net

Description: Join us! You and your sports car should be there. RSVP is requested but not required, so we can save enough seats.

More Info: <http://www.redsbbqsimi.com>

Inland Empire Social

Date: Mon June 11, 2018
Time: 6:00—9:00 pm
Place: Cannataro's Italian Restaurant
 12345 Mountain Ave
 Chino CA 91709

Description: It's been a couple of years since we've had a social here, although Juli & I eat here about once a month. It's one of our ongoing favorites. Please join us for some great food.

Contact: Bob & Juli Davis
Email: rmdavis2002@yahoo.com
Phone: 9093743998



SGV Social

Date: Thu June 14 2018
Time: 6:30—9:00 pm
Place: Jimenez Mexican Restaurant
 15844 E Gale Ave.
 Hacienda Heights CA 91745

Contact: Yvonne/Manny Soto
Email: mycsoto@gmail.com
Phone: 626 333-2423

Description: Join us!

SF Valley Social

Date: Fri June 15 2018
Time: 6:00—9:00 pm
Place: TBD
Host: John Barreiro
Email: johnb@jbtails.com

Description: Watch for details...

Santa Clarita Social

Date: Mon June 18, 2018
Time: 6:30—9:00 pm
Place: Mom Can Cook Thai Kitchen
 18358 Soledad Canyon Rd,
 Santa Clarita, CA 91387
Host: Benny Goldstein
 661 993-3390 cell
 661 252-6941 tel

Email: santaclarita@socalm.org
bennygol@earthlink.net

Description: Join us! Let us know (if you can) that you are coming, and we'll hold a place for you.

More Info: <http://www.momcancookscv.com/>

Long Beach Gathering

Date: Tue June 26, 2018
Time: 6:30—9:30 pm
Place: Islands Restaurant
 7531 Carson Blvd.
 Long Beach Ca 90808

Host: Bud Martin
Tel: 562.233.1272
Email: Glassrider2@yahoo.com
longbeach@socalm.org

Description: Join us!

**** SEE SPOTLIGHT ON PG 12 ****

 *Join Us!*

EVOLUTION OF THE MAZDA MIATA

ZOOM ZOOM



- NA 1990-1997
- NB 1999-2005
- NC 2006-2015
- ND 2016-2018

SOCALM Financial Report

Beginning Balance, as of March 1, 2018	\$3,311.52
Revenue / Deposits:	
Dues – Renewal	50.00
	Dues – New 50.00

	Total Revenue:100.00
Expenses	
	Postage (71.00)
	Membership Supplies (82.11)
	Cheque Order(30.00)

Total Expenses	(183.11)
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SOCALM Financial Report
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Annual Dues: \$25.00 per year, due annually on June 1st. The membership of any new member(s) who join(s) during the 6 month period from June 1st through November 30th will expire as of the following June 1st. The membership of any new member(s) who join(s) during the 6 month period from December 1st through May 31st will expire as of June 1st of the subsequent year (12-18 months later).

Submissions to The Reward should be sent to the club address below. You can also send articles, pictures, and letters via e-mail to editor@socalm.org. Submissions may be edited for content or length. The standard deadline for submissions is the 20th of the month, but you should always call the Editor to check on last minute submissions. *The Reward*, its contributors, and SOCALM assume no liability for the accuracy or legality of any information appearing herein.

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SOCALM Library

Some members may not be aware that Socalm has a small library, consisting of back issues of the Miata Magazine to Winter of 1992, and a full set of past issues of the Reward, thanks to Bill Strohm who donated his collection. If you wish to borrow any of these, please contact the Acting Club Librarian, Rona Dexler, at either librarian@socalm.org or 818.426.0193. We ask only that you return any borrowed items promptly so that others may also borrow as needed.

CB radios are a great way to communicate during a run while enhancing the driving experience.

WARNING: A driver's use of a CB while driving most likely violates recently enacted CA DMV Code restricting the use of handheld electronics. **USE AT YOUR OWN RISK!**

Note to Run Leaders: It would be helpful if you would mention this information at each drivers' meeting.



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