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We'll be Cruisin' Soon



Plus...

Miatas @ the Movies

MX5 Euphonic

Aquatic Miata

And more....



A picture says a thousand words.

To quote Jay Leno, the Miata is all about balance and this photo demonstrates that exquisitely.

On the Cover



Sun, Sea and a Miata
If that doesn't put a



on your face, nothin' will.

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Lookin' Down the Road

A snapshot of events to look forward to this season

Annual Spring Meeting - April 13th

We will have our Annual Spring Meeting as a "Meet & Greet" to help kick off the cruising season. We will outline our cruises for the year and provide status updates and maybe even take a little cruise weather permitting. Please note the original date has been changed from the 14th.

Spring Fling - May 5th

For our Spring Fling in 2013 we are going to return to the Swiss Country Restaurant on Old Mill Bay of Ahmic Lake for brunch and cruise the back roads near Magnetawan & Burk's Falls. Just as a "heads up" we will be looking a Cruise Director for this cruise.

Niagara on the Lake - May 25th

The rooms are booked, reservations for dinner are made and the route has been mapped out for our "Overnighter" to Niagara on the Lake. We will join the Niagara group to partake in a little cruise, a little wine tasting (of course), maybe some leisurely shopping.

Scenic Picnic - June 15th

This year's destination cruise until we arrive at Tom & Katie's for a picnic lunch.

Scavenger Hunt - June 23rd

The Bryans have promised us an interesting cruise looking for interesting "stuff" which always adds to the pleasure of a cruise.

Ladies Only Cruise - July 21st

Back by popular demand, Heather will provide the ladies with some cruising, dining, shopping and more.

Huronian Cruise - July 27th

Our third trip to the land of Samuel de Champlain as the Landers will provide the cruise and the Giggs will host a BBQ afterwards.

Ottawa Cruise - August

Another Overnighter, this time to the Nation's Capital and possible hook up with the Ottawa group.

Port McNicol Cruise - August

Dick Smyth has agreed to blow the dust off his Mazdaspeed and lead us on a cruise around Port Nichol.

St. Jacobs Cruise - Sept. 14th

we are looking towards a day cruising down to St. Jacobs for a lovely lunch and a little shopping.

Fall Colours Cruise - Oct 6th

Our Fourth Annual Fall Colours Cruise will again include guests from the Trillium club.



Miatas @ the Movies



Spy Car Escape - Season 8 Episode 3

On this episode of **MythBusters**, it's spy vs. spy as Adam and Jamie investigate the best way to lose a tail in a car chase. These intrepid investigators test three of the all-time movie classics: tacks, smoke, and oil all launched from the trunk of a moving car. Jamie and Adam not only design and install the weapon systems, they take turns as 'pursued' and 'pursuer.' They do it all in a trio of Miatas (automatics no less) being chased by a Pontiac Firebird. Quite entertaining, particularly the initial smoke screen test.

To watch the episode click [here](#).



Ooops !!



These cars really fly...



The Stars of the show

Did you Know ?

Mazda 6 in Japan

The new Mazda 6 just introduced is a sexy four door sedan in North America but back home in Japan you can purchase a slick station wagon version as well as many cosmetic and performance accessories, why don't Manufacturer's do that in North America any more?



The new North American Mazda 6



The Japanese Station Wagon version with aerodynamics package with front air dam, side skirts and rear valance.



Another Japanese version showing the chrome accents available for the grill, side panels and fog lights.

Helpful Hints - The Portable GPS

I read an article recently of a couple that had their car broken into while they were at a football game. Their car outside in the parking lot adjacent to the football stadium specially allotted to football fans. Things stolen from the car included a garage door remote control, some money and a portable GPS unit which had been prominently mounted on the dashboard.

Upon returning home the victims discovered their house had been ransacked and just about everything worth anything had been stolen. The thieves had used the GPS to guide them to the house. They then used the garage remote control to open the garage door and gain entry to the house. The thieves knew the owners were at the football game and by knowing what time the game was scheduled to finish they knew how much time they had to clean out the house. It would appear that they had brought a truck to empty the house of its contents.

Something to consider if you have a GPS - don't put your home address in it... Put a nearby address (like a store or gas station) so you can still find your way home if you need to, but no one else would know where you live if your GPS were stolen.

Miscellaneous



It's funny how some owner's cars just seem to come home to roost sometimes. A Miata spotted recently in a local retail parking lot was about to receive a MoM business card when the current owner approached the car and of course a Miata conversation ensued. The car in question was Nigel Ford's 2001 Crystal Blue baby sold to Cathy, an old friend living out of town. Cathy's niece has recently opened up a coffee shop in Huntsville so it is quite likely we'll be seeing this beautiful car again a little more frequently, hopefully joining us on a cruise or two.



Of course this isn't the first car to return to its Muskoka roots as is Don & Christine Egan's 2006 Silver Miata which was purchased new at Mazda Muskoka by charter member Don Barrick.

The most well known automotive critic in the world, Jeremy Clarkson, the host of the Top Gear television programme, once wrote this about the Miata:

***The fact is that if you want a sports car, the MX-5 is perfect.
Nothing on the road will give you better value.
Nothing will give you so much fun.
The only reason I'm giving it five stars is because I can't give it 14!***

And Now for Something Completely Different



In late 2002 the Mazda Engineering & Technology Co. initiated a program called "Refresh Vehicle" whereby they would buy up, restore, re-engineer and re-issue first generation Roadsters (in Japan only) generally built to customer specifications and resell them through the Mazda Dealer network. Although the story of that program may be fodder for another time it presents the precedent for their new aquatic Miatas.

The new Aquada Miata is a high speed amphibious vehicle capable of speeds over 160 km/h on land and 50 km/h (26 knots) on water.

The Aquada was designed by converting second generation Miata platforms and rebuilding them from the ground up to perform very well in both fields of travel. It operates in two very different ways: it planes like a speedboat on water and on the road performs like a sports car.

And who wants an amphibious sports car? The most obvious use is exploring the beauty of Muskoka both **on** and **around** the lakes, does it get any better? For more detailed info on this vehicle than can be explained here we recommend you check out this [link](#).



The best of both worlds



Looks like fun, doesn't it





SPOTLIGHT ON

2004 MX5 Euphonic

The Mazda MX-5 Euphonic, introduced in mid-January 2004 with a production run of only 2000 units was available in only four colours; Brilliant Black, Titanium Grey, Velocity Red and Sunlight Silver. A special Euphonic badge was attached to the front fenders to identify this model.

All models sported 16" alloy wheels, low profile tires and locking wheel nuts. The alloy wheels although identical to the wheels used on the 2002 North American Special Editions had a unique Mesh Titanium paint finish.



The four Colours of Euphonic



It was in the interior that the Euphonic differentiated itself from other Miatas. The interior was trimmed with black leather seats with red leather inserts with matching door trim panels similar in appearance to the standard Mazdaspeed interior which utilized fabric in lieu of leather.

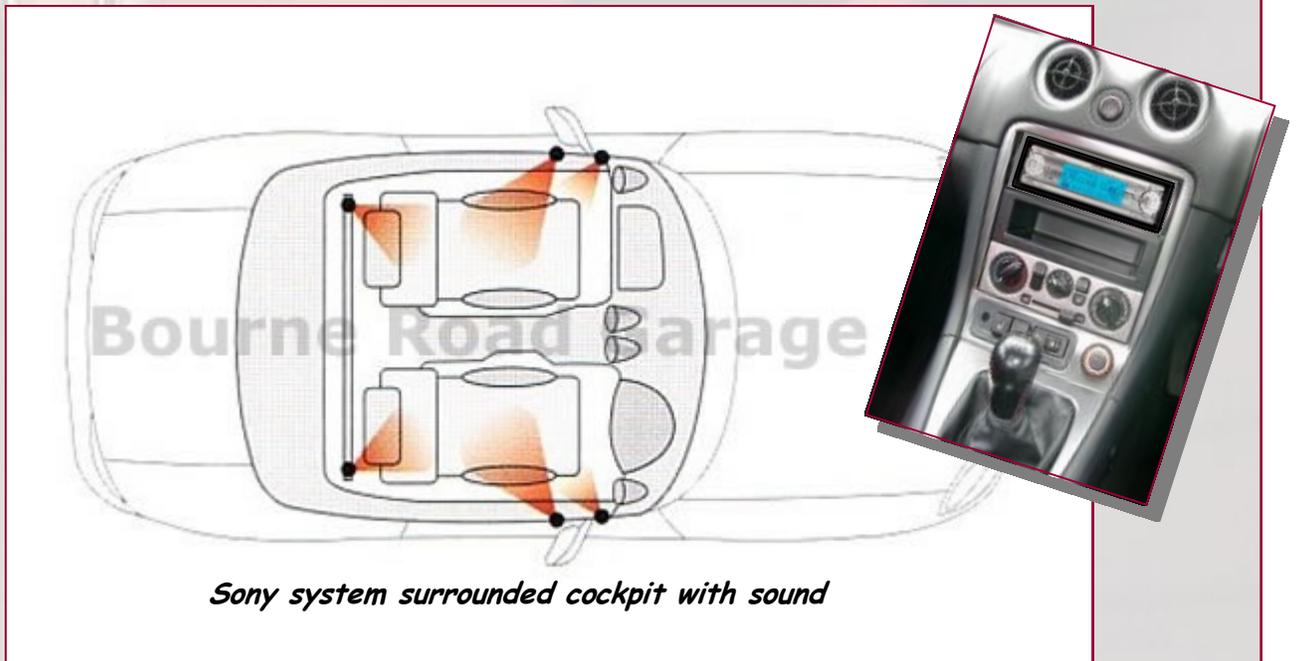
Further enhancements included leather steering wheel, handbrake grip and gear knob with red stitching which helped set off the interior.



Leather interior with many unique appointments

Other small interior features included such things as chrome trim rings around vents, white faces gauges on the dash, carbon effect centre console, stainless door sills and special carpets.

One of the key interior features was the Sony in-car entertainment system with a Sony CDX-MP80 MP3/CD radio head unit, a 6 disc CD-changer located in the boot with a remote control. Six speakers located in the windblocker and doors surrounded the occupants with sound.



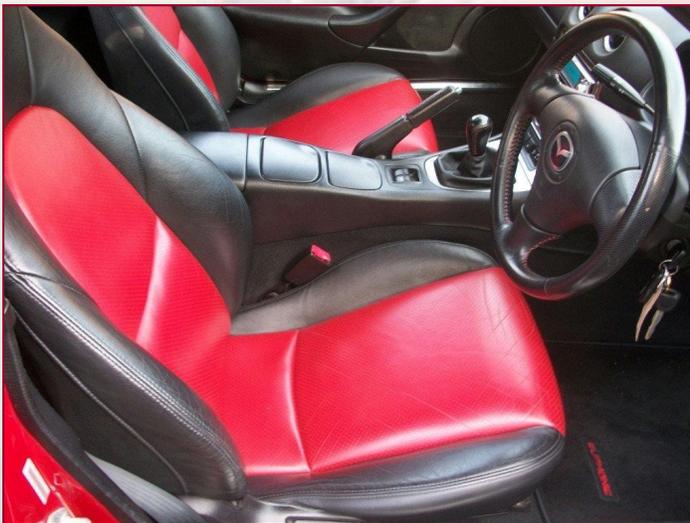
Sony system surrounded cockpit with sound



Unique finish on wheels used on Euphonic



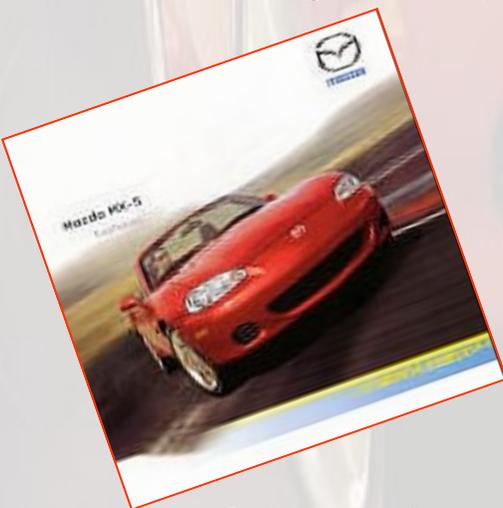
..as apposed to the chrome NA Version



Interior featured all leather seating, red stitching, special carpets



White Faced Gauges



Euphonic Brochure



Special Euphonic Badge

Things that make you say ...Hmm?

Τις αρεσες σου πιασες λοιπ αυλ ...Ημωμς



Not so sure...



This Australian Miata owner wanted more storage capacity. (neat plate too)



Seriously???

