

# Summer 2014

## Miatas of Muskoka

The **MX-5**, released as the **MX-5 Miata** in North America and the **Roadster** in Japan, is a lightweight two-seater roadster with a front-engine, rear-wheel-drive layout. Manufactured by Mazda in Hiroshima, Japan, the model debuted in 1989 at the Chicago Auto Show. The MX-5 was conceived as a small roadster – with light weight and minimal mechanical complexity limited only by legal and safety requirements; technologically modern, but philosophically descending from small British and Italian roadsters of the 1960s such as the Triumph Spitfire, MG MGB, Fiat 124 Sport Spider, Alfa Romeo Spider, and Lotus Elan.

The second generation MX-5 (NB) was launched in 1998 and the current (NC) model has been in production since 2005. It continues to be the best-selling two-seat convertible sports car in history<sup>[1]</sup> and by February 2011 over 900,000 MX-5s had been built and sold around the world.

Since the launch of the third generation, Mazda consolidated worldwide marketing using



the MX-5 name with the exception of North America where it is marketed as the MX-5 Miata.<sup>[3]</sup> The name Miata derives from Old High German for reward.

The MX5's first generation, the **NA**, sold over 400,000 units from 1989 to 1997 – with a 1.6 L (98 cu in) straight-4 engine to 1993, a 1.8 L (110 cu in) engine thereafter (with a DE-tuned 1.6 as a budget option in some markets) – recognizable by its pop-up headlights. The second generation (**NB**) was introduced in 1999 with a slight increase in engine power; it can be recognized by the fixed headlights and the glass rear window, although first generation owners may opt for the glass window design when replacing the original top. The third generation (**NC**) was introduced in 2006 with a 2.0 L (120 cu in) engine.

With an approximate 50:50 front/rear weight balance, the car has nearly neutral handling. Inducing oversteer is easy and very controllable, thus making the MX-5 a popular choice for amateur and stock racing, including, in the US, the Sports Car Club of America's Solo2 autocross and Spec Miata race series, and in the UK, the Ma5da racing championship.

In 2009, English automotive critic Jeremy Clarkson wrote:

**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.**

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mazda\\_MX-5](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mazda_MX-5)

Volume 1, Issue 2

Newsletter Date  
May 2014

ZOOM ZOOMIN A SHARED BOND!!!

### Inside this issue:

MoM Spring Fling	2
Overnight Cruise Schedule	2
Members Share	2
Day Trip Cruise Schedule	3
Caught on Camera	3
Mark your Calendar Ice Cream Runs	4
Follow Us	4

## Contact Council of Miataville

### Club Activities:

\*Bob Macaulay (Carol)  
cmacaulay\_8@sympatico.ca

### Finance:

\*Maureen Newton (Don Nickalls)  
zackmoe@vianet.ca

### Club Merchandise:

\*Laurel Bauldry (Gordon)  
lbauldry@surenet.net

### Membership Service:

\*Ted and Lynn Bryan  
evlyn.payton@bell.net

### Website

Paul Bennett  
in-fo@paulbennettphotography.com

### Past Mayor:

\*Michael Topping (Sue)

## MoM's "Spring Fling"

**First Cruise of the season** launched with 9 cars starting at Washago, cruising up Southwood Road to Torrance, then up to Bala and over to Hwy. 400 via M.R. 38, then south via 400 to Port Severn for a nice lunch at The Inn at Christie's Mill. The weather was quite brisk, but stayed dry, so tops were down for most of it.



## Overnight Cruise Schedule 2014

### 1. Walter's Falls/Grey County

Aug. 9<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>

Over night (1 night)

Cruise Directors: Bob and Carol Macaulay  
\*\*\*

### 2. Rouyn-Noranda/Val D'Or Quebec

Aug. 16<sup>th</sup> -- 17<sup>th</sup>

Over night (1 night)

Cruise Director: Dick Smyth

## Overnight Cruises for 2014

### 3. 1000 Is. Cruise/Gananoque

Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup> -- 24<sup>th</sup>

Over night (2 nights)

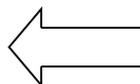
Cruise Director:: Maureen Newton



## Members Share



(As far as we know, photo is public domain)



"You can't say that we don't have a sense of humour!"

Photo Source: Seldom Seen Road Photo cc Gord McKenna on flickr

Awesome, turning left now

## Day Trip Cruise Schedule 2014

Parry Sound Boat Cruise **Sat. June 7<sup>th</sup>** Cruise Directors: Laurel Bauldry & Bob Macaulay

Scavenger Hunt **Sun. June 22<sup>nd</sup>** Cruise Directors: Lynn & Ted Bryan

Mosport/Mazda Cup **Sun. July 13<sup>th</sup>** Cruise Directors: Paul Bennett & Michael Topping

Picnic – Algonquin Park **Thurs. July 17<sup>th</sup>** Cruise Directors: Dave & Diane Phillips

Ladies' Cruise **Sun. July 20<sup>th</sup>** Cruise Director: Heather Fraser

Peerless II Boat Cruise (Lake Rosseau) **Sun. Sept. 07<sup>th</sup>** Cruise Directors: Lynn & Ted Bryan

Midland – Ste. Marie Among the Hurons + Lunch @ Henry's Restaurant **Sat. Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>**  
Cruise Director: Sarah Lomas

Fall Colours (Muskoka) **Sun. Oct. 05<sup>th</sup>** Cruise Director: Michael Topping



## Caught on Camera



Caught on Camera is an opportunity for members to submit photos of either Miata-ville group photos, spectacular views, funny or unusual sites caught on camera while on zoom control.

Zoom your lenses, while you zoom zoom  
Submit your photos that you would like to share in our newsletters to

*Spring Fling 2014  
Lunch at  
Inn at Christie's Mill  
Nestled on a spectacular Muskoka  
peninsula in the hamlet of Port Severn*

*Christie's  
Mill*  
*Inn & Spa*





<http://www.miatasofmuskoka.com/>  
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Miatas-of-Muskoka/177889645646804>

**We are a small group of Miata enthusiasts that like to explore the twisty back roads and scenic lakes in Canada's premier vacation playground ..... Muskoka!**

“It is my opinion that enjoying yourself in the present and loosening your definition of time slows the aging process.”

— [Frederick Dodson](#), *Parallel Universe Of Self*

*Frederick speaks like a Mazda Miata owner!*

“Be the person behind the wheel of your life and let others become the passengers in your journey.”

— [Author Unknown](#) and is definitely a Miata Driver!



Please forward comments and suggestions to  
Heather Fraser  
[heatherlisa@gmail.com](mailto:heatherlisa@gmail.com)

## Mark your calendars

### ICE CREAM CRUISES



**\*\*WEDNESDAY EVENINGS\*\***

## Welcome to

## Kawartha Dairy

For over 75 years, Kawartha Dairy has been proud to be a 100% Canadian-owned company, still operated by the same family that started it back in the beginning. Although it has grown tremendously from its early days, it remains headquartered in Bobcaygeon, Ontario, where it was founded. In 1937 Jack and Ila Crowe took a leap of faith and bought a small dairy in Bobcaygeon. Jack had learned the trade while working for Oshawa Dairy but the newly renamed Kawartha Dairy didn't bear much resemblance to that larger big city firm. At that time it consisted of a small, simple three room building, where the cold storage area was cooled with ice cut from the lake.

### Kawartha Dairy Ice Cream Nutrition Fact

There is a list of Gluten Free Flavours in Ice Cream, Sherbet, Frozen Yogurt and No Sugar Added flavours that are considered to be gluten free manufactured by Kawartha Dairy Limited.

<http://kawarthadairy.com/nutrition/>

**EVERY WEDNESDAY EVENING 6:30 PM**

**@ BRACEBRIDGE Y.I.G. PARKING LOT**

**Unless otherwise advised in advance via email.**

