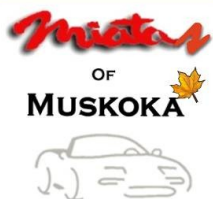




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## NEWSLETTER

Hello Everyone,

On August 25th under threatening skies, the **Miatas of Muskoka** held its first organized event by exploring the Haliburton Highlands. The weather cooperated however, allowing the 12 members who attended the opportunity to get to know one another better as well as stretch the legs of their Miata.



*Our Miatas lined up ready to go*

Two new cars and their owners participated in the event this trip:  
Joe & June Riley (red 1990) and Dick Smyth (Red 1993).

After introductions and some socializing Gord & Laurel Bauldry led the caravan off through the banks of Hwy 118 and into the town of Haliburton where we stopped for a brief "walk about" so Darlene could **SHOP** and the rest of us enjoyed the sites and sounds of the quaint little town.



*A ribbon of Miatas makes its way to Haliburton*

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After our brief pit stop in Haliburton we were on our way to Pinecone Resort to stop for a refreshment and a nibble. Upon our arrival at the resort the threat of rain was still very evident so all of our members (except one gambler) decided to put the top up while inside....just in case.



It was unnecessary as the rain never did come and after a few pictures of members with their cars we were off to the most important part of the trip Kawartha Dairy in Minden for some ice cream!!!



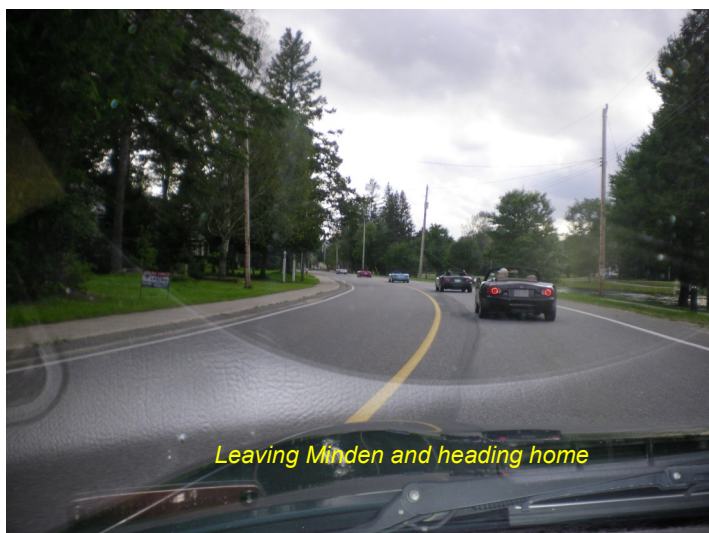
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The stop at the Dairy was used as a meeting platform and discussions around potential events and who and how they should be handled were discussed. Our next cruise in September was briefly outlined and a fall tour to see the colours was tossed around.

After Darlene was finished her ice cream (how many was that, 3-4??) we were on our way back to Bracebridge and the end of an enjoyable day.

Special thanks goes out to Gord & Laurel Bauldry, our Tour Leaders for this event on an enjoyable afternoon.



We also want to thank to Dick Smyth who created a video of our trip and has posted it on Youtube.com (Click this link to view) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M9xN0Vab40I>

Your Editor,

*zoom-zoom*



### Gord & Laurel Bauldry



Gord and Laurel have always enjoyed the style of the little two seater sports car from Japan and were considering a purchase in late 2007 when they were presented with a Mahogany 2000 model by another Miata Club Member Russell Seiber who just happened to work for Subaru of Muskoka , the sister store to Mazda of Muskoka. A pending trip to Myrtle beach within two days caused the deal to fall through and that particular car was actually sold to another member Wendy Boulay.

This only served to increase the resolve of the Bauldrys to acquire a Miata and it was realized shortly thereafter with the purchase of their 2002 Silver Miata currently parked in their garage. The car was purchased in December of 2006 off of Kijiji (car was located in Woodbridge) and they were only able to clean and look at their baby until the following spring (can you imagine??).

Their car has the ground effects package and super low profile rubber mounted on aftermarket wheels. Their passion for the little beast didn't end there as they were instrumental in setting up the Beaumont Miata Club. The Beaumont Miata Club (the predecessor to Miatas of Muskoka) came into being during the summer of 2009. There were four Miatas involved and seven members: Gordon and Laurel Bauldry; Bill and Ruth Glassford; Don and Inez Barrick; and Nigel Ford. " We just wanted to get together and went on quite a few day trips such as Killarney, Little Hawk Lake, Dorset, Haliburton, Rousseau, and a few others" claims Laurel.

We can thank Gord & Laurel for soliciting names from Nigel and Russell to gather enough interest to start **Miatas of Muskoka** and pioneering our first few events.



## Lookin' Ahead - Upcoming Events

Our next event is a cruise through the Kawarthas via Fenelon Falls Bobcaygeon to take place on Sunday Sept. 19th. We will have lunch at the Falls View Restaurant in Fenelon Falls and of course stop for ice cream at Kawartha Dairy in Minden on our return trip home.

We also plan to have a "Show & Shine" on Sept 16th at the Independent Grocer parking lot just to get together and talk Miatas. Grab a coffee and meet us there at 6:30 p.m.

The Trillium Miata club of Toronto has a scheduled a Muskoka run on Oct 17th (tentative) if anyone is interested in joining this event in whole or in part contact Michael Topping at (705) 646-2818 or mastopping@bell.net

Currently we are planning to have a Fall Colours run I October, we'll communicate details when finalized. We are anxious in hearing from Members interested in volunteering for this and other potential events.

## Did You Know? - There is no such thing as a 1998 Miata.

The car we now know as the 1999 Miata (Second Generation or NB) was originally slated to be the '98 model, in fact, it was debuted at the 1998 Detroit Auto Show (January 1998). However due to delays in releasing the product, it was not available to the public at the beginning of 1998. Mazda marketing folks decided it would be best to call it a '99. So if you ever see a '98 Miata for sale, you might want to ask some questions.

## Helpful Hints

I recently had a very pleasurable experience at the local Apple Auto Glass shop where I took my Miata in to have a windshield chip repaired. The entire process took about 45 minutes and was handled expertly by John Blackall who is the Manager there. My insurance company gave me a hard time as there is a groundswell to reduce claims of this nature when possible. Typically the \$75 fee is covered by your insurance and you go about your merry way. In my case I was turned down but John who likes Miatas and expressed an interest in the club offered to absorb the fee "because I can".

I have no affiliation with John and had not met him prior to this exchange but it is obvious he's a businessman with his clients well being at heart. Apple will also replace your windshield with a brand new one if required (I thought they were no longer available for the early models!).

## Happy Trails

We all have those special routes we like to drive in Muskoka, we'd like to ask Members to share with us they favourite route and why. Please drop us a quick emails to [lbouldry@surenet.net](mailto:lbouldry@surenet.net)

## Spotlight On

Everyone who has a Miata knows it is special but the manufacturer from Japan has indeed made some Special Models over the years and this section will be used to highlight these models and the history behind them. We encourage your input for this section as we know there were many, many Special Models and we'll address one in each newsletter.

Next Issue: - the 1991 British Racing Green Limited/Special Edition.



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## Warning !!! Miata Mania

**Very Contagious**

**No Known Cure**

### Symptoms

Patient has blank expression, sometimes deaf to family. Continual complaint as to need to travel, fresh air, and sunshine . Mumbles to self while staring at car in garage. Makes any excuse to "go for a ride".

### Treatment

Medication is useless, however disease is not fatal. Victims should attend as many Miata meets as possible, discuss the cars at great length, take pictures, in general enjoy the satisfaction of driving the most popular sports car in the world.

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