



Delaware Valley Miata Club

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2010 EVENTS

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Del-Val Miata Club Event Details

NOTES: If underlined, clicking on the Event Name will take you to the Forum article and discussions about the event; clicking on the Sponsor's Name will begin an email to the sponsor/event organizer.

Restrictions: Many run leaders have opted to rate their runs to more accurately reflect the nature of the run. Please take note of the Skill Level, if indicated Sedate – enjoy the scenery and Challenging – focus on the road and pace. Review any restrictions for the event including the maximum cars/people for the event.

PAST EVENTS: [Jan 31 – Annual Meeting](#)

Date	Limitations	Event Description and Contact Information
SUN March 21	None	<p style="text-align: center;">Simeone Auto Museum Visit Ed Trahan</p> <p>Race Car Museum day... Join Ed Trahan for a visit to the world famous Simeone Auto Museum, located near the Philadelphia Airport. We will meet at 10:00 AM on Sunday, March 21st at the museum parking lot. This is a large collection of racing cars, both domestic and foreign. We will spend about 90 minutes there, and those who need to complete the Tour D'oink can follow me to the Chickey and Pete's sports restaurant for a social gathering of fine food and drink. Museum entrance fee is around \$12 per person, could be cheaper, if we get more than 14 visitors. All exhibits are inside, but the area can be cool, but never below 60 degrees. For directions, go to SimeoneFoundation.org for options.</p> <p>Please contact Ed Trahan, at eftrahan48@msn.com or call at 302-738-7629. This will be a rain or shine event, unless serious snowfall occurs.</p>
SUN April 11	None	<p style="text-align: center;">Dover Air Force Museum Dick and Leanne Stell</p> <p>Dick and Leanne bring back a favorite trip that was rained out in 2009. Watch this space for more details soon. Rain date is 4/18.</p>
SUN April 11	Moderate to Challenging	<p style="text-align: center;">FUNgus Run Damon and Michele Kane</p> <p>Join Damon and Michele for this new FUN run that starts in Berks County and then cuts across the Chester County ridges and delivers twisty roads and great scenery. The name is a tribute to one of the largest agricultural activities in Chester County...Mushroom Growing. Starting in Douglassville, the tour will head south through French Creek State Park and basically follow the creek heading south along the twisty roads that are defined by the creek. The tour will then head into and through Downingtown and continue south and scenically loop through the southern part of Chester County. Next a loop east and then north to end in the lovely town of Kennett Square. There we will dine at a one of the fine places in the town.</p> <p>So we can plan, please send a confirming email stating your interest in the FUNgus Run to drkane4@verizon.net or call 215-699-6201.</p>

SUN April 18	20Cars Sedate	<p align="center"><u>Somerset & Morris Mansions, Great Swamp and Raptor Trust</u> <u>Stu and Karen Slifkin</u></p> <p>Please join us as we partake of a drive through some of the wealthiest areas of New Jersey. We will meet at 9:30 AM at the Old Mill INN in Bernardsville, just off Interstate 287 six miles south of Morristown. We will drive off promptly at 10:00 AM.</p>
SUN April 25	24 Cars Moderate	<p align="center"><u>The Very 1st Re-Run of the Summer of 2010</u> <u>John Ketwig</u></p> <p>You are invited to enjoy "The Very 1st Re-Run of the Summer of 2010". Well, last October our 4th annual Colossus of Roads run took place on a rainy weekend, and the forecasters scared many cars away by predicting floods and torrents. "Re-Run" will be approximately 65 miles, and features lots of steep uphill and downhill, curves of every type and description, and lots of broad vistas, craggy rock formations, trickling streams, narrow bridges, and pleasant rural scenery. We will start near Belvidere, NJ with a short pit stop in Califon, NJ and the event will conclude in Washington, NJ. Colossus of Roads has enjoyed great turnouts in the past, so we are limiting this re-run to 24 cars. Please contact John and Carolyn Ketwig at johnny.kk@hotmail.com to reserve your place in line.</p>
SUN May 2	None	<p align="center"><u>20th Anniversary Annual Picnic</u> <u>Curt Springstead</u></p> <p>If you haven't heard by now, Del-Val is celebrating its 20th anniversary this year. As the premier event of 2010, the annual Picnic will be held in a new location – the Willow Grove Day Camp in Willow Grove, PA. The tradition has been to hold the picnic at Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve, but much to our dismay they are not renting the pavilion this year.</p> <p>After researching many venues, the 20A committee recommended Willow Grove Day Camp as a good alternative. There is plenty of indoor space if needed (remember last year's monsoon??) and the food is provided by the camp. We are anticipating a great turn-out this year including past officers. Awards will be presented to honorees as part of the festivities. We will also have a display of every model year Miata! Look for photos on display and possibly slide shows of club photos. If you have any photos to share – either digital or print – contact Curt Springstead at VP@delval.org.</p> <p>The food will be plentiful and will include grilled burgers and hot dogs, BBQ chicken, salads, hot side dishes, fruit, desserts and much more; you won't leave hungry!</p> <p>Stay tuned for more details and reservation information.</p>
SUN May 16	Moderate	<p align="center"><u>Beautiful Bucks County</u> <u>Joe Kemler</u></p> <p>Come join Judy and Joe Kemler for this springtime ride through some of the prettiest roads in Bucks County. We will drive along the Delaware River through New Hope, then back into the rolling hills where we will travel through four covered bridges while driving along roadside streams. We will pass Van Zandt airport where we may see a glider being towed into the sky. We will be driving over some amazing sports car roads, which I am convinced, were specifically designed by our forefathers in anticipation of the eventual development of the Miata.</p> <p>Bring along your favorite picnic fare. We will make a lunch break stop at one of the State parks that we will pass along the way. This is too glorious of a day to be sitting inside of a restaurant.</p>

		<p>We will meet at the Pennsylvania Welcome Center located on the southbound side of I95 between the Yardley/New Hope (at the Delaware River) and the Yardley/Newtown exit. Let's meet at 10am for a prompt 10:30 departure. This will be a moderate run and CB radios are always recommended. Please contact me at 267-306-7400 or you may email me at JPKemler@Verizon.net if you would like to participate.....or just show up if you decide to go at the last minute.</p>
SUN May 21-23	NA	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Carlisle Import & Kit Nationals</u> <u>Curt Springstead</u></p> <p>The Carlisle Import & Kit Nationals, a unique and exciting automotive festival on the 102-acre Carlisle PA Fairgrounds is one of the largest gatherings of classic, special interest and collector imported vehicles in the United States. The world's largest Kit-Replicar gathering can also be found there that same weekend, showcasing amazing hand assembled kit automobiles and reproduction vehicles, based on the rarest and most collectible models. The Delaware Valley Miata Club has been invited to participate in this very club-oriented event. Other clubs for Miatas and Mazdas as well as those for imports from all over the world from in and around the Mid-Atlantic region will be asked to participate as they have in the past.</p> <p>Due to the location, size of the facility and size of the event many clubs use the show for their regional and even national meets. Clubs that register 25 or more vehicles will be eligible for a FREE 20x20 tent to use for the weekend. The tents make for a great place to gather, hold club activities, advertise and promote your organization, sell club merchandise, have a cookout and more.</p> <p>In case you are not familiar with the event they average over 1,200 show cars (both imports and kits) and nearly 20,000 spectators each year. In addition to the Showfield they also offer a huge swap meet, seminars and various other activities. The show will be held on May 21-23, 2010 and you can get complete details as well as regular updates on the event web site at http://www.carlisleevents.com/ce/events/import/.</p> <p>We are looking for someone to act as a coordinator for this event. The date for the club to commit to participate is May 2, 2010. If you are interested contact our Events Coordinator, Curt Springstead, at vp@delval.org or 973.831.2452.</p>
Sat June 5	NA	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Flemington Mazda Tech Day</u> <u>Bob Green</u></p> <p>Flemington Mazda and the Del Val Miata Club invite you and your Miata to a "tech" day at 10:00 AM on Saturday, June 5. Tech days have been a regular feature of Club activities for many years. They give us an opportunity to get certain services at a discount and to have technicians familiar with Miatas perform inspections to identify problems before they become big deals. Sturdy as our babies are, they do need tending now and again. With new managers in place Flemington Mazda is again a club sponsor and enthusiastically resuming this tradition. Mazda parts are routinely discounted at 15% for club members.</p> <p>We have the option of a prescheduled, discounted oil change and inspection. Or if you don't need the oil change you can have your Miata (or other vehicle for that matter) inspected no charge depending on lift availability. If you need a particular service it can be prescheduled. To help Flemington plan adequate lift space, Denise Balsama will be collecting the price of the oil change (\$24.95 includes oil and filter) in advance.</p> <p>Chris Mariscotolo, Flemington's Service Manager has arranged for an independent</p>

		<p>paintless dent repairer and windshield chip fixer to be on hand. He's working on having an on site wheel repairer join the mix. He also has some surprises and giveaways in his tool kit.</p> <p>For those who are interested in the latest Mazda offerings, Sales Manager Gail Rubinstein, who joined us at the end of Curt Springstead's "I Smell Steam" tour, will make any vehicle in stock available for test driving. Gail's working on having Mazda USA regional reps join us for informational presentations. We'll have prominent "out front" parking under the Del Val banner to draw attention to the activity and the club.</p> <p>On Saturday, Chris fires up his trusty grill for burgers and dogs, and he has graciously invited us to join the staff for lunch. Altogether a nice way to check out the new folks at Flemington Mazda, get some maintenance done, save a few bucks and get hands on and up to speed with what's happening at Mazda.</p> <p>Contact Bob Green at reggreen@embarqmail.com or call 908 537-2594. Send your checks for the oil change to Denise Balsama, 317 Albert Road, Stroudsburg PA, 18360. Flemington Mazda is located on Rtes 202/31 North in Flemington, NJ.</p>
<p>FRI – SUN Jun 11- 13</p>	<p>Challenging 8 Cars</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Mountains, Dining and Driving V2.0</u> <u>Damon and Michele Kane</u></p> <p>This tour will feature spectacular driving in the Allegheny Mountains of Pennsylvania, Maryland and West Virginia, coupled with casual but fine dining. This long weekend trip will include scenic and challenging driving, comfortable lodging, great food, and an overnight stay at the historic Country Inn in Berkley Springs West Virginia, all in the company of a delightful group of Miata owners.</p> <p>Because the focus of this trip is scenic and challenging driving, we expect to include up to 6 hours per day of driving. All three days include driving. The driving will be broken into smaller segments to allow for rest stops and dining.</p> <p>We will leave from Berks County, Pennsylvania and head for French Creek State Park. After lunch in East Berlin we continue on country roads through the apple orchards of Adams County. We continue west and climb into the Allegheny Mountains for some twisty roads made for the Miata. The road will end for the day in Bedford. We will dine that evening at the historic Jean Bonnet Tavern, also featuring a fine menu.</p> <p>Saturday morning we will return to the mountain roads continuing west. We will enjoy the best roads the mountains can offer and continue south into far western Maryland. After lunch we will then continue through the mountains of Garrett County and into West Virginia to historic Berkley Springs.</p> <p>Sunday we will make our way out of the mountains through Maryland and back into Pennsylvania for lunch at the Appalachian Brewing Company in Gettysburg. Our route will continue east where we conclude the tour in Morgantown PA.</p> <p>Communication on the road will be by FSR radios. If you are interested, contact us at drkane4@verizon.net or by telephone at 215-699-6201. Note: Because of the limited spots available we will be limiting participation to Del Val members only.</p>

<p>Sun Jul 11</p>	<p>Moderate</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Hunterdon County Wishing Well</u> <u>Bob Green</u></p> <p>Bob and Roann Green are pleased to invite you to join them on July 11 for another tour of scenic Hunterdon County. At 10:30 AM we'll push off for Lebanon Borough, skirt scenic Round Valley Reservoir, and explore the hilly and twisting back roads of Clinton, Raritan, Franklin and Union Townships.</p> <p>After a short break we'll head down to Stockton by way of Pittstown, Baptistown and Seargentsville. The roads here are less hilly, but have enough curves and whoopdedoos to keep Miata drivers focused. A moderately priced lunch will be available in the covered bar. Adult beverages available too.</p> <p>The pace will be mostly moderate to brisk, so passengers can enjoy the 60 plus miles of scenery. Drivers watch the road! Bring your CB if you have one.</p> <p>Contact Bob at reggreen@embarqmail.com or by phone at 908 537-2594 so he can make reservations for lunch.</p>
<p>MON & TUE Jul 19 & 20</p>	<p>TBD</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Pocono Track Event</u> <u>Jeff Jury</u></p> <p>While it is still cold and snowy keeps your spirits high planning for our annual track event at Pocono. Continue to develop your skills at performance driving or get introduced to track driving at this unique event. Watch this space for details.</p>
<p>SUN Aug 1</p>	<p>None</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Denise's Run</u> <u>Denise Balsama</u></p> <p>Once more Denise is teasing us with the prospect of a mystery run. Last year's was terrific, make a note to keep this week end clear.</p>
<p>SUN Aug 22</p>	<p>10 Cars Moderate</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Who's up for wine?</u> <u>Joe Kemler</u></p> <p>Judy and I want to invite you to join us on a run to one of our favorite Bucks County wineries. From there we will cross the Delaware River into Mercer County where we will stop at two of our favorite New Jersey wineries. We will stay on back roads which you will find fun to drive. There will be a covered bridge thrown in for good measure.</p> <p>This run is about 2 hours driving time. We will spend about 20 to 25 minutes at each of the wineries. The entire trip will take about 3 to 3½ hours. We are starting later in the day than most DelVal runs only because the wineries don't open until 12 o'clock. We will end our trek back at our starting point between 3:00 and 3:30. .</p> <p>We will meet in the Yardley/New Hope Please contact me at 267-306-7400 or you may email me at JKemler@Verizon.net if you would like to participate.</p>
<p>SUN Sept 12</p>	<p>TBD</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>The Staffieri Famous Covered Bridge Tour</u> <u>Gary Dillio</u></p> <p>Our membership Chairman Gary Dillio will recreate one of the Del Val Historic tours with this</p>

		covered bridge tour. Keep an eye on this space for details as the date draws near.
SUN Oct 17	24 Cars Moderate	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>5th Annual Colossus of Roads</u> <u>John Ketwig</u></p> <p>A new version of this annual classic will focus on the Hunterdon County NJ area. Watch for details later this year or contact John andCarolynn Ketwig at johnny.kk@hotmail.com if you can't wait.</p>
SUN Nov 21	none	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Hatboro Holiday Parade</u> <u>Bill Anderson</u></p> <p>Join us on Sunday November 21st for the 50th Annual "Hatboro Holiday Parade", where we decorate our Miata's and help bring Santa to town. It's a fun afternoon, and our cars get lots of attention. The parade is broadcast live on the local radio station & on the local Comcast stations, as well as filmed by the local Boy Scout Troop every year. Afterwards we usually go to an area restaurant for dinner and conversation. This is an all weather event, the parade rolls regardless. More details will be posted as the date approaches. If you'd like to sign up now or have any questions, please contact:</p> <p>Bill Anderson Home 215-659-4302 E-Mail wdaj@verizon.net</p>