

THE VILLAGES MIATA MX-5 CLUB
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, April 9, 2024
Hibiscus Rec. Center

The meeting was called to order at 2:01 pm by President Mike Remsha. Members present included Mike Remsha, Floyd Barwig, Sarah Jordan, Terry Merow, George Stenz, George Nagle, Jim Dean, John Dressler and Sue Barwig.

President's Comments

We have a Holiday Party Team: Sarah, Sue and Kay Wangen & Claudia Janik. Sarah has already purchased items at a sale that will be used on the tables. The Daily Sun Press reporter still has not contacted Mike about our press release. He plans to resend it and also start sending photos from every trip. We need to pay more attention to new members at membership meetings. We need to watch for temporary name tags and greet the new members and guests. Sarah does send out a greeting letter to all new members. We also need new trip leaders and trips to places other than restaurants. Our new password for the website will be "zoom2024."

Treasurer's Report

Sarah reported that we have \$3,154.53 in our treasury, a membership of 146 people and \$205 from the meeting 50/50s.

Secretary's Report

Terry reviewed the March minutes with the Board; no changes were made.

NEW BUSINESS

Web Site

Jim discussed the problems with our current website software and why it needed to be replaced with something earlier to work with. Our current Host is streamdomains and will be replaced with Hostinger. The Board voted to approve the change. Jim will be rewriting/designing the website using current software and "fixing/updating" the obsolete areas. Old photos will be deleted and only 2024 photos will be shown on the new and improved website. The emergency contact names will be shown next to the member names and the member names will be sorted in alphabetical order. The emergency contact data will primarily be used to help the police or EMT's. Jim will also update the Trip Leader/Participant guidelines. The use of Walkie Talkie or CB radios will be discontinued and replaced with Cell Phones.

Dinners after the Monthly Meeting

Sue suggested that we have dinner after the April meeting at McCrackens Pub, 719 W Main St., Leesburg, FL 34748; 352.460.0659.

Future Trips and Trip Leaders

John provided a list of future trips.

April 10 – Lunch Trip to Lake Eustis Waterfront Grill in Eustis by John Dressler

April 25 – Lunch Trip to Copacabana Cuban Cafe in Mt. Dora by Chez Scimeca

May 1 – Abshier Farms Blueberry Picking Trip in Belleview by Mike Remsha

May 8 – Lunch Trip to Mason jar Restaurant in Eustis by John Dressler

June 6 – Lunch trip to Ski Beach Bar & Grill in Leesburg by John Dressler

August 1-4 -- Miatas at the Gap in North Carolina by Ed Thuresson

April 22 - Monthly Meeting and Dinner: Attendance xx, Dinner xx

The May 27 membership meeting is on Memorial Day. We will have a Pot Luck meeting where members will bring either an appetizer or entree to share. The Club will provide a dessert.

December 12, 2024 TVMMX5 Holiday Party at Lake Miona Defender/Intrepid Room

Set Up at 3:30 pm, Party from 5 pm to 8:20 pm

Event Team: Sarah, Sue and Kay Wangen & Claudia Janik

Food Vendor and Entertainment:

Mary Jo Vitale -- \$500 or \$7/person

Mission BBQ -- \$2,478.73 for 75 members or \$33/person

At present, the Board plans to charge \$35 per person.

OLD BUSINESS: Trips to Date

1. January 30 – Lunch Trip to Puddle Jumpers in Tavares – 28 members John Dressler
2. February 16 - Marker 48/Coney Island Drive In in Brooksville – 19 members Mike Remsha
3. February 29 – Lunch Trip to Elevation89 in Ocala – 23 members John Dressler
4. March 13 – Lunch Trip to Winghouse in Westley Chapel – 15 members Steve Wangen
5. March 24 – Trip to Kanapaha Botanical Gardens in Gainesville – 8 members Chez Scimeca
6. March 29 – Lunch Trip to O’Keefe’s in Tavares – 19 members John Dressler

Next Board Meeting

1. Hibiscus Rec. Center next to Cane Garden

1. **SECOND Tuesday of the Month**
2. **May 14, 2024; 2 pm**

The Board Meeting ended at 3:19 pm.

