

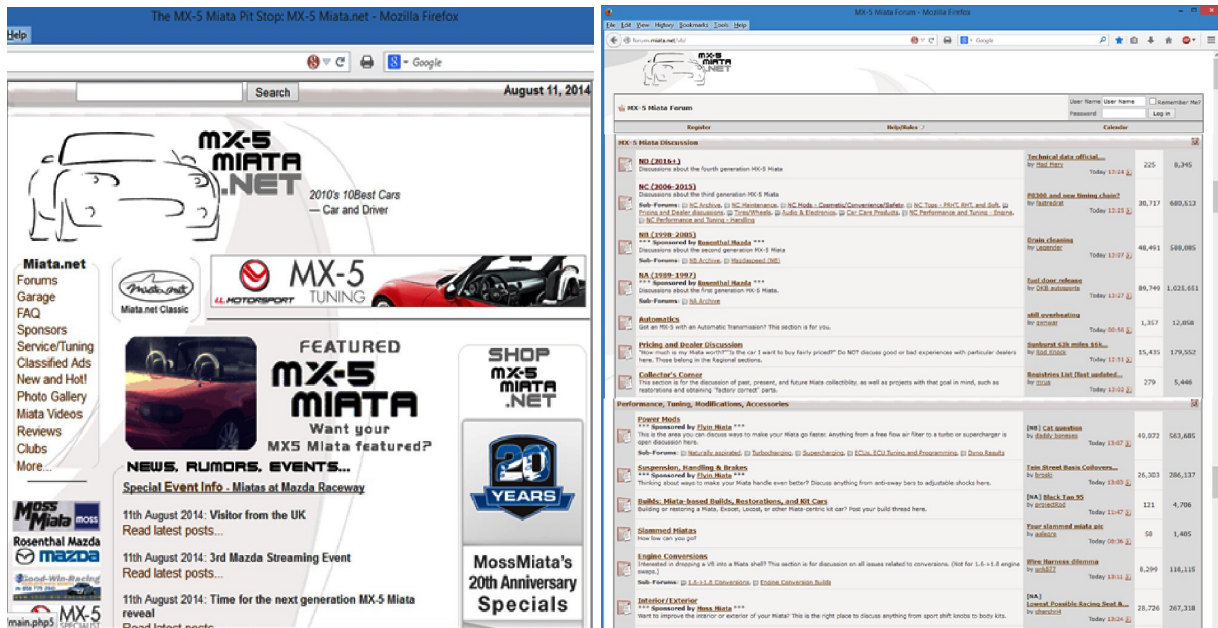
# Miata.Net

## A Great Forum and Source of Miata Information

I enjoy participating in a web page dedicated to the Mazda, MX-5 Miata, and I fear a lot of you have never heard of it. So this month I thought I would feature this web page so everyone will have access to the information I have been reading, and to also enjoy the fun of posting on the forum. I go by “mx5mia” on the forum, as my first Miata was nick-named “Mia”.

Here is a link to the home page: <http://www.miata.net/> If you go there now you will see pictures of the new 2016 Miata, and to the left an odometer of a older Miata with over 900,000 miles on it. See screen shot picture below LEFT for a sample of the home page.

The picture below RIGHT is a screenshot of the forum. This is where there are countless articles posted about everything you would want to ask, tell, or learn about a Miata. The address for the forum is: <http://forum.miata.net/vb/>. Or you can also get there from the home page.




If you look at the list on the left of the Home Page screenshot, you will see a listing of sections you can go to. The first one is the forum as I showed to you above right. The second one is the “Garage”. This is a section dedicated to maintenance of the 1998 to 2005 Miatas (NA and NB). The NC (2006 to 2015) Garage info is listed in the forum itself under the “NC 2006 to 2015” section.

As you view the forum, you will see sections focused on different years and or activities the Miata is enjoyed in. At the top of the forum are sections for announcements, and below that for MX-5/Miata discussions. Here you will see sections for the new ND, which is the 2016 model year and newer, next is the NC (2006-2015), and below that is a section for the NB (1999 to 2005) and then the NA (1989 to 1997). The discussions in each section are focused only on the respective model years.

Below the discussions of the cars themselves is a section dedicated to performance, modifications and accessories. This ranges from how to get more power from your motor, what suspension changes make it handle better, how to put a “LS” series V-8 in your Miata, and a section focused just on the different tops the Miatas have come with.

Then below the Performance Section is a section focused on buying, selling and even giving away Miata parts no longer needed. Below that is a section divided into different parts of the country where you can ask for help from people in your area, ask for their favorite garage, and see what Miata related activities are posted for your area. We are in the “Mid Atlantic” section.

Separate from the forum is a section dedicated to maintenance and “how to do” just about anything to the NA and NB series of Miatas. Below is a clip of some of the NA & NB Garage Section. There are about 15 actual “departments” in the Garage listed for the referred to topic:

		<b>Miata.net Garage</b> <a href="#">Home</a>   <a href="#">Disclaimer</a>   <a href="#">Search</a>   <a href="#">About</a>   <a href="#">Feedback</a>
Please <a href="#">notify us</a> of errors, updates, additions, comments, dead links, etc.		
New Updates:	Garage Section	Contents
	<a href="#">NC</a>	Most NC info is kept in the forum archive
06/21/14	<a href="#">Maintenance</a> Keep your Miata up and running	Oil Changes, Cooling System, Timing Belts, Service Bulletins
07/22/14	<a href="#">Engine and Drivetrain</a> Under the hood and under the car	Plugs and Wires, Clutch, Differential, Cooling System, Exhaust
04/30/12	<a href="#">Power</a> Making your car go faster	Forced Induction, Dyno Days
07/22/14	<a href="#">Handling</a> Deal with what the Miata is all about	Shocks, Springs, Brakes, Alignment
06/30/13	<a href="#">Tires and Wheels</a> Where the rubber meets the road	Tires, Wheel Weights
05/08/14	<a href="#">Interior</a> Modifications and Accessories	Steering Wheels, Lighting, Accessories, Wind Blockers
11/05/13	<a href="#">Exterior</a> Issues for the outside of your Miata	Shakes, rattles, and Roll Bars, stripes and spares
01/19/14	<a href="#">Lighting</a> Ya gotta see	Headlights, Markers, Interior lights, Mods
06/03/03	<a href="#">Car Care</a> Keep it looking good	Cleaning, Waxes and Polymers, Detailing, Dings and Dents
06/30/13	<a href="#">Tops, Windows, Tonneaus, Boots</a> Weather rain nor snow allowed...	Hard Tops, Soft Tops, Windows

There is also an advertiser section where you can go to find all kinds of OEM and aftermarket parts for your Miata. This is where I learned about the mufflers and other parts I upgraded on my Miata. Link: <http://www.miata.net/marketplace.html>

It is easy to sign up in the forum and create a screen name for yourself. The forum only asks for some basic info just to help you create your screen name and log in password.

You may use and enjoy the forum all you like at no cost to you, but you will notice that there are Pop-up Ads, and words underlined with Colored Links. These are linked to the Forum sponsors. These sponsors help pay the cost of running the web page. You can eliminate these linked Ads and pop-ups by becoming a “Supporting Member” as I have. For only \$22.95 a year, you will not have to view these Ads, and you will also get a couple of small Miata.net window stickers. Also as a Supporting Member, you can post an Avatar (small picture) of you or your car under your screen name when you post. So sign up as a supporting member and help keep this great, fun resource up and running. Help celebrate the forum’s 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary too!

Here is a link to where you can sign up: <http://forum.miata.net/vb/payments.php>

So check it out, and if you see me on there, say hi!



Zoom-Zoom, Bill Latsha