

MAY-JUNE 1990 Mini Owners of America - Los Angeles

PAST HAPPENINGS

To start with - our March run to Idylwild was a successful and enjoyable day. Weather was great (not too hot - not too cold) and we proceeded to Idylwild with just a few minor glitches...

After the usual Jackrabbit Trail run Willy Hugron developed a rather weird leak in his oil gauge. It was leaking through the face of the gauge into the drivers compartment. Luckily Willy had on hand a supply of paper towels to help soak up the oil until he could stop and crimp the feed line to the gauge.

This did not stop the flow completely - but his paper towel supply held up. Two miles later Willy discovered that when his fuel gauge indicates a half tank of gas - it really had no gas at all.

We managed to scrounge up a container and used the good old Mini electric fuel pump on one of the cars to get him to the next station.

The rest of the run was uneventful and a good time was had by all.

APRIL EVENT FALLBROOK RUN

The Fallbrook run was cursed with rain. One of the few runs I can remember that had

that problem. And - the run was a real bummer! So - you thought that if we had a bad run I wouldn't tell you about it eh? This one was a bad one because of one heart-wrenching incident.

About three miles from the end of the run Eric Linquist ran right into the side of a mountain. You surely remember Eric's pristine little white Mini van. Well - it will need a lot more than slight cosmetic work to get it back on the road. Luckily Eric and his girlfriend and a friend were not seriously injured in the mishap.

Eric said it best himself afterward - "I shouldn't have been going that fast!" The van's undercarriage was almost completely ripped off and the left front fender was pushed back radically. The body was also kinked at the floor pan just behind the firewall and I'm sure the firewall sustained some damage.

There was so much stress on impact that the windshield was shattered from the strain - no one hit the windshield.

We were all glad to see that no one was injured badly - they were lucky. But to see that beautiful little van being hauled onto a flat-bed tow-truck put a damper on the day for me - and I am sure for everyone else on the run. The rain certainly contributed to the accident and the roads were very slick from the oil coming up out of the asphalt. I know we all hope that Eric can get the van back together again. If you need any help Eric give us a call.

BACK OF MY HED

Like a dream from Freddy Kreuger, I keep replaying the nightmare in my head. No, not being re-elected President again! The scene - DeLuz road in the wet. The date - Sunday, April 29th. While leading the seven car sojourn to Fallbrook, I entered a sweeping, off-camber right turn. Eric Lindquist, driving the much talked-about white van, passes me on the outside of the turn. His momentum on the wet asphalt sent him and his two friends off the road into an embankment. When Eric's Mini hit the dirt, I reacted by stepping hard on the brakes. A complete 360 degree turn precipitated my stop. "Merely a planned maneuver," I told the Lady riding shotgun. "Right," she said. Anyway, Eric's beautiful van has a severely damaged front clip. Fortunately, no one was hurt. Remember guys and gals, even Minis can lose traction, especially in the rain. Does anyone know of a van body for sale?

In a hopefully lighter vein, Sunday, May 20th, will be our next death-defying act. This time the destination will be Flo's Cafe at the Chino Airport. Prior to our usual epicurean delight we will partake of a few twisty bits of Orange County. Don't miss it!!!

Our monthly activities will be winding down as we approach Mini Meet. We'll have the Braille Rallye on Saturday, June 23rd, and probably a Pool Party in July. After that, no more events until Mini Meet West.

The next Mini Meet West meeting will be on Wednesday, June 6th at Bob Amaral's. We will literally be calling on our inactive members soon in order to volunteer them for assistance in Meet events like the car rallye, concours, autocross, and funkhana. Be ready to sign up when your phone rings.

Speaking of signing up, our Mini Meet West registration form will be in the mail to you very soon. Even though you are a member of MOA-LA, you must register and PAY if you want to use your Mini and eat at the best Mini Meet ever!! Your registration funds make the Meet possible. Even with your generous assistance, we must borrow money in order to bring the Mini Meet to you.

Incorporation - please don't speak that word out loud. We are still in the process of meeting the State's verbose requirements for a non-profit corporation. If we succeed, your

donations will be tax deductible! Stay tuned for further developments.

Be seeing you - Like at our next meeting (May 16th)

Bruce C.J. Brewer, President, MOA-LA

NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Over the last several months we have gained seven new members. Please be sure to extend the hand (and ratchet) of fellowship to these Miniphiles when you see them at a meeting or event.

Ed Baker of Upland has a '67 Austin saloon (damaged in an accident), and recently purchased another car in an effort to make one of two.

Joe Mendez of Los Angeles has a '68 Cooper, Mk II.

Phillip Dawson of Westminster lists 3 Minis, '67 Saloon, '78 Estate, and '59 Saloon.

huck Peters of Van Nuys has a '66 Morris Cooper 'S'.

Philip Cooke of Simi Valley has a '65 Mini Cooper.

We have picked up 22 new members since last September. Of the 22, only 4 failed to sign up for the 1990 year. Those four are Ray Flores, Chuck Amaral, William Gleason, and David Franklin. There are presently 41 active members of the MOA-LA.

A hearty thank you to the new and oldtime members for sticking with us. Your dues are appreciated!!!

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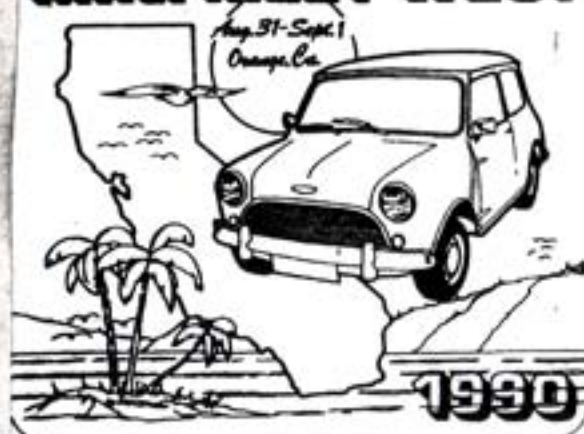
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MINI MEET WEST



Are you currently the proud owner of an Austin Mini or any of the variants thereof? The MOALA (Mini Owners of America Los Angeles, Inc.) needs you! Please plan to attend Mini Meet West for a weekend of Miniphile activities in sunny southern California.

The word is out! The Doubletree Hotel is the place to be on August 31. Gather with other Miniphiles to check out what's happening in the world of Austins.

In addition to the events listed, we will also have a Model Contest, Photography Contest, Prizes, Trophies, and Plaques—not to mention endless mini conversation and good food. Also available will be discount tickets to local attractions, including Disneyland and Universal Studios!

So pack up your old kit bag and plan to meet us in Orange, California for Mini Meet West 1990. Don't miss out! Be there, or, well you know!



MOALA

Mini Owners of America Los Angeles, Inc.

Proudly Presents
Mini Meet West 1990
Aug. 30-Sept. 1
Doubletree Hotel,
Orange, California

Tentative Schedule:

Thursday Evening, August 30

Registration
Welcoming Party

Friday, August 31

9am to Noon Rally
2pm Panoramic Picture
4pm Concourse

Saturday, September 1

9am to 4pm Funkhana
Autocross
(run concurrently)
7pm to 10pm Banquet
Awards Ceremony
Slide Show

For furthering information or to request a registration form write: MOALA c/o Bob Amaral-

Or call Bruce Brewer:

home; or We will be mailing registration forms soon through these same channels—so, if you received this flyer, you will receive the registration form as well.



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PROUDLY PRESENTS:



TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

FRIDAY JUNE 29
 REGISTRATION
 WELCOMING PARTY

SATURDAY JUNE 30
 REGISTRATION
 RALLYE/TOUR
 PICNIC
 PANORAMIC PHOTO
 FUNKHANA
 PARTY

SUNDAY JULY 1
 CONCOURS
 SWAP MEET
 AUTOCROSS
 AWARDS BANQUET

JUNE 29 - JULY 1, 1990

IF YOU CURRENTLY OWN OR HAVE EVER WANTED TO OWN A MINI OR ANY MINI-BASED VARIANT, THEN PLAN ON ATTENDING MINI MEET EAST XVI IN THE CHICAGO AREA JUNE 29 THROUGH JULY 1. THIS WILL BE THE FIRST TIME THIS POPULAR EVENT HAS BEEN HELD IN THE MIDWEST AND A BIG TURNOUT IS EXPECTED FROM ALL ACROSS THE UNITED STATES & CANADA INCLUDING A LARGE NUMBER OF MINIS FROM THE MIDWEST WHICH HAVE NEVER BEFORE ATTENDED A MINI MEET!

THE HYATT-REGENCY WOODFIELD IN SCHAUMBURG, ILLINOIS HAS BEEN SELECTED AS THE HEADQUARTERS FOR THE EVENT. IT IS LOCATED A MERE 15 MINUTES FROM O'HARE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND M.I.N.I. HAS NEGOTIATED A VERY FAVORABLE \$50.00 PER NIGHT ROOM RATE FOR MINI MEET EAST ATTENDEES. FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND YOUR STAY, THIS RATE WILL BE IN EFFECT FOR 3 DAYS BEFORE AND 3 DAYS AFTER THE EVENT. RESERVATIONS CAN BE MADE BY PHONING _____ OR _____

THE FOLLOWING TOURIST BUREAUS WILL BE HAPPY TO PROVIDE AREA INFORMATION ON REQUEST:

GREATER WOODFIELD VISITORS BUREAU.....1	OR
CHICAGO VISITORS BUREAU.....1	
ILLINOIS TOURIST BUREAU.....1	OR

IN ADDITION TO THE EVENTS LISTED ABOVE, THERE WILL BE AN ARTWORK/PHOTO CONTEST, A MODEL CONTEST, A KID'S MINI COLORING CONTEST, AND PLENTY OF MINIS TO SEE AND FINE PEOPLE TO MEET. REGISTRATION AND REGALIA ORDER FORMS CAN BE OBTAINED BY WRITING TO:

M.I.N.I.
 c/o JEFF CHAMBERLIN
 116 S. BURTON
 ARLINGTON HTS., IL 60005
 USA

PHONE: (8:00pm-9:00pm CST)

EVENTS

Future planned events - on May 20th we will be running to Chino Airport and the fabulous (I've heard) Flo's Cafe via all the crooked roads in Orange County. Dean Deeds is mapping this one out for us and it should be a real neat event. If you show up you will be treated (possibly) to a gander at Deans 1380cc engine in action. It sounds like a good run - make it better - SHOW UP!!

The official June event will once again be the Braille Rally. We are going to keep making this the June event every year until we get more than two cars to show up from our membership. Everyone who has participated in this rally comes back with glowing reports on how much they enjoyed it.

This year promises to be special with a surprise ending.

The organizers of this event need to know well in advance how many drivers they can expect to be there on June 23 (a Saturday). If you can make this run please contact Mark Smith () for further info - or to be put on the showup list.

The run starts at the Braille Institute and this year will end at a surprise location for a

banquet and awards ceremony. All the proceeds from this event go to the kids at the Braille Institute. Make it a success - show them we can turn out some cars for a great cause. PLEASE!

MORE NEWS

With all the Mini Meet information and announcements in this edition I do not know if we will have much room for anything else.

The date for Mini-Meet is rushing toward us at an alarming pace! Bruce is feverishly working on incorporation, hopefully to be accomplished before the Meet. Many others are working just as feverishly at their own appointed tasks - and things are coming together (albeit a little slowly) but we will charge on toward a successful meet. The interest is building and I am hearing from members (and non-members alike) that it is an event that all are looking forward to.

We are trying to spread the word with flyers - but if you (THIS MEANS YOU) know anyone who might share or interest in the Mini or its variants PLEASE LET THEM KNOW ABOUT THE MEET!! . . . or contact me - my phone number seems to be everywhere lately (714)

-and I will add them to our mailing list. THINK ABOUT IT!! YOU MUST KNOW SOMEONE YOU CAN TELL ABOUT IT -- SPREAD THE WORD!!!

COME GET 'EM! JACKETS HATS

Yes - here they are folks - the Official Mini Owners of America/Los Angeles jackets and hats. They are available in any color you want (as long as it is Grey) and are available in all "normal" sizes - S-M-L-XL - The lettering on the back is done in black. The patch on the front is in three colors (red - white - blue) and you can have your own name embroidered on the left side (over the pocket). These jackets are available through your club officers. You need only send a check made payable to MOALA to Bob Amaral or Bruce Brewer and let them know you want a jacket or hat and they will be happy to help you out.

MOALA JACKET\$65.00
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WANTED: Pair of "Aussie Doors" Contact
Kirk, Days (818) 503-1836 Eves ()

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Ask for Leonard.
(Picture of abv submitted - no room but car
looks real good).

WANTED: Mini in excellent condition. Call
Tom Carson (907) 789-0034 (Alaska)

1966 Morris Mini Traveller (Woody Wagon).
25,000 mi. Full Stock. Call Michael Lewis
(Home) ()

- Calendar of Events -

**REGULAR MEETING - May 16, 1990 -- 7:30
p.m. at Fullerton Svgs & Loan Garden Grove.**

**MINI MEET WEST MEETING - June 6, 1990
-- 8:00 p.m. at Bob Amaral's abode ()**

**CHINO AIRPORT RUN - May 20, 1990 -- 9:00
a.m. Southeast corner of Brea Mall Parking lot
on the corner of Imperial Hwy. and State Col-
lege.**

**BRAILLE RALLY - June 23, 1990 -- 8:00 a.m.
Meets at Braille Institute off Hollywood Free-
way. Call Mark Smith, (714) 969-0494 for more
info and to be put on drivers list.**

**Club meetings are held on the
Third Wednesday of each month
at Fullerton S & L in Garden Grove
12860 Euclid (at Acacia, next to
the Black Angus Restaurant) 7:30 p.m.**

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