Bu Michael Scott



Boot & Bonnet

LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT.

The first Motor-In for the year will be held on Saturday, February 3rd. We are returning to Gramma's Pizza in Batavia. That has been a popular place in the past. Hopefully we will have better weather than what we had for the planning meeting. Please sign up on the web site as we need to have an idea of how many seats we will need at the restaurant.

For the planning meeting we were fortunate the snow was lighter than expected and hit the night before. By late afternoon road crews had a chance to clear most roads. We had approximately 23 attend the planning meeting. A very good discussion of events for the year. I want to thank Cincinnati MINI for hosting the event. Hector has placed many on the QCC calendar and reserved the first Saturday of each month for the Motor-In.

Winter is still upon us making drives this time of year a bit of a challenge. Before you know it we will be into March where we can see the light at the end of the tunnel. Did you notice the days are getting longer? That is the best part of winter.... when it is over. I think you can tell I am not a

cold weather person.

Check the website calendar for drives and check back often as other will be added as they present themselves. It will be time for a drive before you know it. If you have an ideas for a drive or activity we can always discuss them at the Motor-In.

Hope to see everyone at the Motor-In on February 3rd.

Mike S



Join us for our February event

2/3: Monthly Meeting at Gramma Pizza





2017 Membership Roster

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Welcome New Members

Marievee Santana & Michael Riley



Kyle Nickels

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Let's wish Happy Birthday to our February members:

Donna Chupka	4
Ed Fenker	6
Nancy Ice	6
Phil Freel	7
Lan Ackley	8
Jean Pabst	8
Jeff Roberts	10
Barbara Bush	11
Robert Bax	16
Sandy Ballinger	24
Jean Durkin	24
Chris Linder	28





If you haven't heard the news yet, Cincinnati MINI has increased QCC's MINI Parts and Accessories discount to 15% and 10% on Labor!!!

QCC Merchandise

Did you know that you do not have to wait for an event or meeting to order QCC merchandise? Anything in the catalog can be embroidered with the QCC logo – the possibilities are endless!

You can then send

Teddy Finesman an email via the QCC website to request the discounted price and place your order. Of course you can always view the catalog in person at a meeting. There are also car rally signs, QCC decals and jewelry available.

For questions or to place a merchandise order please contact:

Ron Gregory





Treasurer's Report:

QCC has \$1,888 in our checking account and are now ready to accept credit cards for Membership Dues and Cooper Accessories at Meetings and Club events..

Cincinnati MINI has increased QCC's MINI Parts and Accessories discount to 10% off labor and 15% off parts and accessories!!

Ed Fenker

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2018 QCC OFFICERS!!!

Please join the membership of Queen City Coopers in congratulating our new and returning officers:

Mike Suhar- President
Nancy Cusick- Membership Director
Hector Maldonado- Events Coordinator
Ed Fenker- Treasurer
Teddy Finesman- QCC Swag Coordinator

Once again, congratulations, and thank you all for your dedication and service to QCC!!!



THE SCHEDULE IS SET FOR THE 2018 M&M DRIVE!!!

Start planning now to join your friends from Queen City Coopers and the Greater Cincinnati Miata Club May 25th to May 28th for the 2018 M&M Vacation Drive! This year's drive will wander through scenic northern West Virginia and western Pennsylvania. The four-day trek begins with a drive to Wheeling, WV to explore the old downtown and the Oglebay Museums. Leg #2 heads out to southwestern Pennsylvania for a visit to Frank Lloyd Wright's historic Kentucky Knob. The third and final stop on this journey will be Saxonburg, PA to learn more about the designer of Cincinnati's Suspension Bridge, John Roebling. Of course, all destinations will be connected by some amazing twisties! The drive is limited to only 15 cars, so contact Bobbi Ross(bobbi.ross@fuse.net) to reserve your spot on the Master List! Stay tuned for further details on hotels and departure time/location!



Monthly Motor In

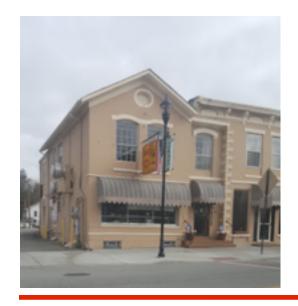
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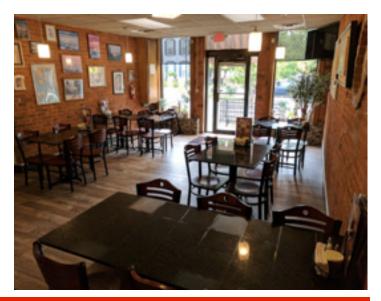




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TIPS FOR PLANNING A DRIVE EVENT

Planning a drive can be more fun than doing the drive itself. If you haven't sponsored a drive, you are missing a good part of the pleasure of owning a sports car and being in a car club. The five basic elements to organizing a drive are as follows: 1. **Determine a destination:** It can be a place like a museum, a park, a restaurant, a tour of covered bridges, a quaint town or an activity event like the Winchester Speedway, etc. Generally speaking, the primary objective is a fun or scenic drive to get there. (Over night events can be the exception). There does not have to be a destination. It could be a tuning around point. Naturally, outside events like parks, picnics or exploring a quaint town should be done in warm weather, whereas inside events like museums, restaurants could be done when it is cold.

2. Plan a route: Get a detailed map of the area, showing all the back roads (real estate offices or county engineering offices often will give them to you). Then get in your car and experience some of the roads that will ultimately lead to your destination. Write down times and details. An ideal driving time to a destination is one & one half to three hours. You do not have to go far in distance, "as the crow flies", as long as there are interesting roads on which to go back and forth. Try to find a potty stop some where mid-way, like a McDonald's, where there is parking for the convoy. Design your route to avoid congestion where the convoy will get strung out and split up with traffic lights, etc. by routing around them whenever possible. If the convoy is large, more than ten cars (that's all that can normally make it through a light), it may be well to assign a second leader and break up into two groups.

- 3. **Determine a Departure Time and Place:** The driving time to the destination will determine the departure time. Allow a window of approximately one half-hour for everyone to assemble. The departure place should have adequate parking, a restroom available, and hopefully coffee & breakfast sandwiches.
- destination or a stop on the way to your destination. **Get a prior commitment** from the members to determine how many will be going. Check out a place which can handle the group at the time you schedule to arrive. Is there adequate parking? Moderate pricing and a varied menu are desirable. It is best to have made prior arrangements with the restaurant management unless it is fast food like Burger King, etc. If it's a picnic in the park, make sure everyone knows to pack a lunch.
- 5. **Plan a return route:** Try to find an interesting return route, although sometimes reversing & coming back and retracing is as much fun as going. If time is short, the return route could be more direct. An option is to break and let everyone choose their own way home.

Remember that the whole point is to get out, drive your car, go somewhere different, and socialize with good people. No one will crucify you if your drive is less than perfect. We will all appreciate the effort. Get going, get busy, do some planning and create a fun time for everyone.





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MEMBERSHIP PRIVILEGES:

- Club Name Tags
- Full Access, Online Event Registration, & Access to the Links within the Queen City Coopers Website www.queencitycoopers.com
- Voting Rights on all Club Decisions that the Club Officers Deem Necessary for a Vote
- No Participation Fee for any QCC Sponsored Events
- 15% OFF CINCINNATI MINI SERVICE & PARTS

MEMBERSHIP QUALIFICATION

- Own / Lease a MINI
- Valid Driver's License
- Proof of Insurance (Primary Driver)

MEMBERSHIP TERM / DUES:

- January 1st thru December 31st
- \$30.00 Annual Fee Renewals Due by December 31st
- Make Checks Payable to: "Queen City Coopers"

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- Nancy Cusick
- 5227 Mississippi Dr.
- Fairfield, OH 45014-2411

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Membership Form

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