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A Monthly Publication for the Members & Friends of the First Coast Miata Club

A COUNTRY DRIVE

When: Saturday, February 21, 2026

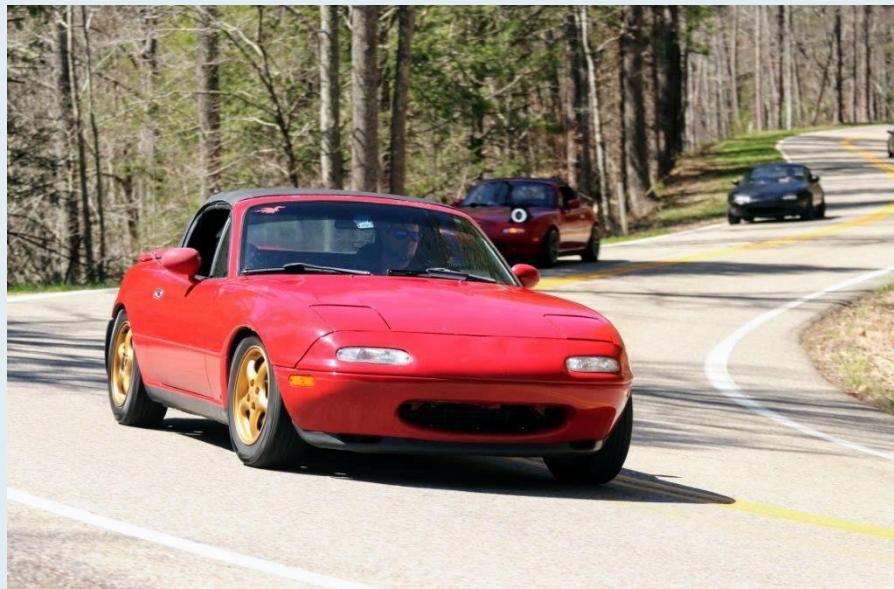
Starts at: Journey Food Store, 9206 CR 125, Glen St Mary, FL 32040

Meet at 8:30AM, depart at 9:00AM

Are you ready for some fun back country roads that will make your Miata sing? Can you handle a two and a half hour drive that will definitely wet your whistle?

Then join us for a spirited drive where we will “take the long way home” to Lake City to feast at the Ole Times Country Buffet.

Hope you can come join us, ya hear!



Roar Before the 24 Drive — 01/17/26





ROAD RUNNER



2026 Mazda RX-9 Is Finally Real And It Changes Everything! 😍 ❤️ ❤️



Thanks to Hank McLeod



FCMC Events Calendar

- **February 10 - 6:00 P.M. Monthly Club Meeting at Mr Crab**

Our monthly club meeting will be held at Mr Crab at 1161 Lane Ave S., Jacksonville, FL 32210. Find out what's cooking by joining us for a First Coast Miata Club. Dinner & Social at 6:00pm. Our meeting will be at 7:00pm. Topics of discussion will include upcoming events. Come early and hang out with fellow club members to get the most out of your evening. You definitely don't want to miss out on all the fun-filled, action-packed drives we have planned for this year with many more to come!

- **February 21 - 9:00 A.M. A Country Drive**

Our February drive will take us to Lake City for a very unique experience. We'll meet at 8:30 am at the Journey Food Store in Glen St Mary just off of I-10. We will leave at 9 am and head on out to Lake City to enjoy a tasty meal at the Old Time Country Buffet. See the front page and the club's website and Facebook page for all the details!

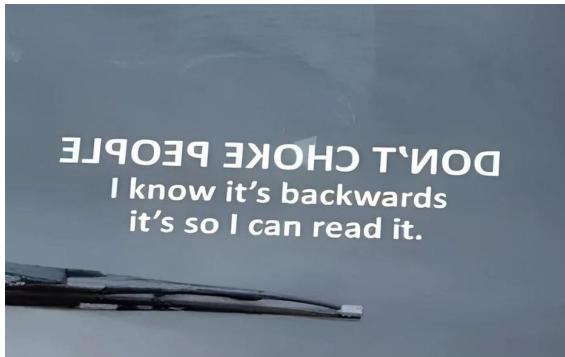
Welcome To Our Newest Members:

Daniel Sampiero

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Who Forgets A C8 Corvette In A Pond? Apparently Someone In Florida

Fire crews discovered the car on the morning of January 14, close to the junction of Route 417 and 528, not far from Orlando International Airport in Florida. Even partially underwater, the Corvette's bright finish made it difficult to miss.

Judging by the tire tracks across the mud and into the water, it appears the Corvette C8 entered the pond in reverse. What's unclear is whether it was intentionally backed in or simply ended up that way. There's evidence someone may have climbed out through the open passenger-side window before it went under. Either way, the cracked front bumper suggests the exit wasn't gentle.

As for why someone walked away from a C8 Corvette? That remains a bit of a mystery. Local authorities haven't released any details. Theories online range from insurance fraud to the possibility that it was a rental gone very wrong. Either way, it seems someone decided it was better to swim for it than explain what happened.

