Sacramento Area Miata Owners Association

Regular Monthly Meeting

**September 9, 2021, 7:00pm**

The meeting was held at Black Bear Diner in Natomas.

Board Members Present: Frank Gontarski, Clay Cowan and Michele Nanjo

The founding, life and new members were introduced.

**Old Business**

SAMOA 30th Anniversary Celebration

The birthday party had to be cancelled due to the extremely poor air quality caused by the wildfires in the area. The board will reschedule the event in the spring.

Christmas Party

* We need suggestions for a food truck to cater the party.
* We need someone to buy plates, cups and utensils. The will be reimbursed by the club.

We also need someone to contact CAM to work out the following logistics:

* Can we bring alcohol (wine/beer)?
* Can we decorate?
* Are there plenty of tables and chairs available?

**New Business**

Christmas Party Gift Exchange

As in years past, the club will hold a gift exchange during the Christmas party. Participation is optional. For those who wish to participate, please bring a wrapped gift valued around $20. When you arrive, you will exchange your gift for a numbered ticket that will be randomly drawn. During the gift exchange, the tickets will be called in numerical order. When your number is called, please come forward to select a gift.

**Note: No white elephant gifts, please.**

**Events**

Full details of all planned events are posted on the club website. **Please RSVP for any event you will be attending.** This is very important, especially if we are stopping for lunch where we need a head count. It helps the organizer know how many cars to expect and ensures you won’t be left behind if you’re running a little late. It also allows the organizer to contact you in case of a change of plans, such as a change of meeting place or cancellation. Club members are strongly encouraged to bring radios when attending runs in case of emergency and to avoid anyone getting lost. **Be sure to have proof of insurance with you on all runs.**

Upcoming SAMOA Events

* 9/18 Quilt Show in Georgetown
* 10/2 CAM CruiseFest – CAM
* 10/14 General Meeting @ Black Bear Diner
* 10/22-24 Miata Reunion – www.miatareunion.com
* 10/14 General Meeting @ Black Bear Diner
* 11/11 General Meeting @ Black Bear Diner
* 12/5 Shriners Hospital Toy Run
* 12/8 Christmas Party @ CAM

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* 1/12 General Meeting @ Black Bear Diner
* 2/26 Capay Valley Run
* 2/10 General Meeting @ Black Bear Diner
* 3/10 General Meeting @ Black Bear Diner
* 4/14 General Meeting @ Black Bear Diner
* 5/12 General Meeting @ Black Bear Diner

Regional Events: Next Year

* Miatas in Moab
* Willamette Valley – Mt. Hood
* Surf ‘N Safari – San Diego

**Reminders**

* Any member who needs a **SAMOA decal for their car or a membership card**, contact Michele Nanjo.
* **Club Logo Merchandise** – The club has window decals available. Contact Michele Nanjo for details.
* **Facebook page** – The club has a private Facebook page for members only. The name is **Sacramento Miata Club** and all members are encouraged to join. This group is intended for car stuff only, so post stories or information that would interest other SAMOA members. Also, if you could use some advice about your Miata, someone on the page will probably be able to help you. To join, please contact the board.
* **SAMOA Member Discounts** – Our members enjoy free admission to the California Auto Museum and also a 15% discount at Elk Grove Mazda. Be ready to show your membership card and if you don’t have one, please contact Michele Nanjo and she’ll get you one.

**Our next general meeting will be at 7:00 p.m., Thursday, October 14th at Black Bear Diner in Natomas.**

Please contact Michele Nanjo if you have any corrections or additions to these minutes.

Happy driving!