Sacramento Area Miata Owners Association Regular Monthly Meeting & Drive

March 13, 2021, 12:30pm

The meeting was held at Lake Clamentia at Rancho Murieta.

Board Members Present: Martin Boersma, Jack Parker, Clay Cowan and Michele Nanjo

The founding, life and new members were introduced.

New Business

Ratification of Officers

Since the club was unable to meet in December to elect a new board, the officers have been serving in an "acting" capacity for the last two months. The club voted to ratify the board as follows:

- President—Martin Boersma
- Vice-President—vacant
- Events Coordinator—Jack Parker
- Treasure—Clay Cowan
- Secretary—Michele Nanjo
- Website—Jack Parker
- Newsletter—Ron Petrich

VP Needed

The club does not currently have a vice-president. We need one of our members to volunteer for this position who will also be willing to assume the presidency next year. Martin made clear that he will not serve beyond the end of this year since he believes that having the same person in the job for multiple years does not serve the club well and results in burn-out of our officers. The hope is that we can institute a practice whereby the VP serves as an understudy to the president for a year, then serves as president and then rotates off the board to make way for new members to take a leadership role. Anyone who is interested in being a part of this should contact Martin or any of our officers.

<u>Meetings</u>

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the club has not conducted regular meetings in a year. Now that vaccines are becoming widely available, we are hoping to return to having monthly events, though we plan to be meeting outside and socially distancing for the next few months at least.

As a result, we will not be having a monthly general meeting at Black Bear diner. Covid restrictions still make it unfeasible. More importantly, we need to revitalize the club after a year of lockdown, so we need to prioritize driving events. For the next few months, the

plan is to meet at Lake Clamentia at Rancho Murieta on a Saturday for a quick meeting and then a drive.

<u>Website</u>

We have a new website! Please visit it to keep up to date on club runs and other news. Any questions, contact Jack Parker.

Club Merchandise

The board is looking to order new club t-shirts and possibly other logo merchandise. Jack suggested two possible vendors: Zazzle, which is based back east and Jack McNamee, who is local. If anyone has other vendor suggestions or ideas for what type of merchandise we should get, contact Jack or Martin.

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

- 4/24 Regular Club Meeting and Rally at Rancho Murieta
- 5/22 Gotts Run
- ? What's Your Wentworth Jack Parker
- ? Newbie Run to Copperopolis Jack Parker
- ? SAMOA at the Rivercats Ellen Frosch
- ? Down the River Run Norm Swanberg
- ? Belated 30th Anniversary Weekend
- 12/? Christmas Party

SAMOA 30th Anniversary Celebration

Since our 30th anniversary party was pre-empted by the pandemic, we are planning to hold a scaled-down event later this year in Virginia City. It will be a weekend event similar to our Monterey run where we do drives and a catered dinner only.

<u>Regional Events: Next Year</u> 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 Monte Hudock.
- **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 monthly meeting will be Saturday, April 24th at Lake Clamentia at Rancho Murieta, time TBA.

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

Happy driving!