

# Sacramento Area Miata Owners Association

## Monthly Meeting

**April 14, 2022, 7:00pm**

The meeting was held at Black Bear Diner in Natomas.

Board Members Present: Frank Gontarski, Bob Castelli, Clay Cowen and Michele Nanjo

The founding and life members were recognized.

### **Officer Reports**

None

### **Old Business**

#### Birthday Party

Marty and Frank are still researching the best venue and date to reschedule the club's birthday party.

#### CAM Tickets

As a member of the California Auto Museum, the club has received dozens of tickets to the museum for our members' use. If you would like some of these free tickets, contact Marty and let him know how many tickets you want. They will be given out on a first come, first served basis.

### **New Business**

#### Miatas on Display

CAM is looking for car clubs to put their cars on display at the museum for a month. We have done this in the past and it's a great way to promote Miatas. If anyone is interested in displaying their car, contact the board. We will need to pick a month to do this, so please let us know when your car would be available.

#### Bonney Lutz Raffle

Bonney Lutz collected a huge number of Miata related items during her life. Her husband Dave has donated it all to the club and we are trying to determine the best way to raffle off this unique collection. We are considering a silent auction at the Christmas party since that typically has a large attendance and would potentially raise the most money. We plan to donate the proceeds to a local charity. Nothing has been finalized yet, so if you have any other ideas for raffling off this collection, please let the board know.

## 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

- 4/23 Rivercats Show 'n Shine – Ellen Frosh (rsvp in March)
- 5/12 General Meeting @ Black Bear Diner
- 6/9 General Meeting @ Black Bear Diner
- 6/19 Car Show & Nascar Simulator @ Bayside Adventure Church
- 6/25 Autocross at Thunder Hill – Bob Castelli
- 7/7-10 Explore Oregon, Grants Pass – Willamette Valley Miata Club
- 7/14 General Meeting @ Black Bear Diner
- 8/11 General Meeting @ Black Bear Diner
- 9/8 General Meeting @ Black Bear Diner
- 10/6-9 Surf 'N Safari – San Diego Miata Club
- 10/13 General Meeting @ Black Bear Diner
- 11/10 General Meeting @ Black Bear Diner
- 12/4 Rally4Kids

### Regional Events: Next Year

- Miatas in Moab

## 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, May 12<sup>th</sup> at Black Bear Diner in Natomas.**

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

Happy driving!