

Sacramento Area Miata Owners Association

Christmas Party & Monthly Meeting

December 8, 2022, 7:00pm

The party was held at the California Auto Museum.

Board Members Present: Martin Boersma, Frank Gontarski, Bob Castelli, Clay Cowan and Michele Nanjo

Visitors recognized.

Old Business

Christmas Party

Thanks to all those who helped organize the Christmas party. Particular recognition goes to:

- Bob and Barbara Castelli
- Harley Dabler
- Norm and Virginia Swanberg
- Sharon Howe
- Frank Gontarski
- DT Nguyen

Missing Emails

It seems that not all SAMOA members are receiving the club emails being sent out from Mailerlite. Consequently, Bob Castelli has set up a separate email account and will be sending out club emails directly. Bob's new club email account is samoabob33@gmail.com.

You should receive at least one email a month from Bob. If you are not receiving these, please check your junk and spam folders. If you are still having problems, you may notify Bob at the above email.

New Business

Elections

The election-related clauses of the bylaws were waived and all of the currently serving board members were elected to continue in their current positions for 2023:

- President Martin Boersma
- VP Frank Gontarski
- Treasurer Clay Cowan
- Secretary Michele Nanjo
- Events Bob Castelli
- Webmaster Jack Parker

Event Committee

Bob Castelli is planning to set up an Events Committee to plan future runs. The club's goal is to have at least one run a month. Anyone interested in participating, please contact Bob.

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

- 1/12 General Meeting
- 2/9 General Meeting
- 2/24-26 Pacific Grove Run
- 3/9 General Meeting
- 3/19 PCA Rally School
- 4/1 OTM VI
- 4/15 General Meeting
- 4/22 Rivercats
- 5/10 General Meeting
- 6/14 General Meeting
- 7/13 General Meeting
- 7/14 Cherry Lake Revisited
- Jul? Explore Oregon with Willamette Valley Miata Club (4-days)
- Aug-Sep? Club Birthday Party in Fort Bragg

Track Days

Contact Norm Swanberg if you're interested in attending a track day with fellow SAMOA members.

Cars & Coffee

Check out the NorCal Car Culture website, <https://norcalcarrculture.com>, for information on Cars & Coffee and other car events in our region.

Other Clubs

The Bay Area Miata Association (BAMA) and the Reno Miata club both have held events recently that our members have participated in. The Reno club is free to join and will get you on their email list for upcoming runs. Contact both clubs for more information.

- BAMA—<https://www.bayareamiataassociation.com>

- Reno—<https://www.renomiataclub.com>

Regional Events: Next Year

- Miatas in Moab

Reminders

- **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.
- 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, January 12th at Black Bear Diner in Natomas.

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

Happy driving!