

SAMOA BOO Meeting 06/22/2012

Maita Mazda Dealership Board Room

President Robin George opened the meeting welcoming BOO members and guests. Maita Parts and Service Manager Darryl Lewis, and Service Rep Ben Lee introduced themselves to us, said they have 4 certified Mazda technicians, one with 25 years experience.

Robin asked that we all please bring up any issues we want to discuss or comments from club members.

The Big Event coordinators will meet tomorrow at the bus yard to try out some events.

The Tahoe Run currently has 16 cars signed up from SAMOA and 6 from the Reno club.

A member of the Reno club is offering to host a picnic for both clubs up in Tahoe, at a gated community park.

The Tuesday event at Greenhaven Estates needs more cars, please come if you can.

14 people are expected to go to the Explore Oregon event.

The monthly meeting is pushed out to July 19 since several BOO will attend Explore Oregon.

The State Fair event will not include ribbons this year, as the fair board decided that's one place they can cut the budget. BOO members may come up with an alternative.

Ron discussed having a Tech event, on Tuesday, Aug. 7th, from 6:30 – 8:30 pm, Paradyme is willing to host a tech talk regarding car audio. This is not going to be a sales-pitch, but rather a how, what, and why of car audio, tailored to the Miata, but will relate to other vehicles as well. Bring folding chairs, pizza will be provided by Paradyme, 1744 Fulton Avenue, Sacramento.

Ron mentioned for Monterey Historics he's not sure if he is going, depends on if he gets a room.

Skip announced that Clearwater Lights and Audio will have their annual open house party in October.

The Big Event was discussed briefly, Sept. 8th and 9th in Nevada City, some rooms available at the Inn. BOO discussed and passed a vote to have SAMOA fund one room so that there is bathroom access and refrigeration available for the picnic which will take place at the Inn.

The SAMOA birthday party will be held at Windwalker again, September 23rd, the menu for Back 40 BBQ was discussed, the BOO voted on the recommended meal plan, Ranch Hand (minus the corn-cob). Cost (~\$15.02/person if at least 50 members attend) includes taxes and 10% gratuity for delivery and set up.

BOO will have a jar set out at the picnic to collect donations for Wounded Warriors this year.

Jack is unable to do the annual Teddy Bear Run, so Ron and Renee volunteered to lead the run this year. We will plan for mid to late November or early December.

There will be the annual Kirkwood Pancake Breakfast Run on Sept. 30th. Ellen mentioned that she would like to tie in an overnight run, possibly to Lone Pine. Distance was discussed, and perhaps Lone Pine was too far away to tie in. Other areas in the Eastern Sierras were mentioned such as Lee Vining and Mono Lake, maybe the first weekend in October instead. She will give it more thought as to where and when.

Fort Bragg weekend is Oct. 5th – 8th; generally about 5 – 6 couples have attended each year the last few years.

Christmas Dinner will be December 8th, Mike and Jenn Sipe will host again with Jason Carmel providing entertainment. Cost of the entertainment was covered last year by donated funds, which we don't have again this year. The BOO voted that SAMOA will cover the cost of the entertainment so that the cost per member for dinner was still reasonable (\$22 – \$27/plate instead of \$27 - \$32/plate.)

At the December meeting we will hold the BOO elections as before.

A drive put on by the Auto Museum was discussed; \$39/car to drive from Sac State to area, there was no interest due to the high cost.

Skip asked about doing a Show and Shine, board said sure, Renee mentioned Miner's Leap Winery might be interested in hosting one, she will look into it.

BOO threw around ideas on how to get better exposure for the club. Ron will contact the group that does the 'Best of Sacramento' annual posting, see if they would be interested in adding 'Best Car Club'.

Ellen will contact David Biggers, he mentioned one time that he has a Miata, he's a Channel 3 Meteorologist. Skip and Renee mentioned that Channel 31, Good Day Sacramento, always shows local happenings, including car club events. If we contact them in advance they may do a piece on it.

Meeting adjourned.