

SAMOA Member Meeting 01/10/2013

Newly elected and former SAMOA President Robin George opened the meeting at 7pm, welcoming members on behalf of the Board of Officers (BOO).

Robin took a few minutes to pay respect to Huell Howser, a much loved figure on Public Broadcasting, and host of California Gold. Huell was awesome (yes that is my personal opinion.) He will be missed.

Some additional awards were handed out to those who missed the December meeting, and then Robin introduced the BOO, past presidents, and lifetime members.

Jeanne gave the treasurers report, there is an audit of the books on 1/12/13 by the finance committee; they will be doing their annual review. There are car decals available for \$1 each, hats for \$6 each, and wine glasses for \$4 each.

Renee gave the member report (thanks Margie for the numbers): there are 149 Miatas, 223 active members, and 135 active memberships.

Diana discussed the events: The Hangover Run was fun, good times had by all; Ron presented details about the Super Bowl Run, two groups fast and moderate paced, RSVP online; Renee gave some details on the SJV club's Coastal Cruise, SAMOA can meet them in Carmel if they don't want to meet them south in Fresno, meeting at the Barnyard Shopping Center in Carmel with plans to leave there by 1:30 to drive to San Simeon; Jack talked about Autocross on June 2nd; Ron mentioned the vintage races May 19th in Sonoma; Ralph discussed the event for the blind, lots of response, May 18th at 10 am, meet at 1238 South St downtown at the Society for the Blind., 17 members showed interest in participating; Robin mentioned that our goal is to have at least one run per month.

Jack gave the tech talk, discussed under-steer, driving your Miata to get a feel for it and get to know it, participate in autocross as it is a safe environment to try to push your limits, read the newsletter for more tech advice.

Ron P provided the password for the month, and told some true stories. He asked the members if they use the Forum.

Jennifer asked for newsletter articles. She is recommending that a short biography of new members be posted each month.

Robin encouraged the members to check out the SAMOA page on Facebook.

Ellen introduced new members: Sercon Ceyhan has a '03 Green with hardtop, he is a PhD student at UCD.

Red mentioned that their shop hours are changing, they will be available more hours now.

Raffle prizes: Beer – Vince; Wine – Ellen, Wes, Jeanne, Diana, Skip, Kathy B, Norm; Chocolates – Margaret C; Flavored Syrups for coffee – Karen; Car wash – Alex & JC; Pretzels – Paul; Wax and cloths – Steve; Homemade Jams& Jellies – Vince; Mustard and Chipotle sauces – Chris & Diana; Solar Garden lights – Lee; Armor All & cloths – Kathy B; olives – Bob R; Upholstery cleaner, Nu-Glass, & cloths – Karen; Sausage & Cheese – Karen D; Dips and Bruschetta – Vince; Sauces and Dressings – Karen; **Mary Kay Basket – Rod.**

Meeting Adjourned!