

SACRAMENTO AREA MIATA OWNERS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING – BLACK BEAR DINER

02/12/2015

Open – President Robin George opened the meeting at 7pm and welcomed everyone. Let's get those Miatas ready for Spring! April is our month to display Miatas at the Auto Museum. We need some members to volunteer to put their Miata on display for the entire month of April.

Tonight we have a guest speaker. Robin Cole, Legislative Analyst is here to speak about the Association of California Car Clubs (ACCC) and its goals. Robin presented some bills concerning vehicle laws and drivers that are in discussion with our legislature and their impact on car enthusiasts should they become law.

Introduction of Officers. President – Robin George, Vice President – Mike DeLaurentis (absent), Treasurer – Jeanne George, Secretary – Ellen Frosch, Tech Advisor – Lee Galati, Events Coordinator – Mike Sipe, Newsletter Editor – Jennifer Sipe.

Recognition of Lifetime Members present at the meeting – Dennis Swaney, Ralph Gingrich, Robin and Jeanne George. Recognition of past Presidents present at the meeting -- Robin George.

Robin presented Miata SAMOA calendars to individuals who helped advance the club during the past year, including serving on committees and leading runs. Awards were handed out to the following: Bob and Barbara Castelli, and Ralph Gingrich.

Officer Reports

Treasurer Report from Jeanne George:

- a) Update on our new Auto Insurance Policy through Hagerty Insurance. Policy is effective 02/01/2015, comparable to our prior plan, and cost of \$380 per year (approximately \$100 less than previous policy). Thank you Jack Parker for connecting us with the Hagerty Insurance agent.
- b) Bank of America has been our bank for many, many years. They recently restructured their fee policy and we were facing a potential \$16/month fee on our regular checking account. During this same time, our CD matured (value \$6,924). So the Board discussed the situation and approved depositing \$3,000 from the CD into our checking account and the remaining \$3,924 into our business savings account. This helps the Club's bank account maintain the minimum dollar balance required under the new fee structure so as not to incur any banking fees.

- c) Jeanne gave a quiz related to the 25th Anniversary Event. The member who answered correctly was awarded a SAMOA deck of cards.
- d) We have a couple of SAMOA items still available in inventory (T-Shirts and Baseball Caps).

Secretary Report from Ellen Frosch: Announced the total number of 133 active memberships, 222 active members, and 150 Miata's in the club.

Events Coordinator Mike Sipe:

Review of recently completed events:

- Super Bowl Run – Nice weather and the roads were newly paved. A great run.

Upcoming Events – (Be sure to RSVP through the SAMOA website)

- 4/12/2015 Into the Crater run to Volcano
Meet at the McDonald's Restaurant located at the intersection of Sunrise Boulevard and White Rock Road in Rancho Cordova (please park just outside of the McDonald's lot toward the Costco) at 10:00Am and depart at 10:30AM sharp. The route will take us east on White Rock, through Plymouth and Fiddletown, past Daffodil Hill and down Ram's Horn into Volcano. Once again reserved Miata parking will be directly in front of the Inn. Sadly our host Brad has moved on, but we have been promised a warm welcome by the new manager, Ed Tracey. Ed has promised to tailor a menu similar to last year that should satisfy everyone in our group. Please RSVP for this event no later than Thursday, April 9th so we can get a proper head count for the restaurant.
- 10/2 – 4/2015 Silver Jubilee
Jennifer Sipe gave a presentation on the Silver Jubilee event location, Black Oak Casino. Registration is \$80 per person through August 1, 2015, \$100 per person thereafter. Registration includes:
 - Friday welcome reception
 - Saturday breakfast
 - Saturday dinner banquet
 - Charity raffle/Silent Auction
 - Multiple Saturday guided tours
 - Event bags
 - Name badges
 - Other event handouts

Hotel reservations must be made directly with the resort by phone. Please book your rooms before September 1, 2015 to guarantee these rates. Please tell the agent to use the reservation code **Sacramento Miata Club**. Room rates are as follows (deluxe king or double queen): Thursday \$99 - Friday/Saturday \$109. An occupancy tax of 10% will be added to each night's stay. Discounted rates will also be offered for the 3 days prior and post the event. The hotel and event center is 100% smoke free. The hotel is a separate building from the casino. Nearby attractions are: Columbia, Jamestown, and Yosemite.

- Plenty of room on the calendar, so let's get some Miata runs going. Watch the website for news and events.

Tech Advisor Lee Galati

- Told the club about the Modification Databased that we established and posted on the SAMOA website. Those who modified their cars have been asked to speak at a future club meeting or to write an article for the newsletter.

No new members were in attendance, so no introductions were made.

Steve Gust show his ballcap with a lighted bill. Handy for those nights when you need to see what is in your Miata trunk.

Robin unveiled the new banner that will be used for the 25th Anniversary Event. It is our Silver Jubilee logo.

Raffle was held. Following the raffle the meeting was adjourned.