

# Sacramento Area Miata Owners Association

## Regular Monthly Meeting

**May 10, 2018, 7:00 PM**

President Robin George called the meeting to order and introduced the founding members, lifetime members and guests present.

New Lifetime members: Rod Gonzales and Mike DeLorentis

Guests: George Gold of the Chico Miata Club, Craig Hensley and SAMOA past president, Steve Hartzel

Kathi Bell spoke about Margaret Counter, a longtime member and Sacramento native who passed away recently. In addition to being an active member of SAMOA, Margaret was also very involved in local women's charities. We will miss her.

### Announcements

The club has been accepted into the Vietnam Veterans Commemorative Program designed to recognize veterans who served during the war. If you served in the armed forces between November 1<sup>st</sup>, 1955 and May 15<sup>th</sup>, 1975 – or if you have a deceased family member who served at that time - you are eligible to be recognized through this program regardless of whether or not you served in Vietnam. Seventeen vets and two spouses have signed up with the club. Each veteran or spouse will be honored with a pin, certificate and flag.

SAMOA Needs You! -- It's not too early to start thinking about running for a club office. Some of our long-serving officers will be retiring at the end of this year, so we need new members to step up and help lead our club. If you are interested – or just want more information – please contact Robin George.

Any member who needs a SAMOA decal for their car or a membership card, contact Michele Nanjo.

### Past Events

The Angwin/Gotts II run was a great success despite having to detour around a triathlon. Twenty cars participated and a good time was had by all.

### Upcoming SAMOA Events

Reminder: 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. Full details of all planned events are posted on the club website.

- 06/16 Down the River Run (tentative date) – Norm Swanberg
- 06/30 SAMOA at the Rivercats – Ellen Frosch
- 07/15 Steve & Beth's Birthday Fun Run – Steve Cimini
- 08/03 Miata's at Thunder Hill Track Day – Ron Petrich
- 09/08 SAMOA Birthday Picnic
- 09/14-16 Miata's at Laguna Seca Raceway – Rick Weldon
- 10/05-08 Ralph Gingrich Memorial Fort Bragg Run – Vince Weis/Kathi Bell
- 10/16-21 SCCA National Championship Runoffs – Ron Petrich
- 12/13 Monthly Meeting & Christmas Party

### Reminders

**Club Logo Merchandise** – The club has window decals as well as 6” magnetic decals available. Contact Michele Nanjo or Jeanne George 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 submit a request to [jeanne@winfirst.com](mailto:jeanne@winfirst.com) and give her your Facebook user name. One of our administrators will add you to the group.

**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 monthly meeting will be June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018.**

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

Happy driving!