

Sacramento Area Miata Owners Association

Regular Monthly Meeting

May 11, 2017, 7:00 PM

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

New Member

Welcome to Will Honeywell! He owns a red 1995 Miata he got in January. He also owns a Porsche 944. Will attends Lincoln High School and works at Gulfstream.

Regular Business

Kathi Bell reminded everyone of the importance of wearing seatbelts. She and several friends were in a rollover accident recently and all walked away with only minor scrapes and bruises because they were wearing seatbelts.

It was confirmed that the rollbar on the ND will NOT allow you to race at Thunder Hill. A sturdier, aftermarket rollbar is required. James Barger has a regulation rollbar and can give advice to anyone interested.

Swap Meet -- All members are encouraged to attend the swap meet at our June club meeting. Come out and bring all those Miata gadgets and gizmos you have lovingly collected, but which are sitting around, unused. If you want to advertise what you're bringing, email Ron Petrich and he will post the items on our website, but this is not necessary. You are welcome to surprise us. For more information, check out the June Meeting on the website.

Dealership Discount -- Don't forget to mention our club at the Maita and Elk Grove dealerships to receive a 15% discount on parts and labor.

Miatas on Display -- The California Auto Museum is once again planning a display of Miatas during the winter of 2018 (Jan-Mar). If you would like to have your car on display, contact Robin for further information.

Cancelled Event -- The Kit Carson Run on June 24th has been cancelled due to poor road conditions. The road up to the lodge took a beating in all the winter storms and is essentially impassable. We hope to reschedule this event later when the road has been repaired.

Recent Events -- The Newby Run was a huge success, with 28 cars in attendance. Some members needed to be turned away. The Poker Run was also a tremendous success, with 26 cars. Congratulations to Ron Petrich who won the pot of \$185!

List of Upcoming Events (Norm Swanberg)

- 05/21 Not a Superbowl Sunday Run
- 06/08 Swap Meet at the June club meeting
- 06/10 Robin's Flight
- 07/08 Full Moon Run
- 08/27 Down the River Run
- 09/16 SAMOA Open Golf Championship
- 09/30 SAMOA Birthday Picnic
- 10/6-8 Mazdas at Mazda Raceway
 - This event is NOT just for racers! This is a full weekend of fun for everyone, so come on out and celebrate our favorite sports car.
- 10/6-9 Ralph Gingrich Memorial Fort Bragg Run
 - DON'T WAIT! If you plan to attend this event, make your reservations and sign up for the abalone "judging" at the Abalone Festival NOW. Judging ballots are limited and sell out fast. Accommodations will also be filling up.
- 12/14 Christmas Party at the December club meeting

OTM Events

- 10/6 CAM Cruise on Fulton
- TBA PCA Time/Speed/Distance Rally in June – Richard Wetzel

Birthday Party

The birthday party will be held at the Windwalker Winery on Saturday, September 30th. Ron will lead the run to the winery starting from the Costco in Rancho Cordova. Details will be provided on the website.

Christmas Party

This year's Christmas party will take place at our regular meeting at the Black Bear Diner on December 14th. We will have a gift exchange in lieu of the raffle with a \$15 maximum value per gift. If you bring a gift, you will receive a gift.

NOTE: Full details of all planned events are posted on the club website. In addition, each month you should receive and email with a full list of events.

Club Logo Merchandise

- The club has ordered new, smaller decals since the ones we recently bought are too big to fit on the triangular insert windows of the 2016 Miatas.
- The club is also looking into possibly buying license plate frames. If you want more information or have any suggestions, contact Robin.

Reminder

The club has a new 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 and give her your Facebook user name. One of our administrators will add you to the group.

Our next regular, monthly meeting will be June 8th.

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

Happy driving!