

SAMOA General Meeting

May 13, 2010 –Tex Wasabi's

Meeting called to order by President Robin George with a video of Mather Auto Cross with Jack Parker as the featured driver (after Robin rebooted the computer). A call came in from Farmington, New Mexico and the MOAB gang, Denise, Ellen, Margie and Pam, just to check on the meeting. Nine cars are on this year's trip to MOAB. They have traveled 1700 miles and will arrive in Utah tomorrow.

"Why are we here?" Celebrate and Exchange information and meet new people, establish friendships centered around common interest in the affordable sports car, Mazda Miata.

Board Introductions: Media Director Ron Petrich; Technical Advisor Bob Bacon (not present); Events Coordinator Jack Parker; Secretary Pam Hunt (not present); Treasurer Jeanne George; Newsletter Editor Michelle Thomas; President Robin George; Lifetime Members Dennis Swaney, Skip Noyes,; and Past President Mike DeLaurentis. We will be having some more longtime members in the near future. Robin asked everyone to be thinking about elections for the end of the year.

Mike DeLaurentis is also chair for the 20th Anniversary. Please submit any ideas you have to him.

Health Minute: Robin presented an article of interest for the newspaper "Brazil's Remedy for Better Health."

Reports:

Secretary – Jeanne substituting for Pam Hunt. 140 members, 231 people, 144 Miatas. Membership is growing, 9 new in March, 10 in April and 3 so far in May.

Treasurer – Jeanne George. Honor Skip and Robin for their birthdays.

Technical – Robin substituted for Bob Bacon. Video on Intabulator. Too technical for notes.

Media Director – Ron reminded all of Raffle for 20th Anniversary, lots of prizes, check the web site. Also on the web site, new feature is the calendar covering the full year with the events posted.

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Events Coordinator – Jack Parker

Race this weekend at Mather for AutoCross

Placerville Historic and Gold Bug Mine – Sunday May 16th, Mike DeLaurentis

What is your Wentworth – May 29th, Jack Parker. Watch for updates due to snow conditions.

Charity Wine & Poker Run- May 22, Corvette Club and Robin George

Go Cart Racing—June 8th, Ken Johnson

Kirkwood Pancake Run—June 19th, Jack Parker

River Cats Ball Game—August 20th, Ron Petrich (we have 15 signed, need 20)

Newsletter Editor—Michelle Thomas

Needs articles, receiving only from same six members. Please participate.

Items of interest:

Skip Noyes new car 2004 Silver (his number 12)

Auto Museum – free admission to members once a year. Show your ID card or Drivers License.

Dennis Strassburger provided free tickets for any interested in touring the Aerospace Museum at McClellan AFB. Thanks to Dennis.

New Member: Dennis Larson from Wilton. Black Miata. He is a docent at Auto Museum and a Civil War Re-enactor.

Thanks to John Hennessey, Elk Grove Mazda for contributions to Raffle, showing support by having people at our monthly meetings, hanging a banner, and offering 15% off on parts and labor. Let's remember to support them. We have also applied to Mazda and they have agreed to support us for the 20th Anniversary celebration.

Crazy Red suggests visiting him with any strange, or unusual problems with your Miata. He has leftover Entertainment books for \$10 with one donated by Red to the Raffle.

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Raffle Prizes

Travel Umbrella - Ron

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Cooler - Rod

Cooler - Wes

Wheel Cleaner - Alan

Sharp Travel Alarm - Neal

Leatherman type multi tool - Eric

Battery free flashlight - Margaret

Golf Balls - Dennis

Ratchet set - Mike

Electric Tester - Ralph

Wet wipe/shine - Austin

Harold Hoot - Mike

All Purpose dusters - Ron P

Pkg of 5 Car Washes - Alan

Bottle of Wine to:

Jack, Frank (2 bottles), Steve (with 1 mug), Jeanne, Ken 2 bottles (with Mug), Neal, Elaine, Skip 2 bottles (with 1 Mug), Eric.

Meeting Adjourned

Submitted by Elaine Mackey