

SACRAMENTO AREA MIATA OWNERS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING – BLACK BEAR DINER

06/11/2015

Open – President Robin George opened the meeting at 7pm and thanked everyone for their kind words and thoughts last month when Jeanne’s mother passed. On another positive note, Robin’s health is improving.

“Why are we here?” To celebrate the finest, most affordable sports car in the world....the Mazda Miata.

During the past month some members have been scouting routes for our Silver Jubilee celebration. We have found some great roads for driving your Miata and doing runs. You won’t want to miss this event.

A special thanks to Ron Petrich for ‘joyfully’ making all of the changes and revisions to the Silver Jubilee webpage each time something is to be changed or rearranged. Much appreciated!!

Introduction of Officers and those who work behind the scenes for the club. President – Robin George, Vice President – Mike DeLaurentis, Treasurer – Jeanne George, Secretary – Ellen Frosch, Webmaster – Ron Petrich. Events Coordinator – Mike Sipe, and Media Director – Jennifer Sipe are out of town.

Remember, this December we will be voting on our officers for 2016. If anyone is interested in becoming a club officer let Robin or any BOO member know. We would like to have new faces for next year and with it comes new ideas and direction for the club. Remember, this is YOUR club.

The club is getting wonderful support from Elk Grove Mazda and Maita Mazda for our 25th Anniversary Silver Jubilee. Robing is still waiting for an answer from Roseville Mazda, no commitment yet. Mazda USA is also supporting the event. There are lots of vendors providing items for the raffle and silent auction.

Recognition of Founding Members: Dennis Swaney and Skip Noyes. Lifetime Members present at the meeting – Dennis Swaney, Skip Noyes, Joanne Gingrich, the McCamey’s, and the George’s; Recognition of past Presidents Mike DeLaurentis and Robin George.

Officer Reports

Treasurer Report from Jeanne George: We have just a few t-shirts left. If you want a Polo Shirt with the official Silver Jubilee logo, you must pre-order those.

Secretary Report from Ellen Frosch: Announced the total number of 130 active memberships, 214 active members, and 144 Miata’s in the club.

Tech Presentation by Ray Pulley.: Improving the Comfort of Your Miata.....How I made my Miata more comfortable for me. Ray looked into new shocks and the ones being promoted by the Miata sites make the car handle better through the curves. This is fine but it makes the ride more stiff for the passenger, not what he was looking for since his Miata is his daily drive. What he learned is that you have to make changes to components that are not permanently affixed to the axle. He ended up changing the wheels and the tires. Now he has a much more comfortable, less stiff, drive to and from work every day.

Events: Ron Petrich (filling in for Mike Sipe)

Upcoming Events (RSVP on the SAMOA website)

- 6/13/2015 – Kirkwood NOT a Pancake Run
- 7/18/2015 – Rey's Garage & Museum Run
- 8/2/2015 – Lodi Wine Tour
- 8/15/2015 – Cruzin' the Boulevard, El Dorado Hills Town Center
- 9/11-14/2015 – Ralph Gingrich Memorial Run to Ft. Bragg
- 9/19/2015 – Black Hawk Museum Run
- Plenty of room on the calendar, so let's get some Miata runs going. Watch the website for news and events.

Newsletter Editor Jennifer Sipe Sent a message that even though she isn't here tonight, remember to submit articles for the Newsletter.

Vice President Mike DeLaurentis introduced new members:

- Jag Sanghera – 1994 Laguna Blue Miata
- Ken and Kris Cardwell – 2015 Black Miata "Miel Negro"
- Jean Palma – 1999 Red Miata "Pepper"

Raffle was held.