

## SAMOA Member Meeting 12 June 2013

President Robin George opened the meeting at 7pm to the cheers of the members. He welcomed everyone and discussed how the Mazda Miata is the most affordable sports car, enjoyable to drive, and easy to maintain. (Gee, if he'd asked us, we could have told him that.)

Robin introduced the Board of Officers, lifetime members, and past presidents.

Treasurer, Jeanne George, then gave her update. She has Miata attire for sale, including some long sleeve shirts, denim shirts, and t-shirts, as well as hats, and two remaining wineglasses.

Co-secretary, Margie Jurach, gave the member report: there are 143 Miatas, 212 active members, and 128 active memberships.

Activity coordinator, Diana Loo, led the updates on past and future activities: Hair in the Wind went well, folks had fun and the passengers seemed to enjoy their trips. Autocross was fun, more to follow on winners.

Future events (see SAMOA website Events pages for full details):

Greenhaven Estates, 6/18, shortest run ever, meet up at Bank of America and head to Greenhaven Estates, then after the car show head over to Freeport Inn for dinner.

6/22, Kirkwood Pancake Run, meet up at 8am in Rancho Murietta at the Local Bean coffee shop, leave at 8:30, head up to Kirkwood Inn, and have breakfast.

First Friday at the Fountains, 7/5, car show, Car must be there from 4:30 – 9:30 pm, need at least 30 cars, up to 36, this is an invite only event by the Fountains, please RSVP.

July 10 – 15<sup>th</sup>, Explore Oregon, put on by Willamette Valley Miata Club, SAMOA members leaving from BBD on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon.

USS Hornet tour, July 20<sup>th</sup>, leave Davis McDonald's at 8:30, head to Alameda, there will be a docent led tour of the Hornet, then lunch at pier 29. Return will be through Delta, ice cream at Mel's. Cost is \$12/adult, \$10/senior or student, and \$6 for kids under 12.

Disney museum in SF, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, meet at Winters' Burger King/Shell station just off 505, head out to Pt. Reyes, then Presidio. Please RSVP, need \$ in advance for the first 10 persons to hold our reservation.

August 10, Bethel Island 50's Bash, Mike D will lead the run out to the Bell's place on Bethel Island for a weenie roast, bocce ball on the levy, classic car show, hula hoop contests, and more fun.

Monterrey Car week, Aug 16 – 18<sup>th</sup>, Miata corral, check with Ron P or the website for more info.

Aug. 24<sup>th</sup>, OTM run, bring you 'other than Miata' for a drive and car show; Aug. 31, Sept. 1, Return to Lassen, overnight event; Sept. 14, Picnic at Lake Tahoe; See events pages for more details on these fun events.

Autocross organizer, Jack Parker, then handed out awards to the Autocross winners:

2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Class 1 – Tom Tyer

1<sup>st</sup> place Class 1 – Bob Castelli

1<sup>st</sup> Place, Class 2 – Bob Bacon

1<sup>st</sup> Place, Class 3 – Lee Sutton

Overall champion – Ryan Saville

Jack thanked scorekeeper, Jeanne George, for an awesome job.

Media Director, Ron Petrich, told some bad jokes, and gave a tribute to fathers in quotes and ‘true’ stories. He also noted to members that Yahoo mail may see some emails with multiple recipients as spam, so please be sure to add Ron as a safe sender in your Yahoo account.

Ron also reported about new postings on the web, first, in the web guest book, an E6 in the Navy posted, they are currently in Guam. He wants to join SAMOA, has 3 Miatas, and was a member of a club in Seattle. Also, photos of the Autocross have been posted.

Tech advisor Jack Parker didn’t give a talk, he said to check out the newsletter. Instead, Ray Bauer gave a brief discussion on air horns, he said they are electrically activated, he recommends 8g wire, rather than 12g, and these make driving much safer.

Vice President, Ellen Frosh, is now our self appointed security advisor. She then introduced visitor, Sam DeBerry, who recently moved here from SoCal.

Paula discussed a free concert in Auburn, June 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, come check it out, patriotic theme.

Robin mentioned a Miata for sale, the McClure’s ’93 White, 110K miles, \$3000 obo.

Raffle prizes:

Wine: Bob R, Bob C, Barbara, Renee & Skip, Cynthia F, Julia (Alyssa) Roberts, Tom;

Beer: Carol B, Barbara, Kourtney (Alyssa) K. x 2, Veronica, Carole H., Bob B, Tom;

BBQ set & sauce: Kim (Alyssa) K.; Spray n Shine w/Cloths: Bob B; Tire shine, Gojo, & cloths: Tom;

Car Wash: Wes, Norm, Tom; Candle Castle: Chris; Chair: Sam D, Alyssa; Miata bag: Norm; Coffee: Wes;

Car wax, Gojo, & Cloths: Helen D, Barry; dessert plates: Robin; Citronella Candles: Carole H;

NC Car cover: Randy M

MEETING ADJOURNED!