

SAMOA General Meeting  
February 11, 2010 – Tex Wasabi

Meeting opened by Mike DeLaurentis with Resounding Music. President Robin George was unable to Emcee meeting due to Root Canal with possible brain injury. Mike led us in a Valentine's Toast, "Here's to all Spouses and Lovers, May They Never Meet!!"

Board Introduction: Media Director Ron Petrich; Technical Advisor Bob Bacon; Events Coordinator Jack Parker; Secretary Pam Hunt (out from surgery, Elaine Substitutes); Treasurer Jeanne George; Newsletter Editor Michelle Thomas; President Robin George; Lifetime Members Dennis Swaney, Richard and Dorothy McCamey, Dave DeNuzo; and Past President Mike DeLaurentis. (Speaking of President's, Mike suggested we all start thinking of the elections to come and a coup d'état).

Reports:

Secretary – No report (Pam Hunt out for surgery)

Technical Advisor – Bob

**Citations are being issued in California for violating the "move over law". The base fine is \$50 with \$35 in Sacramento County. (CA law says a freeway driver approaching an emergency vehicle, a state of CA transportation vehicle or a tow truck with amber lights flashing-should move over one lane if safe to do so.)**

Article hailing a Miata manufacturing December '89 with 400,000 miles and everything works. Also discussed another car article (didn't get the name) looks like a Miata with a 1995 engine with a tow weight of 1500 lbs, 1.8 liter engine, 0-60 under 30 seconds.

Newsletter – Michelle

Xlarge eggs for sale \$3.00 (bring egg cartons if you have them.)

Heads up regarding theft, example of a passenger window being broken and a top stolen. She needs articles for newsletter. Be sure to check out photos by Mark.

\*\*Mike DeLaurentis took a moment to acknowledge Tex Wasabi's wait staff and the great service. Noticed we haven't been kicked out yet.

Media Director – Ron

Described Raffle for "Running Around Bear Party." Detailed some of the great prizes already donated (see web for descriptions). Reminded everyone they can buy tickets on line. They will receive receipt in mail along with stubs and tickets will be placed in drawing. You need not be present to win.

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Events – Jack

President's Run hosted by Robin and Jeanne George on 2/15.  
Spring Fever Run Hosted by Ken Johnson and Cat Black on 3/13  
Autocross Championships hosted by Jack Parker at Mather 3/21 \$30 registration  
Ferrari Challenge Infineon Raceway hosted by Ron Petrich 5/2  
Moab sponsored by Utah Club and led by Terry for 3 days starting 5/14 via Santa Fe  
\*\*Mike DeLaurentis encouraged members to sponsor an event. Club members are willing to help the lazy ones (I mean inexperienced).

Treasurer – Jeanne

Gundi will not be organizing Christmas Party for 2010, Elaine Mackey will organize with Robin George emceeing.

Current Memberships 128, with 212 members, and 135 Miatas; and 7 new memberships. She will be changing attire provider, please see her for current inventory available.

Don't forget the club gets a donation if you purchase new tires from Tire Rack. Club received \$150 Commission from Jack's tire purchase. Remember you can have tires shipped directly to (Radial Tire Company) to mount for \$20 each.

Badge order forms are available, wooden badges for \$5 w/**pin** or \$6 with magnet.

California Auto Museum offers free admission to club members, just give your name; they will have a club roster. Entrance good for anytime. Let Robin know if you want to receive an email of the Museum's newsletter. Club Member Mike Wilson training to be a docent (now knows a Ford from a Chevy) and may be a potential for a private tour.

End of Board Reports

**Mike presented a magnetic decal to Marlaina Wilson for two events they led in 2009: their picnic at the winery and their farm trails events.**

\*\*Mike reviewed the Packages to our Troops program and asked for any donations to go to Helen DeLaurentis who purchases and ships them to the troops. We may have a visit from one of the recipients in the future.

Vi Nicholson standing in for Mike DeLaurentis introduced new members:

Dennis and Marsha Bentley

Married 47 years, live in Mokelumne Hills, She retired from Real Estate after 20 years, he retired from Law Enforcement after 30 years. They have a 2002 yellow.

Jill and Matt Thurston

Married 3 years, live in Rancho Cordova. She works for Golden One Fraud Protection and he is Production Manager for Bodycraft, Roseville. They have an 06 White.

20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party – Tomorrow will be open to other clubs so if you are interested and have not reserved a room, you should do so right away. Only 53 rooms but there are accommodations in Arnold and Murphys. Currently there are 20 rooms left. Thanks to Ron for calendars.

Raffle – Mike and Jennifer

Car Cleaner & game – Kevin O

Backpack & game – Vince

Tire Gauge – **Ron**

Tire Foam – Betty H.

Beringer Wine – Ellen

Candy – Kevin O.

Armor All Wipes – Kathy Bell

Cleaner Wax – Dennis

Candy – Marsha Bentley

Mondavi Cabernet – Clay

Folding Fabric Bin and game – Marsha Bentley

Ratcheting screwdrivers Valentine gift – Betty H.

Seriously Good Wine – Ron

Car Wash – Vince

Candy – Dot

Champagne – Marsha Bentley

Basket Wine & Chocolates – Vince

Basket Wine and bubble Bath – Elaine

8:05 PM Meeting adjourned

Submitted by Elaine Mackey