

Sacramento Area Miata Owners Association

Regular Monthly Meeting

October 11, 2018, 7:00 PM

Vice-President Rene Araiza called the meeting to order and introduced the officers, founding members and lifetime members.

This was the 350th meeting of SAMOA!

Sad news, two of our members, Graeme Kinsey and Don Updegraff, passed away this month. Condolences to their families.

There were 385 Miatas that participated in the parade lap at Laguna Seca Raceway the weekend of September 14-16. Since next year is the 30th anniversary of the introduction of the Miata, Mazda is hoping to have 3000 Miatas participate in the event. So stay tuned for information on next year's Miata's at Laguna Seca weekend. Hopefully, we can go and celebrate this milestone.

The club's annual birthday picnic raised \$616 for the CalFire Foundation. The club also donated \$500 for a total donation of \$1116. Thanks to all who contributed!

Upcoming SAMOA Events

Reminder: Please RSVP for any event you will be attending. This is very important, especially if we are stopping for lunch where we need a head count. It helps the organizer know how many cars to expect and ensures you won't be left behind if you're running a little late. It also allows the organizer to contact you in case of a change of plans, such as a change of meeting place or cancellation. Full details of all planned events are posted on the club website.

- 10/20 SCCA National Championship Runoffs – Ron Petrich
NOTE: The Miata corral will be near turn 7 on 10/20. Tickets are \$25/person
- 11/8 Club Meeting
- 12/2 Rally for Kids – Rod Gonzalez
- 12/13 Monthly Meeting, Elections & Christmas Party

Announcements

SAMOA Needs You! – We are rapidly approaching our December meeting and Christmas party where elections for next year's officers will be held. Some of our long-serving officers, including president, Robin George, will be retiring at the end of this year, so we need new members to step up and help lead our club. If you are interested in running for an office – or just want more information – please contact Robin George.

Anyone interested in purchasing a radio to use during club runs should see our website for information on recommended brands and prices.

Any member who needs a SAMOA decal for their car or a membership card, contact Michele Nanjo.

Reminders

Club Logo Merchandise – The club has window decals as well as 6” magnetic decals available. Contact Michele Nanjo or Jeanne George for details.

Facebook page – The club has a 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.

SAMOA Member Discounts – Our members enjoy free admission to the California Auto Museum and also a 15% discount at Elk Grove Mazda. Be ready to show your membership card and if you don't have one, please contact Michele Nanjo and she'll get you one.

Our next monthly meeting will be November 8th, 2018.

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

Happy driving!