

**Sacramento Area Miata Owners Association
Minutes of General Meeting—Black Bear Diner
December 8, 2016**

President Mike Wilson welcomed everyone to the Sacramento Area Miata Owners Association (SAMOA) general meeting.

Mike thanked everyone for attending tonight, and asked the usual question: “Why are we here tonight? To celebrate the **people** who have chosen the Miata; the finest, most affordable sports car in the world, of course.

Mike introduced the following founding members, lifetime members and past presidents in attendance:

Founding SAMOA members:

- Dennis Swaney
- Skip Noyes

Lifetime SAMOA Members:

- Robin George
- Jeanne George
- Skip Noyes
- Dennis Swaney

Past Presidents:

- Robin George

Mike personally thanked and introduced the Board of Officers for all of their efforts to help make 2016 a successful year for SAMOA:

Jackie McClure, Vice President

Jackie was not able to attend tonight’s meeting.

Jeanne George, Treasurer

Jeanne stated that we have over \$100 left in the treasury. Please email Jeanne if you are interested in receiving an end-of-the-year statement.

Barry Cowan, Events Coordinator

- Barry mentioned the following upcoming events/runs:

January 12, 2017: Please welcome in the New Year by joining the newly elected SAMOA Board of Officers at the January 12, 2017 meeting at Black Bear Diner, 2700 El Centro Road, Sacramento. The meeting will start at 7:00 p.m., but please come an hour earlier to join everyone for an informal dinner or other refreshments. You will hear about the upcoming calendar of events, hear the latest club news, and more.

February 5, 2017: Join Ron Petrich for a Super Bowl run to Napa. This event will be rain or shine. Meet at the AM/PM Minimart in Winters. The loop via SR128/SR121/Silverado Trail and SR128 is about 94 miles round trip. The run will include a stop at the Soda Canyon Store in Napa for a restroom break and/or snack, and stop for lunch or a snack at the Round Table Pizza in Winters. For more info, please contact Ron at freescoopedad@comcast.net, (916) 454-1008.

Marlaina Wilson, Secretary

- Marlaina stated she was pleased to serve as this year's SAMOA Secretary.

Michelle Thomas, Newsletter Editor

- Michelle thanked members for their articles for the newsletter.

Mike gave a round of applause and shared his appreciation for all of Ron's hard work and keeping up a great club website.

Mike also expressed heartfelt thanks and appreciation to Finance committee members Rod Gonzalez and Michele Nanjo.

Also, and most of all, Mike thanked the club members who take time out of their lives to support and promote SAMOA.

Mike reported that the December 3 SAMOA Holiday Party at Jackson Catering was enjoyed by all in attendance. He shared his appreciation for Jackie who arranged the holiday celebration.

Mike encouraged members to plan runs or visit the website for ideas about runs that have been previously held.

Tonight is an important night as it is also our annual business meeting.

First on the agenda was recognition for the members' participation throughout the year. Robin handed out 2017 SAMOA calendars to those who helped contribute to the club during 2016.

Robin stated the following members are interested in the Board of Officers positions for 2017:

- President: Robin George
- Vice President: Renee Araiza
- Treasurer: Jeanne George
- Events Coordinator: Norm Swanberg
- Secretary: Michele Nanjo
- Newsletter Editor: Jennifer Sipe

Ron Petrich will also continue to serve as the club's Webmaster.

A motion to suspend term limits beyond two years was made, seconded, and approved by the members. There were no oppositions to the parties' interests in becoming the Board of Officers for 2017 and all were voted in.

The 2017 Officers present took the "oath of office."

Some members in attendance at tonight's meeting shared some stories:

- Skip shared how five years ago he and Renee met at a port and chocolate event. They have been extremely happy ever since.
- Chris Christainson and Diana Loo shared a joke and a story about their most recent cruise experience.

The raffle was held.

The meeting was adjourned.