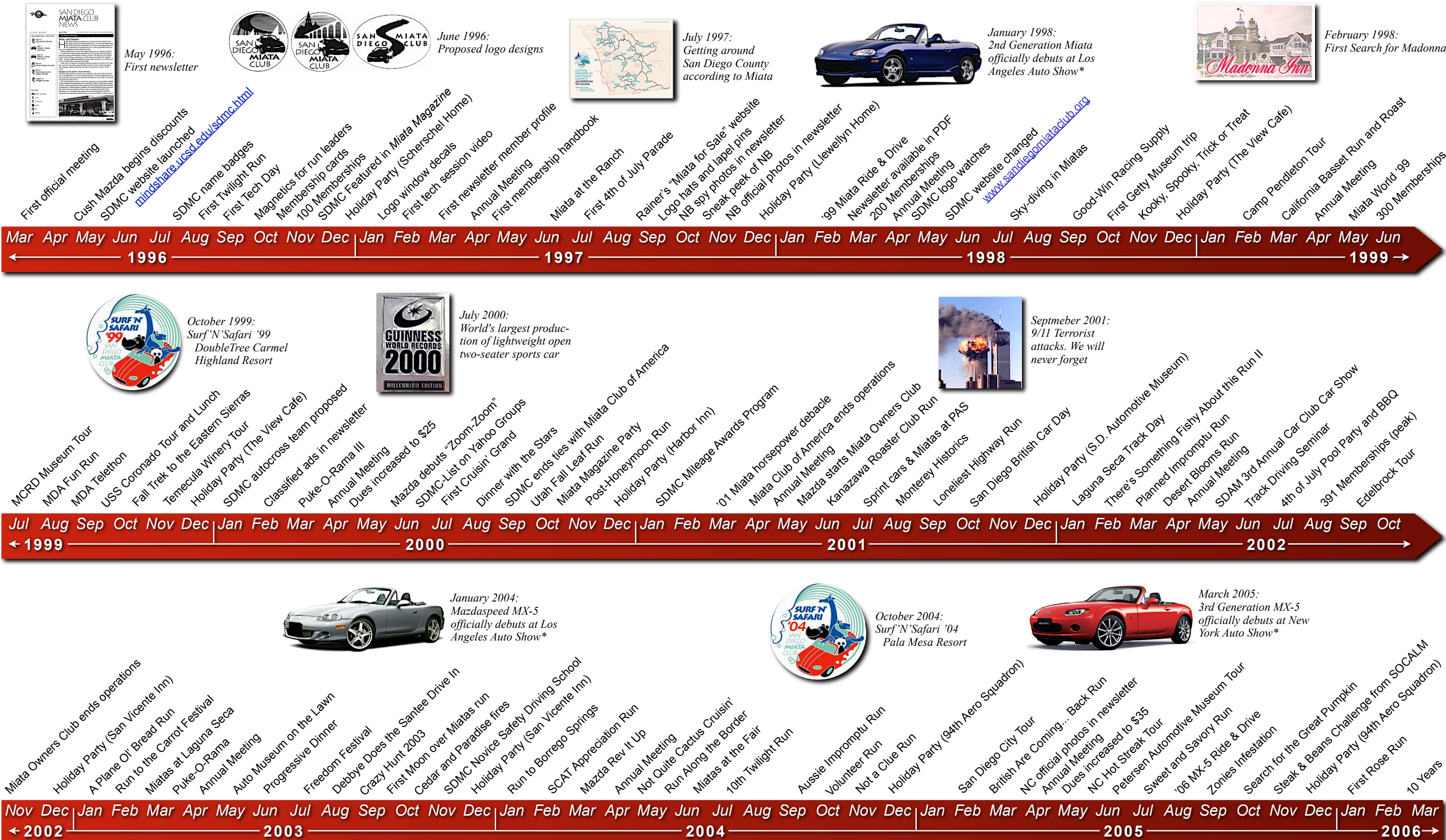


San Diego Miata Club 10 Years of Roadster Fun in the Sun



*North America debut

Timeline represents a small sampling of SDMC's events and milestones. Dates are approximate.

Meet the founding members

Tony & Mary Beecher

Miata(s) owned: 1990 Classic Red “B” package, with a hardtop. (Now owned by Anthony Wilde in Las Vegas.)

Club positions: Mary, Treasurer (1996-1997); Tony, Treasurer (1997-1998)

Favorite event: Our favorite Miata event was in the early years at Gold Rush, but I think that precedes SDMC. The Miata at the Ranch in Solvang was a blast.

Favorite moment: Tony: Trying to keep up with Rainer on Couser Canyon. Mary: Riding in Rainer’s Miata through Couser Canyon. Both: Helping out Lou and Ruth Stark after they lost their house to the La Costa fire.

Tony and Mary are no longer members of the club. We thank them for replying to our request.

Mark Booth

Miata(s) owned: Cathy and I have owned two Miatas. The first was a 1992 Classic Red “B” package. Our second Miata is the current 2001 Classic Red LS. Both Miatas were/are heavily modified.

Club positions: President (1996-1998); Membership Dude (1998-2000); Events Coordinator (2005+)

Favorite event: It is difficult to nail down a favorite event because there have been so many. But, I’d have to say that SDMC’s presence at our first National Miata Event is near the top. Our first National Event as a newly founded club was Moss Motors’s Miata at the Ranch in June of 1997. SDMC dominated that event, both in numbers and enthusiasm. Other favorite events are Miata’s 10th Birthday Bash in Texas in 1999 (SDMC dominated again!), both SDMC Surf ‘N’ Safari events (1999 and 2004), and the Waid’s Search for Madonna weekend.



Mary & Tony Beecher

Favorite moment: I have three favorite moments. The first was watching Vicky Krueger imitate the “Butter Lady” at 1997’s Miata at the Ranch. Next would be watching Art Hamilton sing “Georgia” (Karaoke), complete with a backup chorus line of SDMC ladies, at 1998’s Moss Motors’ Event (Miatas and British cars together for that one). And, third, was being presented with a recognition trophy and a custom SDMC logo artwork (signed by many members) at SDMC’s second annual meeting (the end of my first term as President). The trophy and signed logo artwork still adorn my den, and I’ll treasure them forever.

Robert “JTBob” Holland

Miata(s) owned: I’ve owned just one. I got a Classic Red 1992 Miata “A” package in October of 1992. I’ve been updating her ever since, and have been autocrossing her regularly since 1993. My wife, Carol, owns a White 1995 Miata “R” package. It’s funny how the love of cars and our passion for autocrossing brought us together!

Club positions: Club Webmaster (1996-2004); Newsletter Editor (1996-1997); E-mail Postmaster (1999-2004)

Favorite event: Hmm, I’d have to say the Twilight Runs have been my favorite. Good roads and good scenery. Plus, watching a huge line of Miatas going towards the setting sun is hard to beat.

Favorite moment: I think the first Surf ‘N’ Safari was my favorite moment. Our club had worked so long and hard on putting our first ever regional event together. And it went perfectly. I thought the dinner banquet was the crowning achievement for the club.

“Voodoo” Bob Krueger

Miata(s) owned: Only my current 1991 “French racing” (Mariner) Blue A package

Club positions: Membership Director (1996-1998); Name Badges (1996-1999); Vice President (1997-2000); Newslet-



Robert & Carol Holland

ter Copy Editor; Newsletter Proofreader.

Favorite event: My favorite club (local) event has been the Puke-O-Rama.

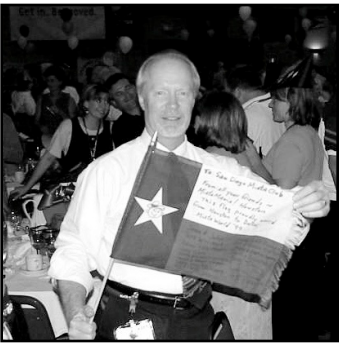
Favorite moment: That would probably be the national event in Buellton, Miata at the Ranch (and yes, the official title was singular).

Rainer & Marianne Mueller

Miata(s) owned: 1995 White base; 2001 British Racing Green SE

Club positions: Vice President (1997-1998); President (1998-1999); Autocross coordinator (1998-1999).

Rainer and Marianne were not available for comment.



Bob Krueger



Marianne & Rainer Mueller

Cindy Paloma

Miata(s) owned: 1992 Crystal White “B” package; 2004 Velocity Red Mazdaspeed

Club positions: Vice President (1996-1997); E-mail Postmaster (1996-1999)

Cindy was not available for comment.



Cindy Paloma

Ruth & Lou Stark

Miata(s) owned: I bought my first 1990 Classic Red Miata back in September 1989, but did not get it until November because of the backlog. I purchased a Classic Red 2004 in December 2004, and sold my old Miata to a friend back in Texas where it is still going strong.

Club positions: Ruth, Secretary/Events Coordinator (1996-1997)

Favorite event: Our favorite event is probably the 10th anniversary event in Dallas, where we got to see old friends, and make some very good new friends on the way there and back. Also, I really enjoyed the driving schools and track events over the years.

Favorite moment: My favorite moment has to be the time I lost the Miata group and tried to catch up while racing a motorcyclist up Palomar Mountain. A more memorable and emotional moment was when we received a commemorative stone from our friends at SDMC when we were rebuilding our new home after the fire.

Woody Woodhouse

Miata(s) owned: My 1995 Classic Red PEP is the first and only Miata I have owned. It replaced a Datsun 240Z that I had driven for 25 years and 250,000 miles. Currently, the Miata only has 120 odd thousand miles on it, and is far from ready to be replaced.

Club positions: I was the SDMC representative to the San Diego Automotive Museum Car Club Council for several years.

Favorite event: My favorite events have been the automotive event related ones: The Monterey Historic Races, Petersen Museum tours, Coronado races, and the driving class Larry put on at the Stadium. I also really enjoyed the Palomar Observatory runs and, always, Mark and Cathy’s Twilight Run.

Favorite moment: It’s hard to pick a specific moment or happening, but one of my favorite memories is of one of the early Monterey runs: Trying to keep up with JT and Voodoo Bob on Highway One through Big Sur—a great run in any car, but magical in a Miata.



Ruth and Lou Stark



Woody Woodhouse