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# Member Profile—Art Hamilton

### **Kelley Raymond**

rt Hamilton saw his first Miata in a 1989 ad in Road & Track magazine and was immediately mesmerized by the car that wasn't even in showrooms yet. The next time he saw one, it was turning slowly on a raised platform at a car show in Golden Hall in downtown San Diego, and he knew...he wanted one, badly.

But so did everyone else, it seemed. Art found himself on waiting lists at dealerships all over town, and he waited. And waited. And waited. The only people who were driving the instantly-popular sports car had paid the premium price demanded by the sizzling market. Finally, weary from waiting, Art gave up.

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Fortunately, the Miata gods hadn't given up on Art. A co-worker had to go out of town and asked Art to take care of his Miata; specifically, he wanted Art to drive it while he was gone. Destiny ensured that, after that first time behind the wheel, Art was captivated once more. The only warning that the co-worker gave Art was a classic

lament, "Don't buy a red one. I've already gotten 4 speeding tickets!"

Art bought a 1993 Brilliant Black Miata in September of 1992 and joined SOCALM, which was the only Miata club in the area at the time. Not long after, Art became involved with the group of San Diego enthusiasts who would eventually form the SDMC.

The most important lesson Art learned on his first run was a common experience for new Miata owners: don't drive faster than your comfort level, especially on the twisties. However, with experience and learning what your car is capable of, the twisties become joyfully irresistible. San Diego provides the ultimate combination of twisty roads and consistently moderate weather that is perfect for our Miatas.



Art in Moab Utah, May 2007. Photo by Bud Young

In 1999, Mazda sponsored a meeting at its Research & Development Center in Irvine to talk with local club members about the introduction of the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary edition Miata. The Mazda representative handed out brochures with detailed information about the car and all the goodies that came with it, like the set of his and her watches. a model of the AE Miata, a Miata key chain and a Certificate of Authenticity with the Mazda MX-5 Miata 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Model car number on it. Art got that same feeling that he did when he saw his first Miata at Golden Hall. He knew he had to have one. His car is number 868 of the 7,500 Sapphire Blue Mica cars made, and it sports a Veteran's license plate with the Marine Corps emblem, and reads

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#### On the web

www.sandiegomiataclub.org

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#### Club e-mail

Most club communication is conducted via e-mail through a Yahoo Group named SDMC-List. A free Yahoo account is required. Follow these steps to join.

- Go to http://autos.groups.yahoo.com/ group/SDMC-List (capitalization matters!).
- 2. Click "Join This Group!"
- If you have a Yahoo account, log in. If you do not, click "Sign Up" and follow the instructions.
- 4. After logging in, you will be returned to the SDMC-List "Join This Group" page.
- 5. In "Comment to Owner," state that you are an SDMC member.
- 6. Complete remaining selections, perform Word Verification, and click the "Join" button.
- Your SDMC membership will be verified. The verification and approval process may take several days.

For more detailed instructions, see the club's website.

#### **Membership roster**

The membership roster is available to SDMC members only. Follow these steps to access the roster.

- 1. Go to http://autos.groups.yahoo.com/ group/SDMC-List.
- 2. Log in and click "Database"
- 3. Click on the most current table in the tables list
- 4. To print, click "Printable Report." The printed copy will be 15–20 pages.

For more detailed instructions and options, see the club's web site.

# **Membership Information**

### **New Members**

As of October 15, 2007 there are 251 memberships (86 single, 165 dual) and a total of 416 members.

Welcome to newest memberships - 2 (since last newsletter):

Maurice & Bonnie Boekeloo Menifee

2007 Galaxy Grey saintjoseph@msn.com

Sue & Steve Royce San Diego

2001 Midnight Blue sueroyce@crescentdesign.com

### **Monthly Meetings**

Our monthly meetings are a great except in November and Decem- fun. ber when we meet on the third Thursday.

We meet at the Boll Weevil restaurant, 9330 Clairemont Mesa This month's meeting Blvd., in San Diego (between I-15 date: and SR 163). To contact the restaurant, call 858-571-6225.

Many members arrive around 6 opportunity to meet your fellow club p.m. to enjoy meals, snacks, or bevmembers, ask questions, and share erages while chatting with their Miata stories. Meetings are held on the friends. The informal meeting starts fourth Thursday of each month, at 7 p.m. We guarantee you'll have

Thursday, November 15

### Who's next?

If you would like to have your profile published in *Twists & Turns*, call Kelley Raymond at 619-846-3784 or send e-mail to kray63@yahoo.com.

To preview the list of questions Kelley uses to start her interviews. visit SDMC's web site (www.sandiegomiataclub.org), click the link "Club and Car Info," then the link "Member Profile Sheet."

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### Dues

Dues are \$35 per calendar year, for either an individual or a dual membership (two members in the same household). Members who join the club in the first half of the calendar year (January through June) pay \$35 for their first year; those who join in the second half of the year pay \$20 for the remainder of the year.

### **Badges**

Have you noticed those engraved plastic name badges that other members wear? Would you like to get one?

Badges are available in colors to match your car. The cost is \$10 each for badges with safety-pin closures, or \$11 each for badges with magnetic fasteners. Prices include shipping to your home.

Sue Hinkle handles the ordering. Badge request forms are available at the Regalia table at monthly meetings and on the club's web site. All orders must be prepaid.



### **Our Mission**

The purpose of the club is to promote the enjoyment of, and enthusiasm for, one of the world's most exciting sports cars—the Mazda Miata.

Owning and driving a Miata is one of life's great pleasures, and adding the company and camaraderie of like-minded enthusiasts only enhances the experience. Won't you join the fun as we enjoy the beauty of San Diego County from the seat of a very special little roadster?

Let's have fun driving our Miatas!

# **Coming Events**

# Palms to Pines 3rd Annual run to Palm Springs

Saturday & Sunday, November 17 & 18 9:30 AM

**Meeting Place:** North county Fair Mall parking lot, west side (west of Sears) under the big sign next to the frwy.

Contact: Chip Kushner 619-887-5916 ckushner@ibchipster.com

Run to Palm Springs Saturday morning, lunch in Palm Springs and Car Show Sarurday afternoon. Breakfast

Sunday morning and return to San Diego at leisure. More details to come.



# The Prez Sez

### HAROLD SCHWARTZ, PRESIDENT

hope everyone is enjoying our fall weather, though it would be nice to get some rain, maybe during the week and have sunny and clear weekends. With our nice weather I would like to encourage some of our newer members to plan a run for the club. As you know, this is how you earn the magnetic signs for your car and, until the end of December, you can also get a free copy of Mark Booth's famous SDMC video. I know I enjoy watching mine.

If you feel you would like to try putting together a run but you're just not sure how to go about then check out some of the great information on our website. Still don't think you have "the right Stuff", and then contact some of the members who have done runs before and get some tips and pointers on how to put together a successful run. As an added challenge, I was a member for only six months when I put one together and by the time it was

over I had made many new friends here in the club. It also gave the members a chance to get to know me. So see if you can beat my time.

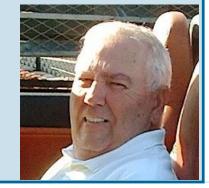
I'm sure if you ask you will find plenty of people willing to mentor you on your first event. Remember, it is up to the members to make things happen, so get up, get out and make something happen for SDMC.

Looking forward to seeing you all on the road and at the next meeting and we'll have

our quarterly board meeting at the conclusion of the November general meeting.

Be careful out there,

Harold Schwartz



# **Coming Events**

# "Scrabble for Scholarships"

A Rally for Scholarships Nov. 4, 2007

Start time: 10:00 AM at Westfield North County, Escondido

### Event includes:

Driving, great roads, competition, trophies, prizes – and some great Mexican food! The San Diego Miata Club is sponsoring a Scrabble Road Rally, open to all comers, in support of scholar-ships.

### Scrabble?:

Yes, each participant (1 per car) will get Scrabble pieces and will be able to get more at each Checkpoint! Winners will be the ones making the word(s) for the highest point total (from a list). Prizes and trophies for the winners! "Door" prizes will also be given!

### Entry fee:

\$40.00: per driver entry into rally, rally t-shirt and dinner (a good portion will be for the scholar-ships). For passengers and other non-drivers, \$20.00 for dinner and \$5.00 for t-shirts.

### Destination:

The rally will end at Cocina del Charo in Escondido in the late afternoon where an early dinner, awards and raffle will take place.

### Registration:

Registrations forms are available on the website <a href="www.SanDiegoMiataClub.org">www.SanDiegoMiataClub.org</a>. Register as soon as possible as it will be first come, first served. . .as there are limited slots!

Contact person: Maryanne Garon at dmgaron@cox.net or (760) 747-1115.

# **SDMC Holiday Party**

Saturday, December 8th
The Butcher Shoppe Restaurant
5255 Kearny Villa Road, San Diego 92123

Reception/Cocktails from 6 to 7 PM, Dinner at 7 PM \$35 per person

entrée choice of PRIME RIB, MAHI MAHI FILET, OR CHICKEN OSCAR

### Deadline for paid RSVP is Nov. 30th

Mail or give your check to Ray or Christine Corbyons 32271 Fireside Drive, Temecula CA92592

Members are invited to participate in the "Traditional SDMC Gift Exchange and Thievery". Bring a car related gift valued about \$25.

We will be limiting the gift exchange to one gift per car, and two "steals" per gift.

Participation is voluntary; laughter is guaranteed!



# Car Guy Overload

### **Steve Waid**

went with the San Diego Miata Club to the first Coronado Speed Festival ten years ago. I was hooked the first day. I have told people that this event is the greatest car event that San Diego has to offer. It is truly "car guy overload". You cannot possibly see it all because there is so much going on all of the time. Each year the event gets bigger.

With nine vintage car race groups (one more than previous years), there are cars on the 1.6 mile course virtually all of the time. Because there are practices in the mornings and racing in the afternoon everyone has a chance to see these cars in action. There is also the opportunity to walk into the pits and see the cars up close and talk with the drivers and mechanics. Open seating allows you to try several different vantage points around the track during the two days. I think the best way to describe this event is merely tell you how I spent my time.

On Saturday morning Laurie and I drove two cars down to Tartines to meet up with other SDMC members and friends. The purpose, besides getting something good to eat, was to ensure that anyone who hadn't gotten a Car Club Corral Pass could have one. Each year Meguiars Car Care Products sponsors the Car Club Corral. Car clubs are encouraged to come and park in the corral behind the main grandstands as another display of cars to the general public. There were well over a thousand car club cars on display during the two days. This year there seemed to be more Corvettes and Porsches than in previous years, but you could find just about anything represented, including our favorite sports car.

2007 also sported the second annual car show



within the corral. Laurie and I registered to show Obi Waid (flamed Blazing Yellow Mica 2002 Miata) and our 1986 Buick Grand National. Other SDMC members that participated in the car show with their Miatas were Mark and Cathy Booth, Daryled and Carlan Brystol, Art Hamilton, and Wally Stevens. Kit and Steve Licata brought their Ford SVTOA called "Big Gulp" because of its pension for guzzling gas. "Big Gulp" was a trophy winner in it's class for the second year in a row.

A work friend of mine, Larry, joined us at Tartine's and hung out with us most of the weekend. He brought his 600HP blown 1991 Z28 Camaro and entered it in the car show.

After arriving and getting the cars all set up for the car show, Larry and I walked over to the pits to see as many of the vintage racers as we could. This is a dynamic environment as there are cars headed out to the grid to get their practice in, and cars returning from their practice session. The sounds are a car guy's delight. I dragged Larry over to the grandstands along side the grid telling him that we had to be there to hear them "fire up their engines" before they went out to practice.

Then it was back to the car show area to "scope out" our competition. Larry was unfortunate in that there were 3 really nice Camaros that would be judged against his car in the Camaro Class. So far, our Grand National was the only Buick, so it was looking like we would trophy by just being there. That, in fact, was what happened.

After a little time watching some groups practice it was time to hit the food vendors. Laurie and I grabbed a couple of brats and headed back to our cars where we had chairs and visited with those that did the same thing.

The afternoon was spent watching the racing. This is where the racers are trying for their best lap times as this is how the starting order is determined for Sunday. We snuck over to the car show awards ceremonies and then headed back to the grand-stands.

Several club members joined Wally Stevens, who organized a dinner at Tent City after the last race. This is one of my favorite restaurants which I seem to get to once a year. It was a long day in the sun, but I was really looking forward to Sunday and more of the same.

The big difference between Saturday and Sun-

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day is that there is just MORE of everything on Sunday. More cars in the Car Club Corral...more cars in the car show...more people...more Navy fly-overs...and the racing is more intense. The last race of the day (Historic Grand-am cars from the late 60's and early 70's) was terrific. Coming past the grandstands to start the last lap there were 6 cars nose to tail going down the straight. As they came through the esses leading up to the final turn to the finish line the bunch caught up with five slower cars. The last quarter mile showed six cars looking for space around the slow traffic and room to accelerate past their competition. The results were determined by less than a car length, and I'm still not sure who won.

But it really doesn't matter because I know that I was really the winner. I always win at this event. Now I have to wait a whole year to do it again.

Photos by Steve Waid





# Don't Forget to Save the Date:

## 21st Annual Christmas Cruise for Kids Sunday, December 9th

7:30 Meet
7:45 AM depart, show is 8 AM - 2 PM
Meet at
Park & Ride, Vista Sorrento Parkway
(just North of Mira Mesa Blvd. & I-805)

Contact: Mike Schwartz 858-549-4344 <u>chevymike@ucsd.edu</u>





### Member Profile—Art Hamilton

XAE.

Fast forward to December of 2005. Unfortunately, Art's 1993 Miata met with an untimely demise during a tango with a catering truck. Fortunately, although the car was totaled, Art was unscathed. He planned to buy a 2006 to replace it, but started hearing rumors that Mazda was planning to introduce a power retractable hard top model, so he waited. When the rumors were confirmed, he got that same feeling once more – he knew he had to have another Miata. His 2007 Copper Red PRHT also has a Veteran's plate with the Marine Corps emblem, and reads PRHT.

Art has lived in the San Diego area, on and off, since 1953. Like many others, the military was responsible for bringing him here. He was born in Charleston, SC but raised mostly in New York City. Since most of his family still lives on the east coast and he visits them frequently, Art gets to enjoy the best of both worlds. His adopted daughter, Heather, lives in San Diego with her husband and two children.

After graduating from high school, Art joined the Marines. He completed boot camp at Parris Island, SC then went to Korea and Japan for 18 months. When he returned stateside, he was stationed at Camp Lejeune, NC. While there, Art joined the Force Recon. Next, he went to Panama for additional training before being sent back to the Far East for about 14 months.

After that, Art was assigned to Camp Pendleton with the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division for 2 years, then transferred to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Marine Division at Camp Lejeune. A couple of years later, he was assigned to recruiting duty in Charlottesville, VA where, during his 3 year tenure, he was nominated as Recruiter of the Month twice and Recruiter of the Year once.

Next, Art was reassigned to the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division. He then returned to Parris Island for drill instructor school. He stayed on as a Drill Instructor for the next 3 years. After that, it was back to the 2<sup>nd</sup> After retiring from the Marine Division for a Mediterranean cruise (not the Princess or Carnival kind, either!), for 6 months, and then back to Camp Lejeune for a year and a half stint in the infantry.

One of Art's favorite duties was his next assignment, State Department Duty, during which he got to live and work as a member of the Marine Security Guard detachment for the American embassy in Paris, France. He enjoyed meeting dignitaries and attending formal affairs at the embassy. After 2



years, he was once more returned to Camp Lejeune.

When Art served in Vietnam in 1967 and '68, it was his second tour. He was actually sent in the place of one of his younger brothers. His brother was supposed to be sent, but Art managed to get himself assigned to Vietnam and his brother sent to a less dangerous assignment in Okinawa, Japan. Art was in Vietnam until shortly after the Tet Offensive, then returned to Camp Pendleton as an instructor at Advanced Infantry for a year and a half.

During his service, Art had pulled duty with the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Air Wing (MAW), the 3<sup>rd</sup> MAW, and with the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Marine Divisions. He was meritoriously promoted 3 times, and attained the rank of Master Gunnery Sergeant after 18 years in the Corp. Art retired in 1983 after serving in the Marine Corp for 30 years!

In keeping with one of the Corps' slogans, "once a Marine, always a Marine," Art can still do one-armed push ups and still wears his same evening dress uniform to one of the Marine Corps birthday balls each year. This is even more impressive if you know that one of Art's favorite foods is ice cream! His training as a Physical Fitness Coordinator in the Marines must be serving him well.

After retiring from the Marines, Art went to work for UCSD in the Telecommunications Department. He eventually ended up also retiring from UCSD after 20 years of service!

Art has kept busy after all that "retiring" with one of his favorite hobbies, competitive and recreational shooting. When he and his brother were kids, they used to go hunting in up state New York for squirrels and rabbits, or they would shoot at targets like bottles and cans. His superior marksmanship enabled

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him to serve as a sniper for the Marine Corp for a while during his military career. At Camp Pendleton, retirees are allowed to use the firearm facilities on the weekend and Art goes often to practice. He is also a member of two gun clubs and practices at the police firing range that is close to his house.

He has shared his knowledge and ability to teach groups of Boy Scouts about firearms and gun safety. Art also volunteers at the VA Hospital, visiting and talking with injured troops, trying to cheer them up. He also helps visiting family members get around San Diego.

Some of Art's other hobbies include deep sea fishing, skydiving, hunting (deer and wild turkeys, mostly), and coin collecting. As busy as he has been, he also managed to work in attaining his MBA from SDSU in 1989.

Several Club members share something in common with Art... an entire room devoted to Miata memorabilia. Posters, lots and lots of pictures, model cars, and plenty of SDMC regalia. There are several mementos from one of Art's Miata highlights, going to Dallas in 1999 for the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, where he got to drive his car on the Texas Motor Speedway. He also enjoys going to the races at Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca every year. This year was the first time that Art went with the SDMC to Moab, Utah, and had a great time.

He and former SDMC member Jerry Cisinski cosponsored a joint fun run and tour of Camp Pendleton with SOCALM members in February, 1999. Attendees got to tour the museum, see the L-CAC, and had dinner at the Officers' Club. Then, Art led the group on a driving tour of the base, complete with a military police escort so they didn't have to stop at the traffic lights, explaining the different regiments and ranges (artillery, bombing, etc.) along the way. The event was very well attended, and he was actually surprised by the number of people who had never been on the base before. At that time, the base was open to the public. (Since 9/11, public access to local military bases has been substantially restricted.) Art also arranged a tour of MCRD for the SDMC. They visited the military museum there, and then everyone followed him on a run up to the Cabrillo National Monument and the Old Point Loma Lighthouse.

Art has also set a couple of SDMC records. He led the first SDMC *overnight* run, to Laughlin, Nevada in 1997. He also helped Phil Daoust lead a run to Borrego Springs in 1998 in which **84 cars** participated, the highest attendance to-date. Art served as a VP of SOCALM before the San Diego Miata Club was formed. He often lends a much-appreciated helping hand with events like Surf 'N Safari in 1999 and 2004, and with other events such as parades and car shows.

Photos by Kelley Raymond



# Where are they now? Catching up with former members Jim & Laurie Patton

#### Les Smith

was a breakfast guest of Jim and Laurie Patton the Sunday morning of Labor Day weekend. (You remember "SLVA CAH" don't you?) They were transferred by the Navy to Columbus, Ohio in November, 2006 where Jim is the Director of Customer Operations, Maritime at the Defense Supply Center, Columbus. Laurie works as a contracting officer, same place, but for the Aviation detachment.

Jim and Laurie bought a beautiful, 110-year-old Victorian home just a jump off a freeway in one of Columbus's numerous historical neighborhoods ... and they're continuing its restoration. The surrounding brick streets are narrow and lined with tall Linden and Elm trees. The neighborhood is adjacent to one of the highlights of Downtown Columbus, known as the Short North, so less than a mile walking distance to galleries, antique stores, over 50 restaurants, and three -- count them, THREE wine bars! In addition, the Patton's house itself is only 2-3 blocks, from a coffee house café (that delivers) and a wine bar. Can you say "stumble home!?"

The Pattons have also become grandparents since leaving San Diego. Elyndil Storm Patton was born in November 4, 2006 and is relatively close by in Rockford, Illinois, an hour and a half away by the new Skybus Airlines (\$10 tickets!) So they get to see her (oh and the kids too) every couple months.

SLVA CA keeps residence in a garage on the back of their lot built before 1901; an extension has since been added to accommodate post-1950 length vehicles, but the truck still doesn't fit.

Jim and Laurie have connected with the Columbus-based Buckeye Miata club; they even have a great run planned over the rolling hills of central and southern Ohio ... a route on which speeds probably won't exceed 50 mph. On the corners, that is. The roads are not as curvy as San Diego, but the country-side sure is pretty. Joining any new Miata club involves change. For instance, that group refers to



The Pattons' 110 year old home.

Photo by Les Smith

OTMs are SOBs: some other brands! And a good deal of club time is spent on autocross and the Buckeye Bullet. But fortunately some things never change; every run or meeting is proceeded by or followed by, yup, you guessed it, EATING!









# **Member Discounts**

any vendors offer discounts to Miata Club members. The club does not endorse these vendors, but lists them as a membership benefit. Some offers may require you to show a current SDMC membership card.

Businesses that wish to be listed must offer a discount from their normal retail prices to SDMC members. Listings are limited to five lines (about 30-35 words). Contact *newsletter* @sandiegomiataclub.org for more information.

#### **Automotive Services**

**Allen's Wrench.** Mazda Master Technician. 1620 Grand Avenue, San Marcos. 760-744-1192. Discount: 10% (except oil changes).

American Battery. Miata batteries & all other batteries. 525 West Washington, Escondido. 760-746-8010. Contact: Jeff Hartmayer. Discount: Fleet discount on all products.

**Express Tire**. Auto repair, tires. 12619 Poway Road, Poway. 858-748-6330. Manager: David Dolan. Discount: 10% on parts and labor, including tires.

**Geri's Bazaar**. Custom deck bags, boot bags, travel bags. Maximize the space in your trunk. Contact: Geri Causarano. 828-400-1673. *www.geris-bazaar.com*. Substantial savings to club members.

**Good-Win Racing LLC.** Miata intakes, exhausts, shocks, springs, & goodies from Racing Beat, Moss, and more. *www.goodwinracing.com.* 858-775-2810. Special club price on everything.

**Hawthorne Wholesale Tire**. Tires, wheels, brakes, and suspension. 877 Rancheros Dr., San Marcos. 760-746-6980. Discount: 10%

**Just Dings Ltd**. Mobile paintless dent removal. 858-569-3464. Discount: 15%

**Kesler Customs**. Miata chassis braces, adjustable dead pedals, hide-away license plate brackets. Installation of aftermarket parts, fabrication, light welding. Ted Kesler, 619-421-8472. Special club prices.

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Langka Corp. Guaranteed paint chip and scratch repair system. Cleaning, detailing, and restoration products. 800-945-4532. www.langka.com. Discount: 30%.

**Larry Dennstedt's Auto Repair**. 4283 41st Street, San Diego. 619-284-4911. Discount: 10% on labor.

**Lutz Tire & Service**. Alignment specialist, tires. 2853 Market Street, San Diego. 619-234-3535. Ask for Mike. Discount: 10% on parts (tires not included).

Magnolia Auto Body. Restorations, body work. 476 West Main Street, El Cajon. 619-562-7861. Ask for T.J. Discount: 10% on labor and parts.

Porterfield Enterprises Ltd. Brake pads, rotors. 1767 Placentia Ave., Costa Mesa. 949-548-4470. Discount: 15% on Porter-field & Hawk brake pads; \$10 off rotors; \$9.25 for Motul 600 brake fluid (1 pint).

**Smog Squad**. 3342 Rosecrans, San Diego. 619-223-8806. General Manager: Jose Munoz. Discount: \$10 on smog tests.

**Thompson Automotive**. Cool accessories for our cool cars; oil filter relocation kits, gauge kits, air horns, brakes, Voodoo knobs, & MORE. *www.thompson-automotive.com.* 949-366-0322. Discount: 10%

**Tri-City Paint**. Professional detailing, products, paint, airbrushes, car covers. West Miramar Area: 858-909-2100; Santee, Mission Gorge: 619-448-9140. Discount: Body shop pricing #CM6660.

WheelStore. Wheels, tires, suspension, alignment. 208 S. Coast Hwy., Oceanside. 760-967-1336. Contact: Joe Jordan. Discount: Wholesale price on tires; \$10 off alignments.

World Famous Car Wash. Complete professional car care. Complete detail, hand wax, leather treatment, free shuttle service. 7215 Clairemont Mesa Blvd, San Diego. 858-495-9274. Discount: 10%

### **Mazda Dealerships**

**Chapman Mazda**. Phoenix. 877-684-5803. Ask for John Mardueno. Discount: 20% on Mazda parts and accessories.

**Mazda El Cajon**. 619-442-7050. Discount: 20% on Mazda parts; 10-20% on accessories.

**Mazda of Escondido.** 760-737-3200. Discount: 20% on most parts; 15% on labor (not including smog certification).

**Westcott Mazda**. National City. 619-474-1591. Discount: 25% on parts or labor (except oil changes).

### **Other Services**

**Alarm 2000**. Residential and commercial alarm installations and monitoring. Free equipment with 2-way voice & free install. Buffy

Hergenrader, 619-221-0948. *buffy@iopener* .net. Discount: No connection fee.

Coldwell Banker Real Estate. David T. Bryan, Realtor. 619-334-4625. david-bryan@coldwellbanker.com. Free market analysis. No transaction fees for SDMC members or referrals!

**Linsco Private Ledger**. Fee-based planner. Wealth management, estate, retirement, and investment planning. Free consultation and 15% discount on all fees. Hernan Hooker, BCE. 619-542-0822.

Rosin & Associates. Attorneys at law. Accidents, insurance issues, general civil law. No recovery, no fee. Anita Rosin, anita.rosin@rosinlaw.com. 619-543-9600. Discount: 10% on attorneys fees.

# Classifieds

**S2000,** 19,200 miles, all recalls performed, optional factory wind blocker, 2000 miles on Yokohama AVS-ES 100. 2nd owner for 3 years. Garaged, covered and NO RAIN - Wife says the extra red car has to go. \$18,500/OBO Rick Keach 619 702 8077

1992 B, Red, Automatic
98k miles Kesler chassis braces
Toyo T1s TSW AVUS R polished 15" wheelsMoss leather seats w/prforated eadrests/
speakers Autopower rollbar w/leather padding
Miata mudguards and sill plates Bra and boot
Title, tags through January 2008 hotos available upon request. Owner: Desiree Herrera
(email herrera438@yahoo.com)

**Buying or selling** your Miata or Miata accessories? You can do it for free on Miatamart—the Miata for Sale web site, run by SDMC member Rainer Mueller. Check it out at <a href="https://www.miatamart.com">www.miatamart.com</a>.

#### **Announcements**

Classified ad space is provided at no cost to SDMC members only. Ads must include first and last names, telephone number, and e-mail address, which must agree with current club roster.

Send ads to newsletter@ sandiegomiataclub.org. Ads will run for four months unless canceled, and may be revised and resubmitted.

Postage

Address

NOVEMBER 2007						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
4 SCRABBLE FOR SCHOLARSHIPS	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15 Monthly Meeting	16	17 RUN TO PALM SPRINGS
18 Run to Palm Springs	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

DECEMBER 2007						
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8 Holiday Party
9 CRUISE FOR KIDS	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 Monthly Meeting	21	22
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DATE	EVENT	Тіме	Меет	CONTACT
Sunday 11/4	Scrabble for Scholarships	10 AM	Westfield North County (details pg. 5)	Maryanne Garon 760-747-1115
Thursday 11/15	Monthly Meeting 3rd Thurs due to Thanksgiving!	6:00 PM eat 7 PM Meeting	Boll Weevil 9330 Clairemont Mesa Blvd. San Diego (between I-15 & SR 163).	Any Board Member
Sat/Sun 11/17-18	Run to Palm Springs	9:30 am	North County Fair Parking Lot	Chip Kushner
Friday 11/30	RSVP due for Holiday Party		See mailing instructions inside	Christine Corbyons