



# TWISTS & TURNS

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## Coastal Cruise 2008

Diane Foster and Jim Lyon

*“Neither snow nor sleet nor icy roads” could keep 3 members of the SDMC from their “appointed tasks” of meeting up with 28 or so San Joaquin Valley Miata Club members early Sat. Morning, Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>.*

Now, rain, and sleet were some of the hardships facing the trio from San Diego. Now, the Yellow tails driven by Steve and Laurie Waid and Dennis and Maryanne Garon started off the trip with their tops up but ‘Rosie’ skippered by this author with Jim Lyon as crew, went topless. That all changed as the trio neared and climbed the Cajon Pass and the rains came. Then the Sleet!! Then the Snow!! It was nip and tuck as the threesome climbed above snow level and the “Three Amigos” breathed a sigh of relief as they summited the pass, before chain requirements went into effect. Heading down to connect to I-395 North and then to 58 West, we passed Edwards Air Force Base and finally connected to 99 North to Fresno arriving around 5 PM.

The Holiday Inn was hosting a WWII Veterans convention and we got to speak to several Vets—hearing their stories and thanking them for their service (Anywhere from 1,000 to 2,000 of these wonderful heroes of yesteryear, are dying daily!!) To offer our praise to these fine men was indeed a privilege! Just when we thought it couldn’t get any better, we ran across the most fabulous restaurant: “Cool Hand Luke’s”, and enjoyed one of the finest dinners ever!

On Saturday, we connected at Fresno’s Denny’s with about 25 other cars from San Joaquin’s, BAMA, and other Northern California clubs. After a spirited breakfast and meeting led by Ron Branam, who reminded everyone “drive safely, leave space and don’t get lost,” we were off! Well sort of!!!

One of the Three Amigos took a wrong turn and was followed by several unsuspecting participants. Because this caused a great deal of embarrassment and confusion, the driver will go unnamed but, suffice to say “she” was relieved when everyone was finally reunited at a crossing on Hwy 41. Great way to start the run as a visiting club...how embarrassing. So off we all went.

Together this time-- and from here on in it was delightful!!!! The skies turned blue, several tops came down except (for the Yellowtails) and the scenery was spectacular!!!!

One of the highlights was crossing over the San Andreas Fault as the road there rivals a Six Flags roller coaster! Once again at snow level, we had to watch for ice, sand, rocks and flooding on the windy twists and turns and some of our cars now have proof on their hoods and windshields. But all went well and all were on



Ready to leave Deer Springs Friday morning, we had no idea of our adventures to come!  
Photo by Laurie Waid

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a “Miata High” when we pulled into the “Players Restaurant” for lunch and met up with members of SLOMIATA and an old SDMC member Jon Martinez. Afterwards Jon led us thru some fabulous twists and turns like Old Creek Canyon. This day was filled with tops up, tops down and just beautiful scenery and rainbows... How good it felt to be ALIVE and to be able to experience all this gorgeous country in a Miata! We spent the night in San Simeon and rested well after a lovely dinner and camaraderie together.

Sunday, it poured and poured!, But this didn’t dampen anyone’s enthusiasm as we cruised up Highway 1 to Monterey for lunch. The rain and mist gave Hwy 1 a mystique ambiance that was truly unique for those of us who have done it all before. We said goodbye to our Northern friends and headed back south to Cambria. On the way back we stopped and viewed the elephant seals with their new pups. There were hundreds of them in all stages of development... I even got to witness one in labor....too cold and wet to stay for the birth, but I sure was tempted. Thank goodness for those Miata heaters...best part of a Miata that day!

The San Diego trio better know as “Rosie and the Yellowtails” stopped for the night at Moonstone Beach, at a lovely motel with fireplace in room and cookies as you registered...Steve finished his cookies before Laurie could sign the register! Later, we were joined by Jon and Judy Martinez for dinner , a nice treat for those of you who know them.

The next day at breakfast Dennis arrived early and scarfed down a yummy waffle. When we asked why he wasn’t waiting for Maryanne he replied “ If I can finish this off before she gets here , she’ll think the one that is cooking is my only one”...However, Maryanne knew her husband better and Dennis was busted!

Well fed, we sadly retreated south as the memories of the weekend kept smiles on our faces on our way back home. ... Now it’s back to work and wait for the next adventure to unfold..

This was such a great weekend and I surely hope more will join us as we do Coastal Run 2009 next year. “NOT TO BE MISSED!!!!”



Rain, Rain, Rain! Photo by Laurie Waid



Everything becomes a different adventure in the rain!  
Photos by Laurie Waid



# My Favorite Road

Laurie Waid

*Editor's Note: While traveling Hwy 1 in the rain during the Coastal Cruise, it suddenly hit me that this was my favorite road ever. I have many "greats" but this is the "greatest!" I am sure others would like to share their story of their favorite road. Please think about it and write something! It can be long or short, photos or not, just a chance to share with our members.*

As noted above, Highway 1 on California's Central Coast from Morro Bay to Monterey is my favorite road. Since the first time I rode on it with my parents, hauling a travel trailer with a '54 Ford station wagon, to the last time, cruising in our Flame Car with the hardtop on in the pouring rain, this road has fascinated me with the beauty, ruggedness and grandeur of the California coastline.

As a child, we frequently stopped at Morro Bay to camp at the state campground. One of Steve and my first travel adventures together was going to Hearst Castle when I was 18...to go on the one tour available—far before the California State Park system realized it's potential as a delightful journey into the past and crazy lifestyle of William Randolph Hearst. Many times since then, we have traveled this road together to visit family in the Central Coast, to just rest and relax, and to go to car events that proliferate in the area.

About a year and a half ago, we went with the Garons up Highway 1 all the way to Eureka. The day we spent from Moonstone Beach, just on the Coast at Cambria, to Monterey, was all blue skies and sunshine—totally top down weather, where the focus was the ocean, its many shades of blue and white sparkling in the sun and flying into the air as the water hit the rocky coast. Ragged Point, a stop about 30 miles from Cambria, consists of only a gift shop, beautiful hotel and 5 star restaurant, but also offers access to spectacular vantage points within short walking distance to view the coastline back towards Cambria through the rocks and surf.

In January this year, on the Coastal Cruise in a caravan of about 25 cars up Highway 1, it was raining as hard as I have ever seen it rain. Many at the hotel debated about whether to try the road or not, since mudslides, rockslides and closed roads are an ever looming possibility on Highway 1 in the rain. However, upon finding that the road was open, we decided to try it. The Cal Trans trucks scraping the rocks away were the most prevalent "traffic" that we saw—everyone else stayed home out of the rain!

During that drive, cocooned warmly in our snug Miata, it suddenly occurred to me how different Highway 1 looked in the rain! The focus was not on the



ocean, the looming gray, cold-looking beast hovering over the edge of the road. Instead, it was on the beautifully colored rock formations that formed the cliffs of Highway 1, and the greenery of the plants struggling to survive with rock as their foundation. The rocks changed color as we drove, some cliff areas being mostly red and gold, some being shiny black and gray in the wet. Among some more gently rolling hills on the side opposite the ocean, we saw waterfalls appear quickly as the rain fell harder and harder.

Monterey proved a welcome stop for lunch and rejuvenation since the drive up took lots of concentration on the part of the drivers. Driving that road was not the time to say "Look!" to your driver or break concentration on the task at hand.

I am certain I will drive part or all of this road many more times in my life—including during the Search for Madonna in May. But this rainy drive offered me a new appreciation for the majestic grandeur of the scenery that is Highway 1—from its green rolling hills filled with cattle, to the sharp black shiny cliffs rising on the east side, and always surrounded by the ragged rocky blue ocean.

My hope is that you too will be able to view this scenic and inspiring area soon.



# A Day at the Races

Gene Streeter

If your first reaction to this title conjures up the Marx Brothers' antics in their 1937 film of the same name, here are a few suggestions:

You might be slightly past the age demographic of this club

You might be reading the wrong newsletter; let me suggest Turf Digest or Hollywood Reporter

You will be disappointed with my comedic abilities in comparison

In between late January's much-needed rainstorms and high winds, the SCCA held its "double nationals" three-day racing event at the California Speedway the 25<sup>th</sup> through the 27<sup>th</sup>. The visitor event, organized by Tom and Marna Wood, under the Miatafun and SOCALM banners, was called Mazda Mash. Where the name might have conjured up automotive carnage for some of us, it was intended to advertise the volume of Mazda vehicles and power plants engaged in racing events weekend in and weekend out.

You've heard the claim "On any given weekend, there are more Mazdas on the road-race tracks of America than any other brand of vehicle?" It was certainly true for the race classes we observed on Saturday. It's really no secret the fastest growing road-racing class in the U.S. is the SCCA's Spec Miata class, with nearly 1,500 first- and second-generation Miatas tearing up America's racetracks. Our beloved Miata is the most-raced production car in the world. While fun-to-drive is certainly the initial attraction to these vehicles, it's the modest overall cost of preparing and campaigning these vehicles that drives the



You could see the interior pits and the cars lining up to go onto the track. Photo by Tom Wood

increase.

Miata "restrictor plate racing" ...you're joking, right? 'Fraid not. Since the Spec Miata class has both NA and NB vehicles competing head-to-head, the second-generation 1.8 liter engines have to run restrictor plates to compete fairly with the smaller 1.6 liter power plants of the first generation. The racing we witnessed was very tight, with some bump-drafting on the "oval" portion of the course...think 2/3 scale NASCAR racers with higher-pitched exhaust notes and fewer square yards of advertising space. Fortunately, the track used less than half the traditional oval, the more entertaining balance being the road course, where Miatas are in their element.

Having been to that track twice before for vehicle manufacturer marketing events thinly disguised as driving events, I was never able to enjoy the near 360-degree view of the track from the rooftop of the corporate suites that occupy much of the infield adjacent to the pre-grid and pit lane. The seating was comfortable, under a canopy, and free of charge. That's right, absolutely free! Try to top that at the next NASCAR event held there. Unless your corporate connection ponies up thousands of dollars on race weekend, you'll be sitting in the grandstands for the experience; the price of admission will be significantly north of free for that privilege as well.

We parked Lemans style for quick access to the track when it was our turn. Photo by Tom Wood



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Speaking of both *free* and *north*...Mazda headquarters dispatched Kim Neal (and affable husband), their Ownership Experience Specialist, with a collection of parting gifts for those in attendance. Son David shared more of the details of our meeting with her in his e-mail dispatch on January 27. Me? I'm sporting a trendy green Zoom Zoom tee shirt and LED compact flashlight.

Apart from enjoying the close racing, and having easy access to the drivers and pits, the highlight of my day was the two "escorted" laps of the track we were allowed. Spec Miata racers led all of us (roughly 25-30 cars) across the front straight and start/finish line, and relatively low on the banking. Some of us (names withheld for obvious reasons) had driven at higher speeds getting to Fontana than we were allowed to do behind our SCCA escort. The road course portion was a lot more entertaining, where we were able to experiment with the racing line, how fast, and in what gear we attacked the corners.

Hard to say what put a bigger smile on my face – the *free* part or the "*whee*" part. Shame on you if you're thinkin' anything other than the fun I had behind the *wheel*. Being one of the high-profile stops on the NASCAR tour, a few redneck expressions add just the appropriate flavor to my story. Thanks to Tom and Marna, *you all* can participate in June, the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.

(Look for additional details at [miatafun@miatafun.net](mailto:miatafun@miatafun.net).)

Kim Neal from Mazda gave us a talk about what is happening at Mazda and passed out some items to those that attended this special event.

Photo by Tom Wood



The sounds were amazing coming from the 35 Miata's Zooming by.

Photo by Tom Wood

# Members Information

## The Prez Says

My how the times have changed. I am in need of new tires for my NC so I went on line searching to see what is available. I thought this would be a good time to also replace the OEM wheels. The first time I ever bought after market wheels was back in the 70's and they were for truck. Life sure was simple then, Jackman wheels in either black or white. There were a few "mag style" but no real trucker would have "car" rims...big white Jackmans. We also didn't have the Internet back then so you went to a dealer and look through a 2-page catalog showing sizes and applications, 5 lugs or 8 lugs. Saturday morning I started my quest by going online to Tire Rack

where I found hundreds of tires and wheel combinations. I remember the one page where is asked me "do you want to see all 997 wheel and tire combinations for your vehicle. Whew! After many hours of searching there and other sites I think I finally found what I wanted. I won't say what it was so you'll have check out my ride the next time you see me. You might not like my choice but heck, with 996 other combinations, I sure to find one that will please you sooner or later.

Harold Schwartz



## 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.

## Monthly Meetings

Our monthly meetings are a great opportunity to meet your fellow club members, ask questions, and share stories. Meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month, except in November and December when we meet on the third Thursday.

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

Many members arrive around 6 p.m. to enjoy meals, snacks, or beverages while chatting with their Miata friends. The informal meeting starts at 7 p.m. We guarantee you'll have fun.

**This month's meeting date:**

**Thursday,  
FEBRUARY 22**

## IMA CARGUY



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## 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!**

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# Coming Events

## Scrabble for Scholarships

Let's combine some Miata fun with an event that will benefit local youth!

When: March 9, 2008 11 AM Start

Where: Meet at Westfield North County

How Much: \$40 per person, includes Scrabble entry, T shirt, Mexican buffet dinner, and contribution to the Scholarship Fund.

**Introduction:** The Garons and a committed group of friends and family are planning a fund-raising rally on Sunday, March 9, 2007, called **"Scrabble for Scholarships"**. To start out the fun, we will have a scrabble rally involving driving through some of San Diego's lovely back country. At the end of the rally, we will meet for a Mexican food buffet to finish the Scrabble game and give out prizes! The money raised will provide college schol-

arships for local youth soccer players.

**Rally info:** The rally will start at 10 AM on Nov 4. Meeting place will be at the Westfield North County shopping mall on Via Del Rancho Pkwy (just past the Macaroni Grill restaurant). At the start of the rally, each participant is given the rally instructions and 2 Scrabble pieces. At each checkpoint, participants receive more game pieces. At the end of the rally, they are given a list of words scored using the Scrabble-game scoring system. The person able to make the highest point word or words will be the winner!

**Background:** This rally is to help fund college scholarships started by Dennis and Maryanne Garon in their son, Gregg's name. As you may or may not know, Gregg died unexpectedly 2 years ago, at age 36. The Garons wanted to do something to honor his memory, and decided to start a small college scholarship. The scholarship is geared towards soccer players, who best demonstrate having a lot of heart and love for the game (not necessarily the best athletes and NOT the ones who will be getting athletic scholarships).

The Garons have been involved in youth soccer since its inception in North County. Gregg played in the very first year of the Poway Soccer League, and continued in Penasquitos, when Dennis and Maryanne founded that league. Gregg loved soccer his whole life. In addition to playing, he followed local, US and international soccer – loved his Man U (England's Manchester United for the uninitiated); he coached his brother's team, his Mom's team one year (!), his son when he began to play. It is hoped that these scholarships can be given annually to deserving players.

### Details:

**Cost:** \$40.00 per person, with one Scrabble entry per car (but all will receive t-shirt dinner, and contribute to the scholarship). This amount covers the t-shirt, the dinner and leaves about \$18.00 each towards the scholarship fund. Checks may be made out to Gregg Garon scholarship fund, and tax I.D. numbers are available on request.

**There will be lots of prizes and trophies awarded at the buffet. We are welcoming other car clubs and/or individual enthusiasts—anyone who wants to support this worthy cause, so spread the word and invite your friends!**

For further information, or to volunteer – donations or time: contact Maryanne Garon: 760-747-1115 or [dmgaron@cox.net](mailto:dmgaron@cox.net).



# Coming Events

## WILD FLOWER RUN

Sunday, March 2  
9:30 AM

Meet at Westfield Shopping Center North County under the big sign—just north of Macaroni Grill

Diane Foster and Linda Payne are teaming up to find the wildflowers promised after all the rain and the fires! The peak of the season is beginning of March to mid March. So lets go grab some beauty starting at the Westfield Shopping Mall under the sign at 9:30 on Sunday, March 2nd.

Linda Payne and I will show you all of God's tapestry of color... please join us for a good time !!

## The Puke

Sunday, April 20th  
Breakfast 9:00 AM  
Driver's meeting 10:00AM

**Meeting point:** Dalton's in San Marcos, at Nordahl and Hwy 78 in WalMart Shopping Center

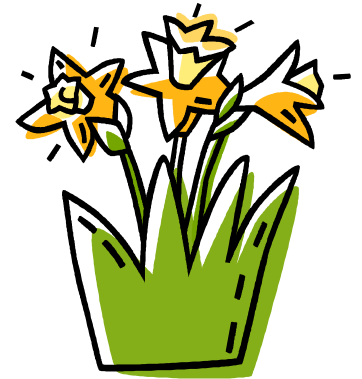
**Contact:** Steve and Laurie Waid [swaid@cox.net](mailto:swaid@cox.net) (760) 432-0727

This will be the eleventh annual running of the infamous Puke (aka Puk-O-Rama). Multiple groups will depart in opposite directions just a few minutes apart. Small groups are easier to keep together. You'll also get to see fellow members coming and going along the route. Barf bags will be provided for unlucky passengers.

The Puke is a driver's event, in the sense that the roads are selected to give the greatest enjoyment to the driver. Unfortunately this has led to some uncomfortable stomach reactions and conditions for the passengers...hence the event name.

At the 10 am drivers meeting the attendees will be split into 5 smaller run groups of about the same size. The five groups will leave at staggered times alternated in opposite directions. What this creates is five separate groups which cross each other's paths a few times during the day. Two pit stops are scheduled for each group at Dudley's Bakery in Santa Ysabel. This commonly results in as many as three run groups being at Dudley's at one time. The last group out is known as the Daffodil Group as this is the group that requests to spend some time actually enjoying the scenery as they drive the course. Typically the Daffodils are in evidence in the Julian area at this time of year.

At the end of the run in the mid afternoon we arrive back at Dalton's Roadhouse to enjoy an early dinner and relish in the embellished stories that are told of the driving experiences just completed. We again will be treated by having the patio reserved for only us Pukers.



## SDMC @ Bumper Doc

4:30 PM Saturday, March 22nd  
Bumper Doc, 3885 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa

We'll visit Bumper Doc to learn about their services. They will also provide a special guest speaker who is none other than Mr. Dave Stall "The Car Guy" from KUSI. Dave hosts his shows on KCEO Radio 1000, "You-Auto-Know" and ESPN Radio 800 "RPM Today". He'll be sharing his vast automotive knowledge with members and guests along with his infectious smile and personality.

**BumperDoc** will provide pizza and drinks for everyone in attendance, and we will provide coffee from Starbucks and cupcakes for dessert.

**BumperDoc** will also pass out raffle tickets to win prizes – including gift certificates!

From that point on, Car Club Members receive 5% OFF all services at **BumperDoc**.

Additionally, our friends at Automotive Web Media will video and upload the event directly to their website.

**Contact:** Scott Lewis [kartdriver@cox.net](mailto:kartdriver@cox.net)



## Save the Date! SDMC Annual Meeting April 19, 2008

Come elect your new board members. Raffle prizes and fun!  
10 AM San Diego Auto Museum, Balboa Park Lunch details to follow.



# Coming Events

## *THE SEARCH FOR MADONNA 2008*

It's time to start planning on attending Search for Madonna 2008—the adventure continues!

We have arranged with the Madonna Inn to reserve a block of rooms for May 3rd and 4th, Saturday night and Sunday night. You can start making your room reservations any time. Ask for Rebecca in group reservations and be sure to mention Miata Club so I can be sure that you are included in the group list so we communicate everything to you.

Because it has been two years, and there are people who do not know what the Search is all about, I will give you the basics for now.

1. We spend two nights at the Madonna Inn in San Luis Obispo. The Inn is unique, fun, and not cheap. Each room is different. Different in every sense of the word. Go to the website at [www.madonnainn.com](http://www.madonnainn.com) and have a look at the 109 rooms available.
2. The only reason to reserve early (the Madonna Inn charges the first night right away to reserve a room) is to get the exact room you want. Because of that, I have reserved "The Love Nest" for Laurie and I. Take a look. We love that room.
3. We will firm up the activities for our time up there, but historically we have had some driving, a wine tour, the Hearst Castle night tour, the Morro Bay Car Show, and, of course, lots of EATING.

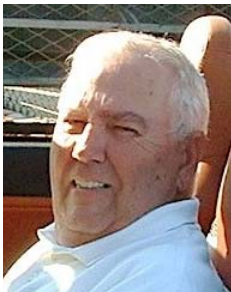
There is a new Miata Club in the area, appropriately named SLOMiata. We will be "playing" with them as well. There will be more details to come, but begin deciding which room you want and get your reservation in to get what you want. If you have questions at any time, be sure and ask. Steve and Laurie Waid [swaid@cox.net](mailto:swaid@cox.net) or (760) 432-0727



## Scenes from previous Search for Madonna Trips



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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.

1. Go to <http://autos.groups.yahoo.com/group/SDMC-List> (capitalization matters!).
2. Click "Join This Group!"
3. 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.
7. 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.



# Member Discounts

**M**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.

**Good-Win Racing LLC.** Miata intakes, exhausts, shocks, springs, & goodies from Racing Beat, Moss, and more. [www.goodwin-racing.com](http://www.goodwin-racing.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.

**Knobmeister Quality Images.** 3595 Gray Circle, Elbert, CO 80106-9652. Joe Portas, [joe@knobmeister.com](mailto:joe@knobmeister.com). 303-730-6060.

**Langka Corp.** Guaranteed paint chip and scratch repair system. Cleaning, detailing, and restoration products. 800-945-4532. [www.langka.com](http://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 Porterfield & 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](http://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., Ocean-side. 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 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: 15% 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](mailto:buffy@iopener.net). Discount: No connection fee.

**Coldwell Banker Real Estate.** David T. Bryan, Realtor. 619-334-4625. [david-bryan@coldwellbanker.com](mailto: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](mailto:anita.rosin@rosinlaw.com). 619-543-9600. Discount: 10% on attorneys fees.

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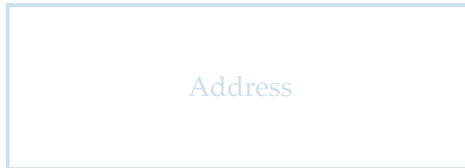
**\$2000**, 19,200 miles, all recalls performed, optional factory wind blocker, 2000 miles on Yokohama AVS-ES 100. 2nd owner for 3 years. Garaged, covered and NO RAIN - \$18,500/OBO. Wife says the extra red car has to go. Rick Keach 619 702 8077

New Miata seat covers-still in box. color: Forest Floor (wood camo) design. Want to recoup what I paid \$195.00, they are custom for Miata. Please call Chris/Bev Turner 619-691-9800 or email: [t42ne1@cox.net](mailto:t42ne1@cox.net).

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 [www.miatamart.com](http://www.miatamart.com).

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## March and April Events

DATE	EVENT	TIME	MEET	CONTACT
Sunday 3/2	Wildflower Run	9:30 AM	Westfield Shopping Town, North County, by Romano's Grill	Diane Foster <a href="mailto:foster1370@sbcglobal.net">foster1370@sbcglobal.net</a>
Sunday 3/9	Scrabble for Scholarships	11:00 am Start	Westfield Shopping Town, North County, by Romano's Grill	Maryanne Garon <a href="mailto:dmgaron@cox.net">dmgaron@cox.net</a>
Saturday 3/22	Bumper Doc	4:30 PM	Bumper Doc, 3885 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa	<a href="mailto:Events@sandiegomiataclub.org">Events@sandiegomiataclub.org</a>
Thursday 3/27	Monthly Meeting	6:00 eat 7:00 Meet	Boll Weevil Clairemont Mesa Rd.	President Harold Schwartz <a href="mailto:president@sandiegomiataclub.org">president@sandiegomiataclub.org</a>
Saturday 4/19	SDMC Annual Meeting	10 AM	San Diego Auto Museum, Balboa Park	VP David Streeter
Sunday 4/20	The Puke	10 AM	Dalton's Roadhouse, Nordahl at Hwy 78 San Marcos	Steve Waid <a href="mailto:swaid@cox.net">swaid@cox.net</a>