



TWISTS & TURNS

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Rescue Wally Strikes Again ... and, as we all know, that's good!

Intercepted messages tell this story Compiled by Editor Les Smith

From: (name removed)@hotmail.com
Subject: Question for you
Date: June 9, 2009 5:50:32 PM PDT
To: newsletter@sandiegomiataclub.org
Hello,
Really sorry to disturb you, but I went to your website to see if you guys had a classifieds section, and I couldn't find one. Do you know of any good places to post a Miata for sale? My car (a 1990 Miata) got vandalized, so I'm seeing myself in the need to sell it for parts, so if you have any ideas I would really appreciate it. Thank you! Julia

From: lesssmith@san.rr.com
Subject: Parting out Miata
Date: June 9, 2009 7:02:36 PM PDT
To: (name removed)@hotmail.com
Julia, I am forwarding your email to a club member who likely will be interested or can refer you to a source for selling the Miata for parts. We do publish classified ads in the club newsletter; however, distribution of the next edition is about three weeks away. Les Smith

From: wallymiata@gmail.com
Subject: Parting out Miata
Date: June 15, 2009 10:28:09 AM PDT
To: lessmith@san.rr.com
Hi Les,
I bought Julia's car. One of my missions is to save Miatas from untimely deaths in the crusher. Her car was definitely slated and a good candidate for Mr. Crusher. I never part out a car if I can at all see a possible recycle as a cheap car for someone or as a shell for a race car. This one is a challenge. Rocky had to wire up the ignition due to the damage done by vandals, but to her amazement he had it running in 5 minutes!

Here's what I did or plan to do to make it usable:

1. Removed and replaced hood (I had a white one).
2. Removed and replaced drivers door (I had a white one):
3. Removed and replaced headlight covers.
4. Removed broken inside door handle.
5. Removed outside door handle and moved to new door so key would work.
6. Replaced broken glove box and swapped out the look so one key would still work.
7. Need to install all new gaskets (3 of these) around tranny. You can see through to the ground now. Not good for heat and CO2 fumes.
8. Fix window as it would not go down.
9. Replace radiator bottle (broken and leaking).



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My Favorite Road

Brenda Markert

It's taken me a long time to write about my favorite road because ever since Les asked me to write about it, I couldn't decide which road it was. I enjoyed searching for Madonna, and the all-day drive to Big Bear last year, and of course my two Pukes with Steve and Laurie Waid (one Puke with each of them), and autocross driving school (oh yeah - that wasn't a road, but it sure was a favorite). And I always LOVE the Christmas Lights Run, and the recent Stay Behind Run right thru the center of the County was very enjoyable. Then I realized -- ta da -- my favorite road is the road I'm driving on in my Miata -- whatever road it is.

This particular night was the 10th running of the Twilight Run up to Julian. A new twist this year was Tom and Marna Woods' invitation to SoCalm members to meet up in Temecula and join us, and many of them did and that was great! Thanks Tom and Marna.

We gathered, as is tradition, down in Rancho San Diego near Hooley's Irish Pub. Some folks arrived early enough to eat a meal before the run, others showed up just in time to sign the waiver, join in the group photo, listen to Mark's detailed run instructions and hear Rainer Mueller's story about his wife's Schnauzer. And off we went.

Mark, thank you for reminding us to zero out our odometers as we exited the parking lot so our odometers would match the printed run directions. (That really helped me an hour and a half later when I was trying to decide if I needed to make an emergency pit stop, or if I could wait until we arrived at our rest stop.)

Anyway, Jim and I were car number 4 -- I'd never been that close to the lead car before. I believe that helped me avoid missing the important right turn that I missed on the Moon Over Miatas run last year that Steve Waid keeps reminding me about. I love you, too, Steve!

It was a beautiful, leisurely-as-promised, drive out through San Diego's back country. The mountain areas are greening up after the fires a couple of years ago, and Jim was lucky enough to spot five deer in one of the valleys -- plus we saw numerous horses and tons of cows. Lake Cuyamaca had some boats with fishermen, the sky was blue, and the air was clean and fresh.

We arrived at our rest stop, and I believe everyone was in line at the same time for the restrooms. The store was open for snacks and cold drinks and folks had a chance for a little visiting and car admiring out in the parking lot. We got to meet some new folks. Welcome to all you new members and thanks for joining us to-night.

There must have been an announcement because all at once, everyone rushed back to their cars, jumped



Photo by Tom Wood

in, and started their engines for the drive down. Mark had arranged for the sun to set at just the perfect moment when we were all on the road heading back to town in a beautiful line of about 50 Miatas. There were lots of "oooohs" and "aaaaahhhhss" coming over the CB radio. Someone said we might see the green flash. Of course, Steve Waid opined that the flash he saw was yellow. And Ted said something about what he was holding in his other hand. Maybe it was Ted who was "ooohing and aaahhinnng."

Anyway, it was a wonderful drive on a summer's evening. Some folks headed back to Rancho San Diego for ice cream, but Jim and I left the group at I-8 to head home -- we had a new toy and it has a remote control and Jim was anxious to play with it. After all, it's not everyday that someone wins a free 40" Sony Bravia HDTV. If you missed the Twilight Run this year, be sure to join us again next year. Same time, same place, same Channel 10 on the CB radio.



Photo by Tom Wood

U Betta Cappu

Anthony Wilde

Editors' note: This timely article was written by a former editor for the SDMC newsletter exactly 10 years ago this month. He lives in Las Vegas and still drives his Miata.

It was fun seeing him at Miata World II in Dallas

The weather is great, the road is twisty and your Miata is humming along. Life is good. Nothing can take that smile off your face. Nothing except the fact you didn't replace the valve stem cap on one or more of your tires the last time you checked the air pressure.

You do check the air pressure regularly, don't you? Those seemingly insignificant items, be they the stock plastic caps or the spiffy logo ones with either Miata script or a prancing chicken, are actually very important. Take this scenario, for instance. You and your Miata are cruising right along, say 65-75 mph, when suddenly there is a pothole in the road. A quick twitch on the steering wheel and you almost clear it, but WHAM, not quite. The car slews left and then right and you realize that a tire has blown. Within a few seconds the episode is over and you are safely off the pavement.

As you prepare yourself mentally to change the tire you may find yourself thinking that even a good jolt like that shouldn't blow out an expensive high performance tire, should it? The answer is an unequivocal maybe. Just maybe the tire didn't "blow out" in the normal sense of the term. If the valve stem did not have a cap on it, here

is what could happen. At 70 mph there is a lot of centrifugal force working at that part of the wheel. The core of the valve stem is held closed partially by a spring in the core and partially by internal air pressure in the tire. If you hit the pothole with the valve stem at the bottom of its rotation, the impact of the pothole, added to the already significant centrifugal force, can overcome the spring and air pressure, and presto, the valve is open. The centrifugal force alone may now be sufficient to keep it open. The end result is much like a blowout. The air escapes from the tire so quickly that, coupled with tire distortion at the moment of impact and the lateral load on the tire (you were trying to steer around the pothole, remember?), the tire bead will unseat itself from the wheel rim and all of the air is gone, instantly.

No, this is not an everyday occurrence, but just once in a lifetime is one time too often, especially if it is due to having left that little insurance policy (valve cap) off. Most anyone can deal with a slow leak, even at speed, but a fast leak is no fun at all. The worst part is you will have unnecessarily ruined a tire, a wheel, your slacks (changing the tire), your shorts (death defying ride) and your day. The time saved leaving off those two-bit caps is definitely not worth the possible consequence!



This photo, taken 10 years ago by Michelle Langmaid, captured a beautiful girl and a beautiful scene as SDMC participated in the Filipino Pride Parade at the Embarcadero.

Membership

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!

Welcome to our new members, 9 since our last newsletter.

Linda & Bill Blaylock	San Diego	2001 Crystal Blue Metallic
Stephen & Helen Tanzer	San Diego	2002 Titanium Gray Metallic
Kenneth Kuang	San Diego	1997 Brilliant Black
David & Kitty Koss	Escondido	2002 Sunlight Silver Metallic
Dick & Jan Miller	Escondido	1999 Emerald Mica

As of July 15, 2009, we have 201 memberships (71 single, 130 dual) for a total of 331 members.

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:

August 27

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.

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Mario Andretti

Plan Ahead People!

Miata Regional Events Calendar for 2010

Many Miata Club members are interested in attending regional events sponsored by other clubs throughout the country. Registrations open on these events in September 2009 and have **limits on cars attending** the events. In some cases events filled up real fast....**Miatas Doin'The Charleston** 2008 only took **20** days. Register quickly before the events fill up. Click on the club's web sites below for information thus far.

Miatas Doin' the Charleston II

April 29th – May 2nd, 2010

Charleston, SC.

<http://www.miatasdointhecharleston.com/>

Registration will open on Sept.1, 2009 at midnight.

Miatas in Moab IV

May 14th – 17th^h, 2010

Moab, UT.

<http://utahmiataclub.com/node/11>

Registration open now..... over 200 cars have registered so far. NO limit on the number of cars & NO registration fee.

Miata Mountain Mania

June 24th-27th, 2010

Laurel Highlands, PA.

<http://www.westpennmiataclub.com/mania10.html>

Registration will open in Sept. 2009 (no date yet)

Surf N Safari

October 14th-17th, 2010

San Diego, CA.

<http://www.sandiegomiataclub.org/>



Can You Name These Car Owners?

Many San Diego Miata Club members have “vanity” plates—if your car has a name, it ought to wear a name badge, shouldn’t it? Test yourself, and see how many of these SDMC cars you can match to their owners. Bring your answers to the next meeting, and we’ll see who knows what!

OUIZOOM
GRNZOOM
OBI WAID
BSTYELO
DARK 1
RZRBLU
2HVGFUN
+2CONES
4BRNDAK
B S♥ZOOM
BUZER
FUN4RLW
MI FUN
FROM VK
GOT ZOOM
HELYUN

LEZZZGO
M MY WAY
MEZOOM
N 2 TULL
NICE HAT
RDDY2RUN
RNNAWAY
SDMIATA
TMVOODO
UR4GIVN
XAE
YLWZOOM
M SHACK
GOT ZOOM
93 NOIR

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10. Put on a rubber cover on hl motor (missing).
11. Put on a heat shield under motor (missing).
12. Put on a missing interior grill opening shell.
13. Remove and replace hood release cable (bent by vandals).
14. Remove and straighten radio antenna.
15. Remove trunk and sand and paint it.
16. Remove burglar alarm (useless).
17. Horn wire disconnected and when connected; horn won’t turn off.
18. Replace damaged radio (no face plate).
19. Replace windshield (cracked by vandals).
20. Replace broken windshield plastic at base.
21. Replace missing hub cap.

Whew!!! It does run and shifts good, has decent tires and battery, and 177,000 miles. Out of 26 cars I parted or fixed this is the worst one I have seen!





August Events

		TIME	LOCATION	WHO TO CONTACT?
FRIDAY AUGUST 7	CRUISIN' GRAND ESCONDIDO	6 PM EAT 7 PM CRUISE	MEET AT TOM'S #23, West side of Center City Pky at 5th Avenue, Escondido	STEVE WAID 760.432.0727 OR SWAID@COX.NET
SATURDAY AUGUST 1	DEBBYE DOES THE SANTEE DRIVE-IN RUN	3:15 EAT 7:00 MOVIE	MEET AT FILLIPPI'S PIZZA 13881 HIGHWAY 94 (CAMPO RD.) JAMUL	BRUCE & DEBBYE LEWIS OUIZOOM@YAHOO.COM
SATURDAY AUGUST 8	MOON OVER MIATAS	7:45	DUDLEYS BAKERY HWY 78, SANTA ISABEL	STEVE WAID SWAID@COX.NET
THURSDAY AUGUST 27	MONTHLY MEETING	6 PM EAT 7 PM MEET	BOLL WEEVIL RESTAURANT CLAREMONT MESA BLVD SAN DIEGO	PRESIDENT@SANDIEGO MIATACLUB.ORG

Debbie Does the Santee Drive-in Run

Saturday August 1st start at 3:15 PM

Fillippi's Italian Restaurant ,13881 Highway 94 (Campo Rd.) Jamul.

New and improved Drive-in Movie Run. The Run will be a little longer on miles and a little longer on driving fun. Before we leave our early dinner around 4:45PM, we will decide which one of two movies that we will watch. If you have been on this run before, you already know that we select only movies that are highest in quality and entertainment value. Previously, Beerfest comes to mind as an example of this run's fine cinematic history. If you can't make it to the start you can still meet up with us at the drive-in (10990 Woodside Av. Santee) around 7:00PM.

Here are some Drive-in Movie Run tips-

- ☆ There is a gas station across the street from Fillippi's
- ☆ Bring an FM radio to get movie sound track (they have no speakers).
- ☆ Bring chairs as we sit in front of our cars.
- ☆ Jackets might be a good idea
- ☆ Movie fee is \$8.00 (\$4.00 for kids and Steve Waid).
- ☆ You can bring snacks or go to the snack bar (goodie bags will be provided).
- ☆ Second movie starts around 11:00PM
- ☆ Come on along, ya'll will have a great time!



CRUISIN' GRAND ESCONDIDO

Friday, August 7, 2009

First Friday of each month from April through September

6 PM - Meet at Tom's #23 on the Southwest corner of 5th Street and Centre City Parkway in Escondido

7 PM - Leave Tom's to cruise Grand

Contact: Steve & Laurie Waid swaid@cox.net

Cruisin Grand has changed it's format back to the one that we took advantage of for years. Therefore, we will start back up our monthly Meet, Eat, and Cruise on the first Friday of each month through September.

6 pm - Meet to Eat at Tom's #23 . For those that are not aware, the new commuter lanes are open all the way to Escondido now and have helped in relieving the traffic crunch on I-15 north.

7 pm - We will leave Tom's to Cruise Grand. After Cruisin Grand a couple of laps we will park and walk Grand. You are free to get ice cream, spend lots of time viewing the cars, and or leave whenever you would like.

Moon Over Miatas

Saturday, August 8

Meet at Dudley's in Santa Ysabel

The 6th Year for Moon Over Miatas is earlier this year. The annual August event is on Saturday, August 8th because the full moon is earlier this year.

Meeting place is Dudley's parking lot in Santa Ysabel near the junction of Highway's 78 and 79. Drivers meeting will start at 7:45pm so plan on arriving by 7:30pm.



Moon Over Miatas is a night run that we will be doing for the 6th year in a row. The concept is that we will drive from Julian down Banner Grade to S2 to Interstate 8 under a full moon. In previous years the temperature has varied from 76 to 102 degrees as we transition through several elevation changes. The sky is rich with stars and the shadows cast by the moon on the mountains along side us make this a very special run.

We will leave Dudley's about 8pm so be there by 7:30. We will be making a pit stop at the Golden Acorn Casino on the way home. It is about a 140 mile run before we have a pit stop after we leave Dudley's...so be prepared. No RSVP's are necessary.

MAIN STREET AMERICA CAR SHOW

August 9, 2009

8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Embarcadero Park North (Seaport Village)

Schedule: Vehicle Check in 8-10am (Now with 3 entry points)
 Vehicles on Display, Raffles and Music 10-3pm
 Trophy Presentation 3pm (Trophies awarded for 1st and 2nd place)

Pre-registration is required, form must be postmarked by August 3rd, 2009 Cost \$25.00
(Entries receive a reserved space with the other vehicles in your class or club,
or pre registered friends (your choice) dash plaque and a delicious lunch)

*Additional food & beverages can be purchased on-site and we have added additional food service lines.
For show info call Charles Stankovich (619) 838-8116 – Registration info call Craig Moya (619) 660-8071

Email Charles at: cstankovich@cox.net - Visit us at: www.cocsd.com or www.sdcb.org

This is a people's choice charity car show with the proceeds to benefit the S.D. Center for the Blind. Cost is \$25 /car (includes class entrance, dash plaque, lunch) Register by Aug. 3rd.

Future Events

Adventure to the Grand Canyon Railway via Route 66

Friday, Sept 11, 2009 - Monday, Sept 14, 2009
Event Coordinators: Mark & Cathy Booth, H (619) 670-3789, M (619) 990-5520, markbooth@cox.net

Mark & Cathy are leading a 4-day getaway adventure to Williams, AZ and the Grand Canyon Railway! We'll travel Route 66 along the way! Starting Friday, September 11, we'll drive up I-15 to Victorville where we'll visit the California Route 66 Museum. Then we'll leave the super-slab behind and take Route 66 from Victorville to Barstow, where we'll visit the Route 66 Mother Road Museum. We'll overnight in Barstow at a very nice Holiday Inn Express. Saturday, the fun really kicks into high gear as we again shun the highway to explore sections of Route 66 between Barstow and Williams. This will include the longest contiguous section of Route 66 left in America. We'll travel through and visit the famous Route 66 towns of Oatman, Kingman, Peach Springs and Seligman before arriving at Williams. In Williams, we'll stay at the wonderful Lodge on Route 66, a historic motor court motel that has been refurbished to first-class condition! Sunday, we'll board the Grand Canyon Railway for a leisurely ride to the south rim of the Grand Canyon. We'll have about 3.5 hours to explore the Grand Canyon before boarding the train for our return trip to Williams. Monday, we head for home!

To make your reservations: Friday, September 11 in Barstow - Holiday Inn Express, 2700 Lenwood Road, (760) 253-9200. The discount rate is \$99 (plus

tax). When making your reservation, be sure to mention the General Manager's name, Joyce Wilston to get the \$99 rate. Mark & Cathy visited this Holiday Inn Express and the rooms are very nice. A hot breakfast is included in the rate. There is an Outlet Mall very close by for the shoppers among us!

Saturday & Sunday, September 12 & 13 in Williams - The Lodge On Route 66, 200 E. Route 66, (877) 563-4366. The discount is 15% off of the normal room rate. Normal room rates are from \$99 to \$209 per night, depending if you choose a room with a single queen bed, two queen beds, or one of the available suites. Rates are slightly higher on Saturdays. To get the 15% discount, mention Mark Booth's name and the Miata group. Carol, the owner, knows all about the deal so ask to speak with her if you have any trouble. The Lodge's website: <http://thelodgeonroute66.com/>

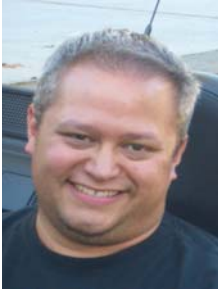
Sunday, September 13, Grand Canyon Railway Trip - Make your reservations online at <http://www.thetrain.com/> or by calling (800) 843-8724. Roundtrip tickets cost anywhere from \$70 to \$190 per person depending on what type of train car you choose. The site has the details explaining the differences. You may choose to ride in one type of car on the way to the Canyon, and a different type of car on the way back. Mark & Cathy are riding Coach class up and Luxury class back, which comes to \$130 per person.

Mark & Cathy hope you will join them for the fun! If you decide to attend, please be sure to let them know so they can add your name and contact info to the list of attendees.

Route 66 travelers to Miata World II saw some of the sights we'll see on the trip to the Grand Canyon. Left, Steve Waid poses with a wild burro in Oatman, and right, Maryanne Garon gets out of her car at Cool Springs, a vintage gas station and rest stop.



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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

Many 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.

Dent Time: fast reasonable paintless dent removal. 800-420-DENT (3368). They come to your door, provided quick and professional service.

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. 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%

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. 303-730-6060.

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 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. 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.

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

Mazda of Escondido. 760-737-3200. Discount: 20% on most parts; 15% on labor (not including smog certification). For purchase, ask for Barb and receive free SDMC membership for 1 year!

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