



# TWISTS & TURNS

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## What the Color of Your Miata Says About You

Roland Soule

**A**s a relative newcomer to the club, when I joined, I expected a lot of the chatter to be around speed and technical stuff, you know, track times, engine modifications, exhaust set-ups and such. But to my surprise, the favorite topic of conversation was...car color! Maybe that goes back to original 1990 Miata. There weren't a lot of options or packages offered then. The main differentiator was that each car came in one of three bright, patriotic colors, red, white or blue. Maybe it has to do with the number of women in our club, and after all, what's more important, compression ratios and limited slip differentials or décor and color schemes? That's a no-brainer if ever there was one.

Of course, our cars now come in a veritable Jelly-Belly assortment of hues, and in addition to the standard shades, many of our cars are custom painted with flames and crowing roosters and who knows what else. Some of our license plates brag about rare colors on our cars like Strato Blue and British Racing Green. We wear shirts and jackets that match the colors of our cars and, who knows, maybe some day one of us will come to a Miata Club meeting with their hair dyed the color of their car! We're not just car-crazy, we're car-color crazy!

So why is the color of our cars so important to us? Maybe because it says something about who we are, who we think we are, or who we aspire to be. Maybe we sit in a boring beige cubicle all day but fancy ourselves driving something flashy and bright. Maybe we see ourselves as more urbane and want to drive something more understated. Some of us are extroverts and others are more introspective in our personalities. No matter, there's a place for all of us in the San Diego Miata Club and that's one of the things that makes our club so successful.

So, with that, here's a tongue-in-cheek, strictly unscientific almanac of what each car color says about who we are or who we want to be:

**REDS:** If you own a red car, you're a person that likes to stand out from the crowd but still be part of the crowd. You're somewhat of a risk taker, too. Who says red's a cop-magnet right? Tradition is important to you. After all, it's a sports car, and shouldn't it be red? Ferraris and Alfas are red aren't they? The song is "Little Red Corvette" not "Little Yellow Corvette". Red's not a boring color and neither are red-car drivers!

**WHITES:** People with white cars are more practical. White keeps a car cool and is easier to keep clean. You're comfortable with who you are and are unperturbed by the flash and dash folks who ask you – "you could have picked any color so why did you pick white?" White has a classic, understated look and some shades even have a hint of luxury that appeals to your personality and taste.

Sue Hinkle received her RED car at Surf n'Safari 2004's banquet. Lucky girl!  
(Photo by Jack Hinkle)



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## WHAT COLOR?

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**SILVERS, GREYS:** While drivers of silver or grey cars aren't "out front" people, they're the folks in the back-ground getting things done. They're the kind of people that prefer to be known by who they are rather than what they're wearing and tend to be more practical in their outlooks. Not withstanding what their flashier brethren might say, their cars can truly be beautiful, especially a silver car with chrome accents and a black interior or a grey car over a sable brown leather interior.

**YELLOW:** Yellow owners are out-front people that want the attention of others. They're "here I am" folks that tend to be the extroverts and leaders among us. Yellow car owners are most likely to paint flames on their cars and run at the head of the pack. They don't understand why everyone wouldn't want a yellow car. We hear more about yellow cars than any other color because their owners want it that way.

**GREENS:** Green car people are traditionalists. They hearken back to the British tradition of green cars such as Triumphs, racing Bentleys and even the Lotus Elan on which our Miatas were loosely based. They enjoy history and like to imagine driving their cars from London to Edinburgh on a foggy day past ancient stone walls and a countryside laden with history. They're individualists who's second most favorite thing to do after driving their Miatas is to curl up with a good book.

**BLUES:** Blue folks are a mixed bag. People with light blue cars tend to be happy and care-free. They're the first ones at a parade and love to dress their cars up. They're the first to make friends with new club members and are people that everyone likes. Dark blue owners are more serious minded, like black car owners. They

spend a lot of time cleaning and keeping their cars shiny are most likely to modify their cars to make them look unique.

**BLACKS:** Black is the color of strength with a hint of luxury. Owners of black cars see these personality traits in themselves and tend to be reserved but enjoy the beauty of their surroundings. They are proud of the color of their cars, which can truly be beautiful especially after a full day of washing and waxing with a fine carnauba. They fancy themselves mingling with the rich and famous at Pebble Beach, showing off their um, classic Miatas!

**OTHERS:** We have people driving orange, purple, tan cars; who knows maybe there's even pink Miata or two out there. No matter, it's all good. Whatever color the car you drive, it's what you like that's important. No color is better than any other no matter what some certain yellow car people may tell you. Viva la difference! Its part of what makes being in the San Diego Miata Club so fun and exciting!



Above: Blue comes in many varieties—what's your favorite?  
Below: the yellows make a serious statement. Photos by Laurie Waid





# Moon Over (or beside) Miatas Run

Mike Schwartz

The evening started out at Dudley's Bakery in Santa Ysabel. The temperature could not have been better, in the mid 70's, very rare for this time of the year. About 35 Miatas showed up for another running of the Moon Over Miatas run. As we gathered in the parking lot for the brief drivers meeting, we all got to enjoy the sun setting with a wonderful orange glow to it. After our fearless leader, Steve Waid, prepped the group with the exhausting run directions, which consisted of "A right turn" (technically there are a few more), we saddled up to hit the road. On an interesting note, we had an out of town guest from the Nashville Miata Club (in a rental Kia) to join the run. You would think this was our furthest traveled person on the run but Harold Schwartz would take that honor, having just flown in at 2pm, after an 18 hour flight from Singapore. How's that for dedication!

As the dash out of the parking lot commenced, Lisa and I happened to be 1 car behind our leader of the evening. As with many of the runs, my guess is the rest of the folks behind us made a Le Mans type start, jockeying for position and headed up the hill to Julian. The CB was a flutter with chatter from everyone getting on the road.

We passed thru Julian and start our decent down Banner Grade. This is a wonderful twisty road that we in San Diego are lucky to have in our backyard. This road takes us to what is known on this run as "The Right Turn". This is the turn onto S2 which goes to Ocotillo. I guess this has been a well known problem spot for some, as if you miss this turn and go straight, you end up at Ocotillo Wells, which if anyone has been there, there is not much of anything out there. This year the sweep car of Daryled Bristol had said he was not chasing anyone down who missed this turn. I think this was an added motivator and worked as for the first time anyone can remember, everyone made the turn. No stories to tell of someone missing the turn. Darn, those are always fun to hear.

Now that we are all pointing in the right direction, the temperature was slowly rising. Predictions were starting to be made about how hot it will be this year. 85, 87, 84, 91 (which was my prediction) was heard coming over the CB. Yes, you heard that right, numbers were in the mid to high 80's, a first for the MOM run. Typically we are looking closer to 100 degrees in the lowest part of the desert. A very welcomed cold spell made this year's run the coolest ever. We snake over the road, Lisa and I can see back in the mirrors, a long flowing stream of lights. It really is a sight to behold. As we



keep our pace, it is starting to be noted that there is NO moon and hence, this can't be a Moon Over Miatas run. Steve kept promising it would show up but many were having their doubts. The temp was still inching its way up and Mark Booth claimed a max of 88\*. Tom Thompson was showing 91\*, which I then sided with, since that was the temp I predicted. Lisa commented over the CB, without Jill "The Weather Girl" all of these temps were speculative and not official. No one will really know for sure.

We get down to the lower plains area which is mainly the straight road portion of S2. We are approaching the Border Patrol check point and still no moon. How can this be? Whose lack of planning allowed this to happen? Well Steve was still confident the moon would make a show of it. Just after the check point, what's that... can it be... yep there is a moon rising in the east. We were treated to a beautiful orange moon peaking over the horizon. Had Steve planned this all along? We'll never know. As we come up to our stopping point along the side of the road, the Milky Way can be seen so vividly. With the moon still low in the sky, the area was still very dark and made viewing of the stars amazing. We all pulled over, so we could stretch our legs and take in the wonderment of the moment. By this point the moon was high enough to be over the layer of dust that looms over the desert area. It had returned to its normal grey color and cast a warm glow over the desert. With temps in the mid 80's, it couldn't be a nicer evening.

After a few minutes, we jump back in and hit the road again, destination, Ocotillo. This is a bustling town of dozens and the last stop for travelers, before going up the grade on I-8 into the mountains. Making yet another

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# Get to know our Members

As our club grows, it is sometimes difficult to remember everyone's name, let alone their car color, year and where they live. In order to help you get to know your fellow members, who may or may not live right nearby, we are beginning a new feature—just some easily answered questions posed to newer members. Hopefully this will lead you to have a welcoming conversation with each of them. Questions posed by Editor Les Smith.

***Dick Miller ...*** lives in South Escondido near the winery on San Pasqual Road.

Occupation: Retired Mechanical Engineer. Was a partner in a manufacturing company that built heavy equipment for the refinery and petrochemical industry.

Family: Wife Jan of 54 years, three grown children, six grandchildren and one brand new great grandson!

Hobbies and interests: Top-down driving in San Diego back country, model railroading, cooking and gardening. (No one grows better tomatoes than me :)

Miata: 1999 Emerald Green (color choice was intentional). Bought in 2004 in San Diego

What I was looking for in life that steered me into a Miata: More time on the road and less time in the shop than my Jag. Not only that, it doesn't leak oil.

Previous sports cars: Jaguars. Longtime past member of the San Diego Jaguar Club.

Extent of total driving that involves the Miata: I regularly drive the back roads in East County. I have driven almost all the hard surfaced roads in the San Diego County east of I-15 and north of I-8.

Driving scares (usually involving big trucks or buses): Yes, driving way too fast following a motorcycle down the South Grade of Palomar Mountain. I promised myself not to do that again.

Favorite San Diego County road (so far): Mesa Grande, De Luz, Highland Valley and Engineer Roads; Palomar South (S6) to name a few.

San Diego County "discoveries" just out driving: The average driver who drives only the main roads in the county has no idea of the driving experiences and beauty of San Diego County.

Club runs: None yet.

Trips planned: This will be a stay-at-home summer.

***Roland and Terry Soule ...*** live in Santee.

Occupation: Roland is Quality Manager at Motorola.

Family: Son Brett (Want a dog but we're gone too much right now!)

Hobbies and interests: Play guitar, enjoy concerts and, of course, driving the Miata at dusk on summer evenings. Miata: 2008 Sunlight Silver. Bought brand spankin' new at John Hine in May 2008 -- before we knew about Barb! :<(

## Getting to Know You

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Color choice intentional? Like the understated look. Silver with black interior with chrome accents looks sharp, especially shined up at sunset.

What we were looking for in life that steered us into a Miata: Roland wanted a Harley but after a friend got into an accident, went with a Miata for that "wind in the hair" feel! Really enjoy the runs with the Miata club.

Previous sports cars: First one, outside of Roland's dad's Fiat sport coupe that he hot rodded around in as a teen (when dad wasn't looking of course!!)

Extent of total driving that involves the Miata: Right now it's on weekends, as long as Roland can nurse his '98 Prism as the daily driver.

Driving scares (usually involving big trucks or buses): None so far (crossing our fingers)

Favorite San Diego County road (so far): Roland likes the curvy roads, Terry just likes to cruise. There's a bit of both running from Mt. Palomar to Mt. Laguna.

What we have enjoyed about club runs: Seeing all those Miatas lined up in a row, camaraderie, fun looking at what others have done to their cars and talking about where they've been!

Trips planned: Want to drive up Northern California Highway 1 in the Miata. Have done it many times in a regular car – and, hopefully, Big Bear with Diane and crew.

Roland adds: I'm kind of a quiet guy but really enjoy getting with the folks at the SDMC. A really fun, happy group of people.

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## MOON OVER MIATAS

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right, we merge onto I-8 west and start our climb. It was very windy in the pass and the temps really started to drop as we climbed higher. I think at one point Mark announced it was 61\*. I think more than a few people turned their heaters on. I know Lisa and I did. We continued on west with the Golden Acorn casino being the last official stop of the evening. As we got near the off ramp, some chose to continue on home while many stopped if for nothing else, a much needed bathroom break. Once there, some members were heading to the café for some dessert while others just hit the restroom and were heading home. For Lisa and I we hit the restrooms and then on the way out, Lisa threw in a \$20 bill at one of the machines and within 1 minute, had won \$15.90. I said "Let's get out of here while we are ahead." She cashed out and off we went.

It was a wonderful evening and I think everyone had a great time. Weather wise, it could not have been more perfect and this will be the MOM talked about for years to come. Actually maybe this year's run should really be titled Moons Beside Miatas as we would hate for there to be false advertising. We'll let Steve figure that one out. Until next time, keep the wheels on the ground and the tops down.

# 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, 4 since our last newsletter.**

Robert McAllister	Santee	(incomplete application)
Steve Frick	San Diego	2003 Classic Red
Sharon & Jon Elshaug	Fallbrook	2005 Razor Blue Metallic

As of August 18th we have 204 memberships (73 single, 131 dual) for a total of 335 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:**

**September 24**

## 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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Mia Culpa



## September Events

		TIME	LOCATION	WHO TO CONTACT?
FRIDAY SEPT 4	CRUISIN' GRAND ESCONDIDO	6PM EAT 7PM CRUISE	TOM'S #23 (SEE ADDRESS BELOW)	STEVE WAID 760.432.0727 OR SWAID@COX.NET
SUNDAY SEPT 6	CORVETTE/MIATA CHALLENGE	9AM TO APPROX 3 PM	BOB STALL CHEVROLET, JUST OFF OF INTERSTATE 8 IN LA MESA	STEVE WAID 760.432.0727 OR SWAID@COX.NET
FRIDAY SEPT 11 THROUGH MONDAY SEPT. 14	ADVENTURE TO THE GRAND CANYON RAILWAY VIA ROUTE 66	TBD	TALK TO MARK BOOTH	MARK & CATHY BOOTH, H (619) 670-3789, M (619) 990-5520, MARKBOOTH@COX.NET
SATURDAY & SUNDAY SEPT. 26 & 27	2009 CORONADO SPEED FESTIVAL	7AM TIL ?	Meet at Tartine 1106 First Street, Coronado, CA, 92118	STEVE WAID 760.432.0727 OR SWAID@COX.NET

### CRUISIN' GRAND ESCONDIDO

**Friday, September 4, 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.



# September Events

## Corvette/Miata Challenge

Sunday, Sept. 6th  
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Meeting Place: Bob Stall Chevrolet, just off of Interstate 8 in La Mesa

Details: A joint event with the Corvette Owners Club of San Diego (COCSD) Run leaves Bob Stall Chevrolet after a 9:15am drivers meeting at approximately 9:30am. The run will take us to K1 Speed Indoor Kart Track in Carlsbad and get us there about 11am. We will split into groups, men and women in separate groups to race. \$45 to drive will get you a qualifying race of 14 laps and a championship race of 16 laps. Trophies given as part of the \$45 to podium winners in each group. There is no cost to come along and watch. After the racing we will go to a nearby restaurant for eating, awards, and fun. Please contact Steve Waid with questions. Also, a preliminary count for racing and for lunch is requested so that we can let K1 know how many groups to set up and for the determination of which restaurant we will use.

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

Location: <http://www.bing.com/maps/default.aspx?v=2&FORM=LMLTCC&cp=32.772861~-117.033857&style=r&lvl=13&tilt=-90&dir=0&alt=-1000&p>



## 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](mailto: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.



# September Events



Saturday and Sunday, September 26th and 27th  
7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Meet: Tartine 1106 First Street, Coronado, CA, 92118

The Coronado Speed Festival is Saturday and Sunday, September 26th and 27th. We have requested the Car Club Corral Passes for SDMC and we should have them sometime in August.



As always, we will plan on meeting at Tartines in Coronado each morning to caravan into the Speed Festival. More exact details will come out later. However, getting tickets and deciding whether to participate in the Car Show would be decisions to be made and action to be taken in advance.

Tickets: To order tickets go to: <http://www.fleetweeksandiego.org/coronadospeedfestival/> and click on the "Tickets Here" button. When you buy and print on line you save \$10. One day pass is \$25, and a two day pass is \$35.

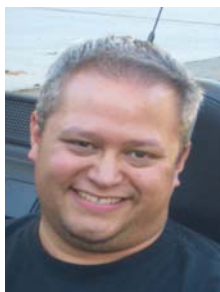
Contact: Steve or Laurie Waid at 760.432.0727 or [swaid@cox.net](mailto:swaid@cox.net).

## Coming Soon—Mark your Calendars!

- \* **October 16, 17 and 18—Oktoberfest Weekend at Big Bear** Contact Diane Foster immediately if you are interested in attending—[dianefoster5@gmail.com](mailto:dianefoster5@gmail.com)
- \* **October 18—SDMC hosts Pueblo Miata Club Run**
- \* **October 24—Miniature Golf Tournament and Run**



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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.

**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](http://www.goodwin-racing.com). 858-775-2810. Special club price on everything.

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**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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