

The newsletter of the San Diego Miata Club

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Membership: the Responsibility and the Benefit

Your membership renewal is due January 1, 2010. An application is included on the next page. Please give it to a member of the Board or your Membership Team with your check for \$35 or mail it to San Diego Miata Club, P.O. Box 421325, San Diego, CA 92142 immediately to avoid being dropped from the membership list.

What are the responsibilities of being a member? Membership is not just about paying your dues, but participating and contributing to the organization—not just financially but with your individual skills and talents.

Your dues help pay for the newsletter production, allow you to receive discounts throughout the county for Miata-related products and services, and generally provide resources for running the club. But without your participation and contribution of skills and talents, money alone could not provide the benefits of fun, camaraderie and enthusiasm that is generated by this Club. This year will provide a real challenge to those who wish to share their club enthusiasm by helping produce Surf N'Safari, sharing ideas through the newsletter, and promoting the fun that is related to our exciting little cars!

Don't miss the fun!



Photo by Mark Booth



San Diego Miata Club Renewal Membership Application

All SDMC memberships expire on December 31 each year. We hope you will continue your membership. Please use this application for your renewal. Thank you for renewing promptly.

Member's Name: _____ Copilot: _____

☐ Check here if you want to receive the newsletter online.

☐ Check here only if your information has not changed; otherwise please update below.

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone and Electronic Mail Information:

Home: _____ Office: _____ Cell: _____

E-mail address: _____

☐ Check here if you do not want your phone number(s) released to members.

Miata Information:

Year: _____ Color: _____ License Plate: _____

Release Statement (must be signed):

I wish to participate in activities and events organized by the San Diego Miata Club. In consideration of the right and privilege to enter and participate in these events, I hereby agree to release the San Diego Miata Club, its officers, organizers, members, sponsors, and vendors from any and all liability for injury, damages, or loss arising from my participation and attendance in any Club activity. *(If spouse or significant other is applying for membership, they must also sign.)*

Signed (member): _____ Date: _____

Copilot: _____ Date: _____

Please return this **signed** application with \$35 check to:

SAN DIEGO MIATA CLUB
P.O. Box 421325
San Diego, CA 92142

If you have questions, contact membership@sandiegomiataclub.org or call (619) 434-2007.
www.sandiegomiataclub.org

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!

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:
January 28

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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Father Time



January Events

		TIME	LOCATION	WHO TO CONTACT?
FRIDAY JAN 1	5TH ANNUAL ROSES RUN	9:15 AM DRIVERS' MEETING	WESTSIDE CAFÉ 912 S. Redwood St. Escondido	RAY CORBYONS
SATURDAY JAN 2	IMPROMPTU RUN WITH THE 'ZONIES	9:00 AM	TOM'S CAFÉ Southwest corner of Centre City Parkway and 5th Ave Escondido	STEVE WAID
SATURDAY JAN 23	RUN TO THE STARS (PALOMAR OBSERVATORY)	10:15 AM	MAZDA OF ESCONDIDO	TERRY & ROLAND SOULE
JAN 29- FEB 1	17TH ANNUAL SJVMC COASTAL CRUISE	FRIDAY MORNING	TBD	DIANE FOSTER EVENTS@ SANDIEGOMIATACLUB. ORG



Don't forget to register for Surf N Safari 10. October 14 - 17, 2010

The [San Diego Miata Club](http://www.sandiegomiataclub.org) welcomes Miata owners and enthusiasts from all over the world to the third Surf 'N' Safari regional event. This four-day event in beautiful north San Diego County promises food, fun, and prizes. Meet old and new friends, drive excellent Miata roads, and have fun in perfect convertible weather... Our two previous Surf 'N' Safari events hosted over 250 participants representing over 25 Miata clubs from the U.S., Canada, Europe, and Australia! Space is limited and **the price goes up on January 1, 2010**. See our website at www.sandiegomiataclub.org, and click on the Surf 'n' Safari 2010 logo. Registration available online.

NEW YEARS 'ROSE' RUN

Friday, Jan 01, 2010

9:15 AM - 3:15 PM



5th Annual Run...Meet time prior for breakfast at Westside Cafe, 912 S. Redwood St. Escondido (between 9th Ave, 1/2 mile East of I-15) After a hearty breakfast we will twist and turn our way thru some beautiful roads ending up in Julian for lunch. We will have time to enjoy the Mtn atmosphere and then proceed twisting and turning our way back down to Escondido. What a glorious way to start the New Year ! Wear layered clothes, temperatures will range 20-30 degrees. Come and find out why we call it "the Rose Run" !!!

DRIVERS MEETING: 9:15 AM

CONTACT: Ray Corbyons rcorbyons@verizon.net

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Impromptu with the Zonies

Saturday, Jan 02, 2010

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM



WHERE: Tom's #23 in Escondido - Southwest corner of Centre City Parkway and 5th Ave.

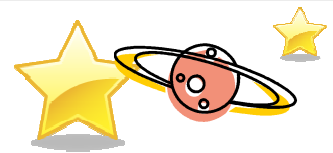
We will develop a run that will drive some north county roads and likely end up in Temecula for a late lunch. Then we can all head home. Other than these ideas, the rest will be impromptu and decided upon at Tom's.

CONTACT: Steve Waid Swaid@cox.net
760.432.0727

'RUN TO STARS' (PALOMAR OBSERVATORY)

Jan 23, 2010

10:15 AM - 3:15 PM



This run will take us up to the Palomar Observatory for a private guided tour just for our club. Tour will begin at 1 PM. More info on the run is to follow... stay tuned !

We will meet at Mazda of Escondido at 10:15AM. Driver's meeting is at 10:45 sharp and we'll move out at the stroke of 11AM. We're looking forward to seeing everyone then!

This event is limited to the first 35-40 folks, please email Terry and Roland Soule to sign up:
soulesantee@aol.com

17th Annual Coastal Cruise

January 29-February 1

It's SDMC's third coastal cruise, but San Joaquin Valley Miata Club's 17th! Each year they start in Fresno on Saturday morning and find a different route to get all of us to coast, spending Saturday night in San Simeon. Usually we drive up to Big Sur (Highway 1) or Monterrey and back to San Simeon for Sunday night, then home on Monday.

Each year that we have participated has been very memorable, with fabulous roads that we otherwise wouldn't have dreamed existed. Great Miata roads! (One of them last year got half of us wanting to turn around and do it all again, it was that great!)

I asked one of the SJVC members if we could do it again this year, but not sure I have that much clout! Their goal is to find different routes to get to the coast from previous years.

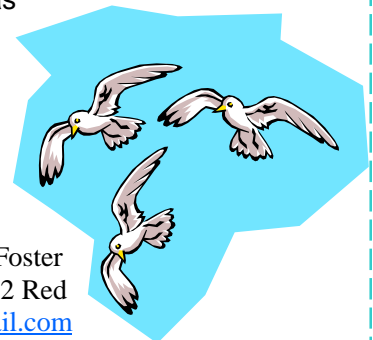
Our club leaves Friday morning, spending the night in Fresno. We have stayed at the Ramada Inn (approx \$90), has dinner with the their club and then meet at Denny's Saturday morning to begin the run. Their club arranges a special discount at Courtesy Inn (\$45/night). We would stay there Saturday and Sun-

day (805-927-4691 and tell them you are with the Miata Club). Dinner Saturday night is at Linn's in Cambria. It was a delightful meal, and the restaurant is reserved for just us!

Bill Morris is heading up their club event and needs a head count from us for dinner RSVP's, so if you are going on this run, please let me know so I can let Bill know.

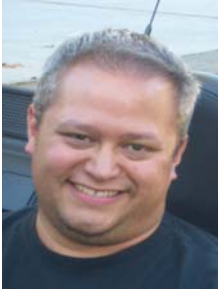
This started with just three of us in 2008 joining the SJVC. Last year we had quite a few more folks join in for a fabulous weekend. I'll guarantee you won't be disappointed; ask any one who has done this one!

I have received a special rate of \$82 at Ramada Inn. I will send an email out with the information for Friday night reservations as soon as I can. Meanwhile, mark your calendars for that weekend. When you know you are definitely going please give me an email or phone call.



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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!

Westcott Mazda. National City. 619-474-1591. Discount: 15% on parts or labor (except oil changes).

Other Services

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!

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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

Super-fun red 1991 Miata MX-5 with aftermarket hardtop and storage rack zips along like a dream; 5-speed manual, black interior, 141,400 miles, adjustable KYB shocks, radio/CD player, chassis braces, alloy wheels, new battery, lovingly maintained by Dennstedt, \$3800. Change in lifestyle. Marilyn Laurence, 619-461-2960, marilyn.laurence@sbcglobal.net

For sale: Nearly new Roadstersport Race exhaust for NC and glass-pack baffle, \$120.00. Roland Soule, (858) 404-4375 soulesantee@aol.com

1997 Miata, red, black cloth interior, 60k miles, 30k miles on new factory motor. 5 spd, clear title, low profile headlights, wood steering wheel, ps, manual windows, a/c. \$4,100. Call Chuck Graham, 619.654.0555.

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.

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 swaid@cox.net

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