



June 2019

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May the 4th Be With You Run by Julie and Terry Thompson

Photos by Mark Booth



We've been on a dozen or so runs but this was The trip up to our first as the run leader. We can now proudly the top of Palomar Mountain was certainly enterdisplay our SDMC magnetics. Special thanks taining with very few OTMs in and amongst our goes out to Steve Waid for doing the pre-run (a parade of cars as we ventured up Lake Wohlford few rocky roads) with me and pointing out all the Road. We were ahead of our planned schedule for great places to queue up, how to do rolling the entire run, even with the unanticipated flag queues and when to go fast.

Thanks to Steve and Laurie for doing a great job sweeping on the run. On Saturday morning, May 4th, one of the few Saturdays that we had sun lately, 15 cars (27 drivers/navigators) gathered at Westfield Mall (formerly the North County Fair) in Escondido. The morning started out with an interesting twist: a young couple had just purchased an NB and had driven it down from _ NORCAL, earlier in the week and had looked on the SDMC website (event calendar) for this morning's run. Here they were attending their first run after only having their Miata for a week! Hopefully we'll see them at the May meeting! This shows the importance of keeping a relevant website (thanks to Dan Garcia) and an up to

date Events Calendar (thanks to Ed Grant). The drivers' meeting focused on the Star Wars theme with several members sporting their t-shirts from the past. I was also surprised with a belated birthday gift of the "Joey Heatherton" muffler (thanks to Jackie and Bob Van Hook). Staying

with our Star Wars theme, we ventured to the Palomar Observatory, with a visit to the 200" Hale Telescope.



men creating a forced queue up halfway up the mountain. Who in their right mind, works on Saturday?

We ventured through Mesa Grande to squeeze in a couple of extra twisties! This included "Red Leader" (Obi-Wan Thompson) using the force for guidance instead of the run directions. This led to a slight delay as the rest of the group paused in

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Mid-Week Temecula Backcountry Grand Tour - Held April 3rd, 2019

By George Watson

I really don't know what to say; it was much like any other run. We had 7 cars. I think.

New Member Holly Hauske did sweep duties.

We started on the top deck of the Pechanga Casino only for the views of the Temecula Valley From there, we headed south from there. through the Pechanga and Pala reservations. Then we headed for Fallbrook and eventually to the De Luz area West of Temecula. The roads were definitely country roads with short straightaways, lots of corners, and canopied trees over the road. Some roads had water flows from the streams flowing over them. We drove some inclines greater that 20 degrees, off -camber corners, deep valleys. There were lots of fruit orchards for fragrance and high hills for views of the Pacific Ocean 17 miles away and of the Temecula valley.

It was more of a low-speed tour of the backcountry only 5 miles outside of Temecula.

If you would like to see 9 minute video of a section of the run, follow the attached instructions. Let me know what you think about the videos. This video found in the SDMC folder/ Edited Mid-Week TBCGT folder File name: Mid-Week TBCGT 6.mp4 is an edited file with music added.

Files found in the folder Mid-Week Temecula Backcountry Gran Tour are unedited with raw sound.

If you view any of the files, please critique them for me.

This run is similar to the run I'm planning for on Sunday, June 2nd, 2019. This run will include a car meet. If 20 members show up we will have an section roped off for us to display. Shortly before the meet ends, we will start on a short drive of about 55 miles and end up back in Temecula at Burger's and Beer for lunch.

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The Two Hour Run

By Ed Grant

It started out on brisk sunny Saturday morning; 23 adventurers people showed up in anticipation of a leisurely run.

Yours truly (for those of you who don't know who yours truly is, it is I Ed Grant) was the leader (with his lady love, Chloe, and that lovely couple Jon and Melinda Conner was the sweep.

We started out on Hwy. 76 heading East to Cole Grade Road which I promptly passed by. Thank you, Laurie Waid, for your eagle eye spotting the road sign well after my U turn.

We continued on to our only rest stop, at the Valley Center Library. We hung a right at Valley Center Rd. Traffic was surprisingly light. We then turned right onto Lilac Rd. to West Lilac Rd. to Camino Del Rey, where we turned left. We drove through some picturesque scenery with horses near the San Luis Rey Downs race track. We then turned left onto old Hwy. 395 to Hwy. 76 where we turned right onto Rice Canyon Rd.

That led us to Rainbow Valley Road. Which took us to Old Highway 395 again, and to the Rainbow Oaks Restaurant where we upheld our tradition of driving to EAT.

The run was approximately 50 miles of relaxing driving. We queued up a few times (I was responsible for one, with my u-turn) due to those pesky OTM's.

We started with 23 people, and 20 of us enjoyed lunch together. For those of you who couldn't attend the run, well, you missed a good one.

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Who Buys a Miata?

By John Telles

There are probably a million different answers, but this is what I've seen so far in my first year in the club.

- 1) The "mid-life crisis guy" (me). He had a sports car when he was young, but he got married 31 years ago. Sedans and minivans followed (actually, for my 9 kids I wore out both a Chevy and a Ford fullsized 12-passenger van). Still not done working, but he's got some extra cash and some freedom. Time for some fun again!
- 2) The Fanatic. He hasn't bought a Miata. He's bought 6 Miata's. He has an NA, a 10AE NB, 3 NC's, and he's on his second ND.
- 3) The kid. It's his first car and cost him only \$1500, looks like a junker, but it's got a turbo and coilovers, so that's cool. He's already finished the Novice class and he's got plans.
- 4) The Cutie in her Convertible. Yes, women love Miatas. Nearly half the time I am driving and look over at a Miata, there's a woman driving it or in the passenger seat. Are those eye lashes on the lights? Wave!
- 6) The Retirees. Lots of these in the Club. He and his wife have plenty of time and enjoy their quirky Club friends even more than twisties in the Miata. "Where are we going next?"
- 7) The Collector. He's got a Miata, and a wide assortment of classics, trucks, RV's, muscle cars, jet skis, motorcycles and a backhoe.
- 8) The "I'm back!" owner. Returning from a foray into some OTM that had too much horse-

power and not as much sheer joy as her original Miata.

- 9) The RRrracerrrr. He has a highly modified Miata, and another one that's not actually running right now. He's talking tires and Laguna Seca and Track Days and racing lines and Regionals.
- 10) The Yellow guy. The nonconformist of the Club. Nobody with a red one knows why, but his car is yellow.
- 11) The "I've gotta have it" owner who makes us all envious, buying the new model year, the nice one, with more horsepower and all those cool new features and the hot new color.
- 12) The Confused. They show up at the Club event in a Civic, or a Mustang, or a Corvette or a BMW. What? Forgot your Miata?
- 13) The guy in the neighborhood with the Miata in the garage. It doesn't go anywhere anymore. It needs some work, and he's too busy, but no way he's selling it. It's part of his life he won't let go. He'll be back.
- 14) The Autocrosser. Loves the balance and agility of his car. Not as serious as the track guys, but definitely loving the competition and occasional spinouts with cones flying. He's got the confidence to handle the Miata Runs from the front of the pack.
- 15) The Disciple. He doesn't own a Miata yet, but he's so curious that he's checking out the Club. A seeker for truth and wisdom coming to the source. Yes, yes, it's true! You're gonna love it. Buy one!

T&T

Surf 'N Safari Survey - Introduction by Gene Streeter

If you attended April's monthly meeting, there was a significant showing of hands indicating interest in hosting Surf 'N Safari V in the fall of 2020. I'd like to think it was my presentation of the concept, but I know better. It was likely Laurie Waid's recounting of the details and the memory jogs in all of you that planned, executed, and participated in any of our previous versions. (Or, perhaps Steve's insistence the Car Show was one of the 2015 highlights.) Quite a few of you have enjoyed all four of them. Want a refresher? Or, just want an account of the festivities? Have a look at the November, 2015 Newsletter, archived and linked on our website.

Let's Get Serious About Our Fun

You should have a sense of SDMC's reputation within the Miata community for holding "the" regional event to attend. Realize that many of the most memorable events in our own club history are tied to each of the four distinctly different versions in three different resort venues. It's well-established that planning needs to begin eighteen months in advance. Hence, the urgency around this survey.

While there was a good meeting turnout, your Board wants to reach as many members as possible to more accurately gauge the levels of interest and commitment to the process. No matter how engaged the Surf 'N Safari a Committee, its Chairman (I've volunteered, with my wife's permission), the Fun Team, or the Board might be, we can't do this without you as partygoers and volunteers. I've attached a volunteer outline to provide some concrete details. We'll also need committee members over the entire planning process. Personally, I enjoyed the string of those meetings and emails. Plus, it allowed most of us to develop new and deeper friendships.

Here's what you need to do. Scan or print and complete the survey (page 6) Board Secretary Julie Thompson has prepared for this effort. Depending on your preferences, you can email it to(secretary@sandiegomiataclub.org) or send a hard copy addressed to Julie Thompson. Her mailing address is 952 Bittersweet St. Escondido, CA 92026

Your prompt response(s) will determine whether or not we undertake and host the fifth edition of our nearly-patented Surf 'N Safari event. Thank you.

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Example Only: Surf 'N Safari Volunteer Needs

Thursday:

Hospitality Suite: None

Gazebo: Noon until 7 PM

Help with registration Answer questions Sell raffle tickets

6 volunteers (two 2 hour shifts of 2 people and one 3 hour shift of 2 people)

Fun Team: 1 volunteer to assist with run sign-up (Fun Team will provide)

Friday:

Hospitality Suite: 9 AM to 6 PM.

Answer questions Help visitors as needed Sell raffle tickets

8 volunteers (three 2 hour shifts of 2 people and one 3 hour shift of 2 people)

Gazebo: 8 AM to 6 PM

Help with registration Answer questions Sell raffle tickets

10 volunteers (Five 2 hour shifts of 2 people)

Fun Team: 8 AM to 10 AM

3 volunteers (1 at Gazebo and 2 to assist with run coordination/departure) (Fun Team will pro-

vide)

Barbeque: Welcome guests

Check people in (by checking lanyards)

2 volunteers (SNS Committee)

Saturday:

Hospitality Suite: 9 AM to 4 PM

Answer questions Help visitors as needed

6 volunteers (two 2 hour shifts of 2 people and one 3 hour shift of 2 people)

Gazebo: 8 AM to Noon

Answer questions

4 volunteers (two 2 hour shifts of 2 people)

Fun Team: None

Banquet: Welcome guests

Check people in (by checking lanyards)

2 volunteers (SNS Committee)

Sunday:

Hospitality Suite: 8 AM to Noon

4 volunteers (Two 2 hour shifts of 2 people)

Gazebo: None Fun Team: None

Throughout SNS:

Car wash station: 1 volunteer (Put out buckets/washing materials in AM and removed in PM) (Fun Team to

provide)

Car show judges: <u>3 volunteers</u> (Fun Team to provide)
Raffle Coordinator: <u>1 volunteer</u> (Dell Pound has volunteered)

Run Leaders/Sweeps: TBD (Fun Team to provide)



SDMC MEMBER SURVEY
NAME:
CONTACT INFORMATION:
EMAIL ADDRESS:
DAYTIME PHONE:
(IF DIFFERENT)
EVENING PHONE:
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EVENT HELD EVERY 5 YEARS IN SAN DIEGO:
ERTAINMENT
OR 300/COUPLE TO ATTEND THE WEEKEND EVENT?
PLANNING COMMITTEE? (REQUIRES ATTENDING REGULAR MEETINGS/MONTHLY GETS CLOSER/ POSSIBLY VIRTUAL MEETINGS)
NEXT TO THE SUB-COMMITTEE/COMMITTEES ON WHICH YOU WOULD YOU BE IN-
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 SPONSORSHIP/BUSINESS ADS
 REGISTRATIONS ON LINE
 PROGRAM/POINTS OF INTEREST
 LIASON TO HOTEL/MEALS
 RUNS/CAR EVENTS
 HOSPITALITY SUITE

REGALIA/PRE-ORDER

____ CAR CARE AREA

____ DECORATIONS

____ ENTERTAINMENT **BANQUET**

____ RAFFLES

OTHER COMMENTS:

Behind the Wheel

Behind the Wheel

'as told to Lynn Nolan by Les Smith'

Les Smith



1993 Miata Limited Edition (LE) ... what we now know as special editions. This was the only year Miata offered a Brilliant Black exterior and red leather interior. Mine is #1377 of 1500 sold in the United States and was named 93NOIR by my late wife Dyanna. Now just past 190,000 miles, it has survived fire damage to the rear quarter section after being set afire by a 14-year-old pyromaniac and several years of hard use by grandson during his first five years of driving. I'll always be grateful to Wally Stevens and Rocky Murphy for replacing the clutch during Dyanna's illness when vehicle upkeep was the least of our worries, and to Larry Dennstedt for countless hours of repair work while troubleshooting a fuel flow issue after my grandson returned 93NOIR to me. Friends who ride with me and who drive it cannot believe it's" 26 years old! I just recently have gotten back into 93NOIR after parking it for four months while doctors tried to figure out what was wrong with my right leg, and then for another two months while recovering from a total right hip replacement. I also have a 2007 Copper Red PRHT.

I have been a club member since 2001. Dyanna had wanted a Miata since it was introduced, and our real search for one began at Steve and Laurie Waid's palatial estate. The following Saturday we test-drive five used Miatas (the sale of four involved pregnancies!) and we grabbed the 1993 Limited Edition after several club members educated us about the treasure we had unknowingly stumbled upon.



I grew up in Elizabeth, West Virginia, a town of about 800 people 20 miles from the Parkersburg on the Ohio River. Few people have ever heard of Elizabeth; it missed its place in history when oil was discovered in Titusville, Pennsylvania, three years earlier than it was nearby.

I earned both my bachelors and masters degrees in Broadcasting at Marshall University in Huntington, West Virginia, the tri-state area where West Virginia, Ohio and Kentucky meet. Marshall fields fairly good football teams these days; during my first four years there, though, Marshall had more college presidents than football victories.

My early positions were in marketing public relations for a Chicago newspaper, a public TV station, two school districts, and then the San Diego Symphony after we relocated here in 1987. Today, PR is an endangered, if not extinct, field in San Diego so I was forced to "reinvent" myself as some people refer to the process. I first assisted a man in Carlsbad who had developed a brilliant program for managing employee performance who was attempting, unsuccessfully, to broaden his client base locally. Next, four years with a La Jolla firm working with clients who wanted to change careers (I suppose as I was changing mine). Then, in my early fifties, I finally succumbed to teaching, the occupation of many others in my family, and earned a teaching credential at Point Loma Nazarene University. Providence opened the door to Barrett High School, which I termed "Juvenile Hall in the woods for a year," where I taught Algebra, Geometry and plain old life lessons to young men 16 to 19 years old, most of whom had had a lousy time in school up to that point. As I once told San Diego's County Superintendent of Schools, it was a position in which I could measure success by the hour. Now, I substitute for third, fourth and fifth grade teachers (ideally one day a week) at the elementary school just around the corner from my house. I truly enjoy spending a day and making

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May the Fourth be with You, cont'd from Page 1 time to enjoy his circular maneuver bringing his Tie Fighter(NA) back on course, a great disturbance was felt in the force (laughter/cat calls over the CB). We stopped at Jeremys on the Hill for lunch in Santa Ysabel. Theresa and her staff did a great job in the set up (reserved); service and food were amazing. This was possibly the first time SDMC had been to this restaurant, but based on the comments, I'm sure we'll be back!



After lunch, we took Old Julian Hwy on our way to Ramona and then returned to Escondido via Highland Valley Road. Thanks again to all who participated!

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Les Smith, cont'd

learning enjoyable with students in this age range.

If I could have done anything in life (careerwise) it would have been as an airline pilot. At least I thought so until one flight in which the plane was in "weather" with zero visibility from the tie we took off util about two seconds before touch-down. The whole time I kept imagining what it must be like in the cockpit staring into fog, relying totally on brightly-lit instruments. That's when I decided I didn't belong any further forward in a plane than where the drink cart can be pushed.

I particularly enjoy restaurants serve fresh seafood, Italian food or big thick burgers and cold beer. No local favorites, although I enjoy trying new places within these types. My all-time favorite restaurant was a crab place in St. Michaels, Maryland on Chesapeake Bay.

Favorite movies? The English Patient (particularly the scene in which Juliette Binoche is being "flown" around the cathedral on a rope, holding a lighted torch, to see the paintings on the ceiling), The Big Chill, and Easy Rider.

Music? '60s Rock and Roll, Dave Matthews, U2, Journey, violinist Joshua Bell and John Prine. Carlos Varela too, although I don't understand Spanish.

My leisure time is divided among my model railroad club and its layout at Grossmont Center, building my own layout at home in a baby grand piano, ushering at The Old Globe and La Jolla Playhouse. I'll also complete a 3 1/2-year term in June as Lay Leader of First United Methodist Church in Mission Valley (responsibilities that have kept me from taking on positions elsewhere).

Maybe not known: That education thing is actually in my blood. My great, great, great, great, great, great, great great grandfather Ralph Wheelock, born in England in 1600, was a Puritan who came to the American Colonies in 1637. He organized and taught in the first school supported entirely by public funds; thus, is considered the first public school teacher in the Americas. And I didn't learn about this until after I retired!



A Different Perspective

Dona Thompson



Elinor Shack

Mike and I drive a 2018 Soul Red Crystal MX-5 Miata and have been a member since 1998. I enjoy driving my Miata but much prefer relaxing and enjoying the scenery as a passenger.

Barb Shev and Sue Hinkle initially introduced Mike and I to the Miata club and we are now enjoying our 4th Miata.

I still laugh as I remember the time we shared a 4 bedroom room at the Madonna Inn with Pam and David Hunt, Barb and John Templeton, Sue and Jack Hinkle. It was Saturday night, and the Miata club members were taking turns visiting each room. When it came time to visit the room we were sharing, the men (Mike, David, John and Jack) came down the stairs wearing boxer shorts painted with bright red flames. What a sight that was !!!

The Puke run was always an interesting run to say the least. On one of the Puke runs, Helen rolled her car into a field. As an RN, I offered to be with her as she was taken by ambulance to Palomar Hospital emergency room. Her daughter came to the hospital to be with her. When the run was over and we were eating at Dalton's Road House, we looked up and in walked Helen. She was released from the Emergency room and wanted to finish the run with the rest of the group.

My favorite local event was on Presidents Day with Aly as the run leader. We went to out-of-the-way places that I had not seen before and drove to a lot of Dead End streets. The name of the run? You guessed it 'Dead Presidents Run'. What a fun day.

Always up for an adventure, Mike and I joined the Hunt's, Templeton's, Hinkle's & Barb Shev on a road trip to Miatas in Moab. Along the way, we all decided to go on a side trip to ride the Durango train. When we made the reservations we opted to spend more money and rent the Open Car section of the train. I am sure it is a beautiful ride in the warm summer, but it turned out that the temperature was so cold that it started to snow. The blankets that the train personnel offered us were of little help.

The camaraderie we feel among the members has made joining the SDMC club one of our best decisions ever. It has become a big part of our social life and we feel blessed that we have formed strong relationships that will last a life time.

GREGG's Goals

The fundraiser is less than a month away -

June 8 - 3 pm-7:30 pm

We would love to see you here and we appreciate your support, so, if you are planning on coming, but haven't yet paid, here is how you do it:

Go to www.wwggd.org and click 'donate button' on the first page **OR** sign into 'Paypal' and send to wwggd68@yahoo.com

OR via snail mail to: Gregg's Goals 1843 Da Gama Ct., Escondido, CA 92026.

When you pay please send us an e-mail that says you are coming and how many.

(\$35/person thru June 1 - \$40/person after that)

Thanks again for your support of the program!!!

Events Information

June 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat 1
2 7:45 am—11:30 am Sunday Morning Fun Run	3	4	5	5	7 6 pm—10 pm Cruisin' Grand 2019	8 3 pm-7:30 pm 11th Annual Greg's Goal's Fundraiser
9	10	11	12	13	14 Flag Day	15
16 Father's Day	17	18 Flyin' Miata Summer Camp	19 Flyin' Miata Summer Camp	20 9 am -3 pm Miatas at the Fair	21 Flyin' Miata Summer Camp	22 Flyin' Miata Summer Camp
23 Flyin' Miata Summer Camp	24	25	26	27 SDMC Monthly Meeting 7pm—8pm	28	29
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San Diego Miata Club June Events

Cruisin' Grand 2019

The **first Friday** of every month SDMC invades Escondido for an evening of vintage Hot Rods, Muscle cars and Boulevard Cruisers to the sounds of early Rock and Roll.

We meet at Tom's #23 on the Southwest corner of Center City Parkway and 5th.St. for a 6 to 7 P.M. dining and social hour, at 7 P.M. we head 1 mile North to Grand Ave. and then cruise Grand Ave. Following our cruise, we park and walk Grand Ave. for about an hour at which time we gather back at the cars and decide what we will do for our `REQUIRED` "pie and or ice cream run".

For details contact Steve and Laurie at 760-432-0727 or swaid@cox.net.

Sunday June 2nd:

Sunday Fun Run and Car Show being led

by George and Elsa Watson.

This car show will present all or at least many Exotic, Sport cars, Muscle cars and Vintage cars.

George`s runs are always full of Twists and Turns and the FOOD afterwards is always welcome.

Tuesday June 18th to Sunday June 23:

Flyin' Miata Summer Camp

Wednesday June 20th:

9 am—3 pm Miatas at the Fair

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Membership

By Chris & Linda Jones

June 2019

Welcome to our newest members...

Paul Harrah & Jessica Geissinger Santee 1991 Crystal White

Jeff & Karen Ridenour Lancaster 2019 Soul Red Crystal Metallic

Our Club's numbers as of 2/15/2019

137 memberships (41 single, 96 dual) for a total of 233 members.

Some general Membership info:

Revised membership renewal form (rev. 1/28/2019) is now posted on the SDMC website where it can be downloaded, filled out, and printed. Go to: http://sandiegomiataclub.org/for_members/index.html -- look for "Renewal Application" on that page. Cost: The **\$5 late fee** kicked in on January 31st, so renewal is now total of **\$40** for the remainder of 2019.

<u>Membership Roster</u>. This updated file is posted on the SDMC-List in Yahoo! Groups. Look for "Files" tab, then "SDMC MEMBER ROSTER" for download. This is only available to active SDMC members, so please don't share the information outside the Club.

<u>Join SDMC-List</u>. If you want to get added, send an email request to us and we'll initiate the autogenerated invitation to join. Include your name and email in the request.

Questions? Updates to your membership information? Email us at membership@SanDiegoMiataClub.org and ask.

Thanks!

Chris Jones & Linda Southard Your SDMC Membership Team membership@SanDiegoMiataClub.org

Upcoming Events Elsewhere

Remember, all the most

up-to-date and complete information for our events is on our website at www.sandiegomiataclub.org

Check there regularly for changes and additional details!

Flyin' Miata Summer Camp June 20-23, 2019

https://www.flyinmiata.com/news/summercamp/

Texas Miata Round-up

2019 Texas Miata Round-Up September 20, 21 & 22nd, 2019

https://texasmiataroundup.com/

Miatas at Laguna Seca 30th Anniversary

October 11-13, 2019 Sign-ups June 15, 2019 9 AM PST https://www.miatasatmazdaraceway.com/

Interesting Club Statistics

By Terry Thompson

The San Diego Miata Club has a large variety of Miatas, and the mix of models, but is more even that I would have assumed.

The NC has the narrowest of margins to lead for the "Largest Class" award. This will shift as "The California Poppies" arrive in July.

There are 33 NA's. Great cars that just keep on going.

There are 36 NB's that can't be stopped.

There are 37 NC's leading the largest class by a nose.

There are 35 ND's. Popularity growing (7 are RF's. 28 are ST's)

Total Miata's in the club are 141, as of 5/17/19.

That's lots of very nice Miata owners to have fun with.

"You meet the nicest people in a Miata"

The color chart continues to be dominated by "Red"

Red = 54

Blue = 23

White = 17

Grev = 13

Black = 12

Yellow = 8

Silver = 8

Green = 3

Orange = 3

Member Classified Ads

Classified adds will be published for paid members on a space available basis. Adds will run for a maximum of 90 days.

ND Miata MX-5 2016 Launch edition: Manual transmission, soft top 29,080 miles:. Reduced to \$17,900

New run flat tires : good sway bars: Goodwin sport exhaust (original exhaust comes with car)

Contact Wally Stevens at: wallymiata@gmail.com; text or call 619-203-2801

94 Red R Package car (non power steering, non power windows, does have A/C, as only option available on an R package)

5 Speed manual

113,000 miles (timing belt done at \sim 70,000 mile by Rocky's)

Custom 9 way adjustable Bilstein shocks (only 2 sets ever made, custom made for my car) Racing Beat front sway bar

New Power Stop slotted rotors and pads (all 4 wheels done)

New Interstate battery

New Falken Azenis RT615K+ tires (195/60-14)

New inner and outer shifter boots

Monster Motorsports roll bar

Tan Robbins top (originally was black but PO replaced with tan, for a more "upscale" look) Lots of things done or are included but too much to list

Please contact me via email to start. lisaandmike@san.rr.com

T&T

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 Old Hamburger Factory Family Restaurant, 14122 Midland Road, Poway 92064 To contact the restaurant, call (858) 486-4575.

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.

Dues

Dues are \$35 all year, for either an individual or a dual membership (two members in the same household). Renewals after January 31 are subject to a \$5 late fee. New members joining the first half of the year pay \$35. Those who join in the second half of the year pay \$20.

Badges

Have you noticed those engraved plastic name badges that other members wear? Would you like to get one? You can now order them on-line from fellow Miata enthusiast, Joe Portas – the KnobMeister. The .pdf order form is available on our SDMC website. These popular magnetic badges are priced at \$6 each, plus shipping.



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

Follow these steps:

- Go to http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SDMC-List (capitalization matters!).
- 2. Click "Join This Group!"
- If you have a Yahoo account, log in. If you do not, click "Sign Up" and follow the instructions.
- 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.
- Complete remaining selections, perform Word Verification, and click the "Join" button.
- Your SDMC membership will be verified. The verification and approval process June take several days.
- 8. For complete instructions and club email etiquette go to http://www.sandiegomiataclub.org/for-members/sdmc-list-events.html

any vendors offer discounts to Miata Club members. The Club does not endorse these vendors, but lists them as a membership benefit. Some offers June 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 (30-35 words). Contact newsletter@sandiego miataclub.org for additional information.

Automotive Services

American Battery. Miata batteries and all other batteries. 525 W. Washington Escondido, 760.746.8010. Contact Jeff HartJuneer. Fleet discount on all products.

Auto Image Paintless Dent Repair, leather/vinyl/plastic repair, headlight restoration & paint touch up. Free estimates at your home or work. Contact Britt Colton. 619.244.2227, Discount: 10%

Bumper Rescue, Bumper, body and collision repair with excellent quality and paint matching. Near Rocky's old location. Free estimates and free Uber rides back home once you drop off your car. 10% off with mention of this ad. Contact Shay at 619.286.7377.

Dent Time. fast reasonable paintless dent removal. 800.420.DENT 93368). They come to your door, provide quick and professional service.

Express Tire. Auto repair, tires. 12619 Poway Rd., Poway. 858.748.6330. Manager Dick Dolan. Discount 10% on parts & labor incl. tires.

Geri's Bazaar—custom Miata luggage made to fit your specific Miata. Free embroidery to SDMC members. **WWW.SHOP GERI- BAZAAR.COM** or phone 843.754.8815

Good-Win Racing LLC. Miata intakes, exhausts, shocks, springs & goodies from Racing Beat, Moss & more. Www.goodwinracing.com Special club pricing on Roadster-Sports Items only. 858.775.2810.

Hawthorne Wholesale Tire. Tires, wheels, brakes & suspension. 877 Rancheros Dr, San Marcos. Discount. 10% 760.746.6980.

Knobmeister Quality Images. 3595 Gray Cir. Elbert CO 80106-9652. Joe Portas, joe@knobmeister.com . 303.730.6060.

Langka Corp. Guaranteed paint chip and restoration products. 800.945.4532. www.langka.com Discount. 30%.

Rocky's Miatamotive 696 Naples St. Chula Vista 91911 858.273.2547. Discount: 10% on labor.

Lutz Tire & Service Alignment specialist, tires. 2853 Market St San Diego 619.234.3535. Ask for Mike. Discount. 10% on parts (tires not included).

Pitstop Autoglass. Rock chip repairs free to SDMC members. Must show membership card. In-shop only. 858.675.GLASS (4527)

Porterfield Enterprises Brake pads, rotors. 1767 Placentia Ave Costa Mesa 949.548.4470. Discount: 15% on Porterfield & Hawke brake pads, \$10 off rotors, \$9.25 per pt of Motul 600 brake fluid.

Smart Car Care Store—SDMC members received 10% discount. 2260 Main St., Suite 3, Chula Vista 91911 619.575.9274 or 1217 Simpson Way, Escondido, 92029 760.871.8000 smartcarcareproducts.com

Stuart Terry Auto. Specializing in Miata A/C problems, recommended by Rocky's Miatamotive. 4858 El Cajon Blvd. SD 92115. 6129.287.9626. Ask for Stuart, 10% discount on parts & labor to \$50

Thompson Automotive. Cool Miata accessories, oil filter relocation kits, gauge kits, air horns, brakes, Voodoo knobs & MORE Discount. 10% 949.366.0322. www.thompsonautomotive.com

TJM Enterprises (formerly Magnolia Auto body) Restorations, Body Work. 10027 Prospect Ave. Santee. 619.562.7861 Ask for TJ. Discount: 10% on parts and labor.

Tri-City Paint. Professional detailing, products, paint, airbrushes, car covers. West Miramar:858.909.2100, Santee: 619.448.9140. Discount: body shop price #CM6660

World Famous Car Wash. Complete professional car care, detail, hand wax, leather treatment. Free shuttle service. 7215 Clairemont Mesa Blvd. SD 858.495.2974. 10% discount.

Mazda Dealerships

Mazda of El Cajon. 619.590.3700. Discount 10% on parts & labor. VIP Membership: 3 oil changes for \$19.95 with \$5 going to Rady's Childrens Hospital.

Mazda of Escondido. 858.395.9990 (Cell) or 760.755.9531/01. Discount: 20% on most parts; 15% on labor (except smog, oil changes, and tire rotation). For purchase, ask for **Barb Sullivan** and get free SDMC membership for 1 year.

Westcott Mazda. National City. Discount 15% on parts exclusive of oil changes. 619.474.1591.

Other Services

David Bryan, your friendly neighborhood REALTOR; Coldwell Banker West Realty. I sell garages with homes! SDMC members who buy or sell a home through me receive a 1 year free home warranty. 619.672.0493. DavidBrealtor@cox.net. DRE#01009295.

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