

Miata Club of America
PugetSound Chapter

NEWSLETTER

January 1990

We've started !! Our first meeting was held December 10, 1989. It's minutes are attached... We didn't receive a listing of local Miata Club of America members until a few days before the meeting, so the word about the meeting didn't get out. Still, it was a good start and a lot of fun! We decided that we would explore a variety of activities until the club's membership firmed up and specific interests are identified.

Initially (and maybe longer) we will maintain an informal and simple approach in organization and activities. In addition to getting oriented, sharing information, roughing out some plans, toasting our start with champagne, touring over to Yarrow Bay, and taking pictures of this gathering of Miatas, we had a "scripture" reading (a column from ROAD & TRACK) with good ol' "Amens !"

Hopefully, we will find we have some journalism types amongst us (as opposed to engineers) and a proper and quality newsletter will evolve.

Look through the attached information and plan on joining us at our next meeting. We have some tremendous resources for enjoying our Miatas in the Puget Sound - scenery, moderate climate, mountain roads, good Mazda support, reportedly an autocross club, enjoyable people, and a relaxed environment!!!

MEETING NOTICE

January 14, 1990, 2:30 pm, University Mazda, 4546 Roosevelt Way, Seattle, Washington. After a short meeting, Dick Sandaas will provide us with a tour to an unknown destination. The meeting room is over the showroom and accessed through the shop.

John Robison is getting us some new Miata accessory catalogs, and you can pick up your discount cards. Join us, it's another place to drive your Miata!!!

Bill Allen

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MINUTES
Meeting Number 1
December 10, 1989

Attendees

- o Dick & Karen Sandaas
- o Betty Gullede & Donn Bennett
- o Dick & Michael Goe
- o Bill & Glenda Allen
- o Rolfe Lystad

Agenda

The "Tentative Agenda" and its references (attached) were used as a basis for the meeting. Discussion of the items produced the decisions and action responsibilities noted below.

Parts and accessory discount cards from University Mazda were distributed to those present.

Dick Sandaas advised the H2S (sour gas) odor occasionally experienced in the Miata is a cold idle richness adjustment problem which the dealer can tune out.

On sharing good drive routes, Dick Goe cited the West side of the Green River between Kent and Tukwila. The road on the South side of Mount Ranier is also a lot of fun.

On noting that Miata owner, Nora Daniel is in Forks, Wa., an annual "Tour de Forks" was suggested.

Dick Sandaas read Peter Egan's column from the January issue of ROAD & TRACK which was followed by solumn "amens". We then toasted the first chapter meeting with his champagne and disposed of it.

Our caravan of four Miata's and one MGB (Miata admirer Lystad's) proceeded to Carillon Point Plaza for photo opportunities and crowd drawing.

Decisions

It was agreed that membership in the chapter would be established by 1) membership in the Miata Club of America and 2) signing the membership roster at the second meeting attended.

Meetings will be scheduled on the second sunday afternoons of the month (2:30 PM).

The next meeting will be held in University Mazda's meeting room.

The "charter officers" are interim, and the first annual election of officers will be held at the June, 1990 meeting.

We will "sample" various car club type activities for the first six months and then select the types of events we want to focus on for our club.

Action Items

Betty Gulledge will develop alternatives for consideration as a club "badge".

Dick Sandaas will draft a brief and simple organizational description as our constitution and by-laws.

✓ Bill Allen will mail our next meeting notice/newsletter to the people on the MCA member list for our area.

Dick Sandaas will plan a "tour" for the January meeting event.
(Pray for dry roads!)

Dick Goe will explore a discount from Auburn Valley Mazda.

✓ Bill Allen will draft an activity calendar for 1990.

Bill Allen will get information on the Portland area Miata Club chapter.

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1990 Calendar

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| January 14, 1990 | <u>Tour</u> - TBA - Dick Sandaas | University Mazda |
| February 11, 1990 | <u>Tech Session</u> - Care - John Robison | University Mazda |
| March 11, 1990 | <u>Rally</u> - "Hound & Hare" - Bill Allen | University Mazda |
| April 8, 1990 | <u>Autocross/Solo II</u> - TBA - TBA TBA | |
| May 13, 1990 | <u>T/S/D Rally</u> - TBA - TBA | Snoqualmie Falls |
| June 10, 1990 | <u>Tour/Elections</u> - TBA - Betty Gulledge | University Mazda |
| July 8, 1990 | <u>Autocross/Solo II</u> - TBA -TBA TBA | |
| August 12, 1990 | <u>"Tour de Forks"</u> - TBA | Forks, Washington |
| September 9, 1990 | <u>T/S/D Rally</u> - TBA - TBA | Levenworth, Wash. |
| October 14, 1990 | <u>TBA</u> - TBA - TBA | University Mazda |
| November 11, 1990 | <u>Tour</u> - TBA - TBA | Portland, Oregon |
| December 9, 1990 | <u>Party</u> - ! - Bill Allen | Bellevue, Wash. |

Calendar is currently tentative. Meeting time is 2:30 pm. For specifics, see last newsletter or call Bill or Glenda Allen at 827-3016.

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