

# SAMOA 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Sierra Passes Run/Route

## September 25, 2010

### Morning To-Do's

- Breakfast is served in the Creekside Dining Room from 6:30 AM to 8:30 AM.
- Dress in layers as we'll probably have cooler temperatures in the morning and a warmer climate in the afternoon.
- Remember your camera if you are so inclined to snap pictures.
- Cellular coverage is spotty in the mountains however here are some numbers if you need to contact us:
  - Mike DeLaurentis (916) 768-7460
  - Robin George (916) 396-6098
- Pick up your lunches in the Cathedral Lounge beginning at 8:00 AM. Use your new Goody Bag to pack your lunch. You have your choice of a turkey sandwich or veggie wrap as long as quantities last.
- Drop your top so you don't miss the spectacular views.
- A half tank of fuel will be more than enough to get you to Minden and Gardnerville, Nevada, where you can top off when we stop for lunch. Fuel prices are about \$ .40/gallon less expensive in Nevada than in California.
- Set your FSR radio to Channel 12.

### 135 Mile Run

8:30 AM	Line up cars behind the 2000 Mahogany Mica (arguably the most beautiful color Mazda ever created) with the ZOOMIKE license plate. On Bear Valley Road at Route 4. <b>ZERO OUT ODOMETER.</b>
8:45 AM	Driver's meeting. The most important item to take away from the driver's meeting is to <b>drive safely</b> and <b>stay together</b> throughout the run. The roads will be narrow at first then they'll widen. There are a plethora (that means "lots" for you Green Bay Packer fans) of hills and curves. In other words, these are roads that are built for Miatas. We'll take the curves at a decent speed in order to have a little fun but we won't drive dangerously. There are no spots along the way for us to pull over and regroup so if you become separated you will be the leader of all the Miatas behind you. <b>Stay together, keep the proper distance and drive safely.</b>
9:00 AM	Depart Bear Valley (7,030' elevation).

DIRECTION - OUTBOUND	MILES
Turn left onto Highway 4.	0.0
Turn left onto Highway 207, Bear Valley Ski Park. Drive to the end of the parking lot. Park close to the car on your right to facilitate a group picture. Follow the directions of the parking assistants.	1.9
At approximately 9:30 AM depart Bear Valley Ski Park.	4.2
Turn left onto Highway 4. Continue on Highway 4 from Bear Valley through beautiful Lake Alpine (7,540' elevation), Pacific Grade Summit (8,050' elevation), Hermit Valley, and Ebbett's Pass (8,730' elevation). We should see some beautiful fall colors at this time of the year.	6.5
Continue on Highway 4, which becomes Highway 89 going toward Markleeville. We will stop in Markleeville for a short bio-break (portable outdoor type) in the Chamber of Commerce parking lot. The Chamber of Commerce is located at the end of town on the left. The town is two	

blocks long so there isn't a lot of sight seeing.	
Continue on Highway 89 as we leave Markleeville – heading toward Highway 88.	40.1
Turn right onto Highway 88 towards Minden, NV.	46.3
Turn right onto US 395 heading south to Minden, NV and Gardnerville, NV. Continue on US 395 south through Minden and into Gardnerville (there is a seamless connection between the two towns).	60.2
Turn right onto Waterloo Lane (there is an ARCO station on the corner).	63.0
Turn right into Lampe Park. We'll try to park together but that may not be possible so park as closely together as you can. You can eat under the gazebo, or on chairs if you have them, or at picnic tables. We have 45 minutes for the 4 P's (picnic, potty, and purchase petrol) so use your time wisely little grasshoppers. There are no more rest stops until we are back at the Lodge so don't forget that 2 <sup>nd</sup> P (potty). At approximately 1:00 PM prepare to depart. <b>ZERO OUT ODOMETER.</b>	63.1

<b>DIRECTIONS – RETURN</b>	<b>MILES</b>
Turn left out of Lampe Park onto Waterloo Lane	0.0
Turn right onto US 395 south (at the ARCO station). Stop at the California Agricultural Inspection station. Carrying fruit obtained in California is OK.	0.1
Turn right onto Highway 89 towards the Sierra Nevada Mountains. We'll begin a steep climb up to Monitor Pass ( 8,314' elevation) so keep up. The views in front are beautiful and as we go through the switchbacks you'll have more views on your right and on your left.	24.3
Turn left onto Highway 4 when you arrive at the Highway 89 and Highway 4 "T" intersection. Continue on Highway 4 through Ebbett's Pass (8,730' elevation), Hermit Valley, Pacific Grade Summit (8,050' elevation) and past Lake Alpine (7,540' elevation).	41.8
Turn right onto Bear valley Road and continue on to the Lodge parking lot.	72.5

If you want to rinse off your car there is a hose to the right of the Lodge entrance. Once you are finished please be sure that the hose is completely shut off, and drive away to dry your car, being courteous to other drivers who may want to do the same.