The Z-Club of San Diego Newsletter



December, 1993

Calendar of Events

> January Meeting

January 4 @ Boll Weevil, 9104 Fletcher Pkwy, La Mesa (see map

inside) @ 7:00 PM.

> January 22

Campo Train Museum

> February 13

Sweetheart Wine Tour, Temecula

> March ??

Borrego Desert Flower Tour

> April 17

Monte Carlo style Rally

Z-Club of San Diego Officers

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President	Gary Anderberg	589-5104
Vice-President	Tony Cline	469-2705
Treasurer	Mag White	299-3270
Newsletter Editor	Lance Wills	566-2936
Secretary	Lance Wills	566-2936
Events Coordinator	Dave Platt	462-0258
Membership Coordinator	Yvonne Platt	462-0258
Member-at-Large	Patrick Hubbard	271-0194
Features Editor	Marilyn May	275-3644

Minutes of the Z-Club General Meeting, December 7, 1993

The minutes of the November 2 meeting were approved as printed in the Newsletter.

Report from the Convention Comittee (Tony Cline): There will not be a Committee meeting in December, due to the hectic schedules of everyone involved. The next meeting will be in January, around the third week, the date will be anounced/selected at the January 4 meeting. To all Committee members: please have plans ready for review for the events you have agreed to be responsible for. Clif reported that the Padre's schedule has been settled, Clif has agreed to contact Group Z to make sure they have this information to possibly arrange to have the slalom in the stadium parking lot. Tony has sent Convention information packets to all of the clubs. Lance will print letters to potential sponsors.

President's Report (Gary): Mag White has resigned the Treasurer's position due to a new job and extra time pressures. Tony has agreed to (re)assume the Treasurer's position in the interim, untill the elections. We thank Mag for the excellent job she has done as Treasurer and hope tha job pressures will not keep her away from Club events and meetings.

Absentee Mail-in ballots will be (are) printed in the Newsletter to give all members a chance to vote for next year's officers. The nominees are listed along with a space for write-in, if you desire. Additional nominations will be accepted at the January 4 Meeting before the election and absentee balots are counted.

Marilyn has obtained price quotes for the pennants: \$5 to \$6 for the pennant and \$6 for a suction cup device, if you need one because your antenna automatically retracts. The flags will be red with the Club logo printed in white ink. The material will be a stiff Nylon that is very tear resistant and will stand straight without wind. The dimensions are 12 - 13 inches from the pole to the tip and 6 - 7 inched top to bottom. Please use the ballot below to indicate you interest in obtaining pennants.

Keith Allred, Attorney, will be at the January 4 meeting to discuss incorporation of the Z-Club. This will be an expensive, but very necessary step as we prepare to host the National Convention in July.

Lance Wills, Secretary

From the Newspaper Editor: Please submit anything you find of interest, either written by you or from a magazine or another club newsletter. The cutoff date for publishing is the 15th of the month, so try to anything you believe worthy of publishing in the Newsletter to me at the Monthly meeting or by the 15th. If you have any fix-it tips for things that went right or any horror stories that might save someone else some trouble, we would like to print it. If you didn't get this newsletter, maybe we don't have your full, complete and/or latest address. Give Lance or Yvonne a call to correct this grievous oversight immediately.

From the Events Coordinator: Please yell it out at the meeting or call Dave Platt with suggestions for club events.

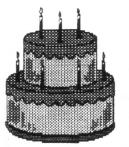
The following people are candidates for offices in the Z-Club of San Diego. Use this as an absentee ballot or turn it in at the meeting (Jan 4,1994). Write-in votes will be accepted and counted. Please mail the ballots to The Z-Club of San Diego, 7482 El Cajon Blvd, La Mesa, CA, 92041, if you will not be attending the January meeting. Please mail your ballot as soon as possible, ballots received after the meeting (Jan 4, 1994) will not be counted.

Office	Candidate	Write-in
President	Gary Anderberg	
Vice-President	Clif Yaussi	
Treasurer	Tony Cline	
Secretary	Lance Wills	
Newsletter Editor	Lance Wills	
Features Editor	Marilyn May	
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Events Co-ordinator	Dave Platte	
Member-at-Large	Ben Pila	
Historian	Joanie Paris	

In addition to the officer elections, we are trying to guage interest in a pennant arrangement to keep sight of each other in traffic. See the description above, but vote here:

Yes, I am interested in a pennant for my car

No, I am not interested in a pennant for my car



Sunday Monday

January, 1994 Ž ČLUB BITRHDAYS

Tuesday Wednesday Thursday

Friday

Saturday

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NINA MAESTAS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY CAPRICORN & AQUARIUS



Ahh yes, Detroit, Michigan - aka Motor City, U.S.A. And anyone lucky enough to be born there is naturally going to be involved in cars. Well, to be sure, a classic case, in point, is none other than our own Vice-President and soon-to-be Treasurer (for the 2nd time), Anthony G. "Tony" Cline.

Born and raised in Motor City at the beginning of the Sixties Revolution, Tony became involved in the automotive industry while still a student at Henry Ford II High School. He worked for a high performance parts company in Detroit for about 3 years, until the business, which consisted of about 8 stores in the area, declined due to the change in energy consciousness and government standards; thus, eventually closing their doors.

Undaunted, Tony packed up his young wife and baby daughter, Autumn, and headed West, settling in Yuma, AZ, where his brother had gone before him. Out of work and living in a trailer, he was able to overcome the doubt and join Sonora Nissan as Parts Manager where he stayed until 1984. Finding Arizona too hot and too dry, he ventured further West seeking new personal challenges as an entity of one.

The next 5 years found him at San Diego Nissan as Assistant Manager of the Parts Dept., until the lure of a better position, enticed him to move over to Lamb Nissan in Kearny Mesa, where he has resided since 1989 as "Head Honcho" of the Parts Dept. there.

Remaining true to his adopted international benefactor, Tony has been driving Nissan products for many a year. First, a 510 Nissan wagon, then a '78 burgundy 280Z purchased in '82 from its original owner. He sold that one in '86 as a tradeoff for the down payment on a new condo! But before long, he was back in Z-mode again, purchasing an '82 champagne 280ZX in September '91 from a woman heading out of San Diego (yea! sometimes someone does leave!) and has completely restored it from ground up. Tony's wife of $2\frac{1}{2}$ years, Monica, is also a Nissan advocate, driving an '87 tan Maxima sedan.

About $\frac{1}{2}$ months ago, Monica presented Tony with his first son, Hayden Cline, and to say baby Hayden is the apple of his daddy's eye would be a mild understatement. Tony, by his own admission, is now a contented husband, father, homeowner focusing his life on baby, wife, and work, and barely missing the social lifestyle he and Monica used to have. He gets to ride his bike periodically, along with some spectator sporting, e.g. Chargers and Padres. Travelling has been curtailed temporarily, but there are still all those fond memories of Hawaii, the Bahamas, San Francisco, et al to look back on.

But for now, Tony feels blessed both at home, a large, comfortable 3 bedroom, 2 bath home in the San Carlos area, and at work, where job satisfaction is high and enjoyable. His involvement with the Z-Club for several years also includes chairing the 1994 National Z Car Convention in San Diego this July. Don't wait to be asked - volunteer a supporting hand in making us a proud organization and doing justice to San Diego's reputation as America's Finest City! Tony and company will certainly appreciate your help.

NEWZ & VIEWZ WORLDWIDE by Ben Millspaugh

"TO HAVE A SUCCESSFUL CLUB'

One of the most active "new" clubs is the Georgia Z Club (USA). I called Henry Kostanzo, President, and asked him to write down a few thoughts on what made his club so successful in such a short time period. I think Zedders all over the world will

find his reply interesting.

"TO HAVE A SUCCESSFUL CLUB, we have found you need three distinct goals: (1) Be people oriented. Clubs exist for fun. We manage as if we were a small business, but we exist to have fun. Too many clubs get too serious and disintegrate from within. We genuinely enjoy each others company. I have said many times, 'if the government recalled all of our Z-cars, we would still meet each month just because we like each other.' The constant teasing and laughing makes people want to be part of us. We are also family oriented. It's easier to get out for the evening or a day of activity if your spouse is with you. (2) Have activities that are diverse so everyone can contribute something. Clubs often fail because they are too narrow. We have 10 members who like to autocross; if that's all we did we would have 10 members. We have 10 racers; 10 show cars; 10 pure stockers; maybe 20 who come just for the social activities, and 20 or so who want to learn more about their cars. Each group has 3 or 4 willing workers who are loyal and supportive. Not everyone in the club can lay out an autocross course but they might be able to help organize a pot luck lunch or replace knocked over cones or help run mailing labels on a computer or make phone calls to remind people of an event. They'll gladly do it if you ask. (3) Publish a high quality newsletter. This cannot be overemphasized. Why? A good newsletter will show potential advertisers and members that you are not just a bunch of 'rachetheads!' It tells them you are a legitimate organization. A good newsletter also keeps you in touch with members who cannot make the events or meetings. It lets them know what they missed and makes them feel like they are part of the group. A good newsletter helps you get acquainted with other clubs. They will refer friends and potential members who may be moving into your area. Exchanging newsletters is also a good source of ideas for activities and events."

The Georgia Z Club is hosting the 1995 National Convention and they have a lot of work ahead of them; however, with that kind of enthusiasm and leadership, it should

be a spectacular event.

One of the most dedicated Z car supporters is a Philipine-born Australian by the name of Joe Grupe. He was President of the host club and was a driving force behind the 1993 Z Convention held in Sydney. He is known throughout Australia for his mechanical expertise and his racing Z cars. Joe recently underwent a quadruple bypass heart operation and it looks like more surgery is needed before he's out of the woods. If you have a moment, write and wish him well....he would love to hear from you. He's one crazy Aussie and you would like him..instantly! It's Joe Grupe, 54 Holdsworth Dr., Narellan, NSW Australia 2567. Have a good day, everyday y'hear! Ben Millspaugh, International Z, 6334 S. Jay Way, Littleton, Colorado 80123.

Don't forget the Z-Club of San Diego Hot Linet 589 - 0975

For up to date information on upcoming events and meetings or to leave a message for the Z-Club president.

Classified Section advertizing automotive related items for Z-Club members, spouses, significant others, friends, neighbors and casual acquaintances.

1977 280Z, 4 Sp, Burgundy.
113K miles, rebuilt @ 112K.
Dependable. Minor work to restore.
\$1950? Need to sell fast.
[W] (619) 725-6712
[H] (619) 725-5082
[VM] (619) 491-9747
Cpl. Omar Shurrab
MSSG-II MNT DET, 1ST FSSG
Camp Pendelton, CA 92055

1973 240Z w/ 280 block, 5 spd, custom wheels, many engine tricks. Gorgeous Blue Angels Blue paint, body stock, no accidents. <10k on rebuilt engine, in storage last 5 years. Loved and cared for baby needs a new home. \$\$lets talk. Anna Inman (619)384 2006

It is traditional to take a trip down memory lane at the end of every year. In keeping with tradition, here's a reminder of some of the fun things the Z-Club of San Diego has done over the past year:

January 23, 1993 - Campo Train Museum

February 14, 1993 - Sweetheart Wine Tour, Temecula wineries.

March 21, 1993 - Drive to Borrego Springs

April 24, 1993 - Spring Rallye '93, with Miata Club

May 26, 1993 - Indy 500 nite at Malibu Grand Prix

June 1, 1993 - Regular meeting at Nissan Design International (tour)

June 12, 1993 - Padre's baseball and tailgate party

December 12, 1993 - Scenic Tour of San Diego and Toy drive for Children's Hospital

Some of these fun activities will be repeated in 1994 and others will be added. We are especially looking forward to the National Convention July 21 thru 24. How about those of you that have not joined us for an activity for awhile come on out and join the fun and those who have joined the fun, lets do some more in '94!!!

How did Nissan do in competition this year? The following is from Autoweek December 13, 1993:

IMSA

GTP - Gianpiero Moretti, Derek Bell and John Paul, Jr. took third, fourth and fifth in Driver's points in a NPTI 90-03, sponsored by MOMO Automotive Products. This year Toyota was the only Manufacturer sponsoring a team this year and Juan Manuel Fangio (nephew of Juan Manuel Fangio the 5 time World Champion in Formula 1 Grand Prix racing during the 1950's) and P.J. Jones (son of Parnelli Jones, winner of Stock Car, Trans Am, Dirt Track, LeMans [Ford GT-40], etc., etc., etc.) took first and second. The Nissan NPTI 90-03 is the car that Geoff Brabham and Chip Robinson drove to one-two championships in 1991.

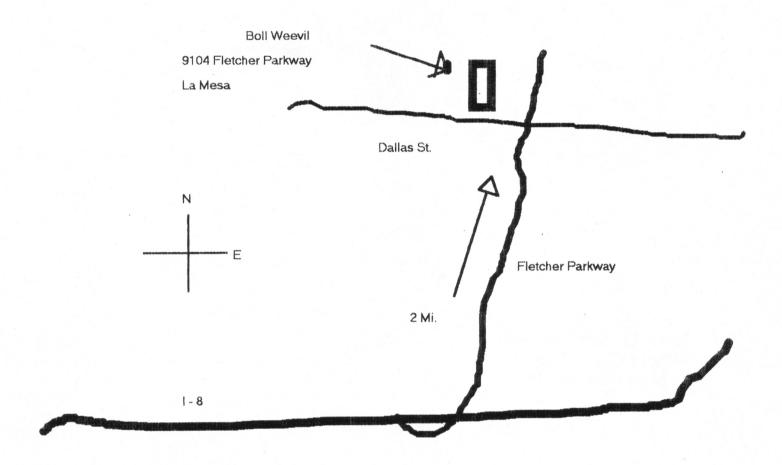
Supreme GTS - Johnny O'Connel Second place (122 points to Tom Kendall's 132) in a 300ZX, Steve Millen was fifth with 68 points in a 300ZX. The Nissan team lost both cars in a very nasty wreck at Watkins Glen in June. Johnny won a week later in Laguna Seca, but Steve required the rest of the season to recover from the injuries he suffered at Watkins Glen.

<u>Supreme GTU</u> - Butch (Son) and Bob (Dad) Leitzinger of State College, PA won First and Second, respectively, in 240SX's. This Nissan sponsored team accumulated more points between them than the next three finishers combined, taking six first place finishes.

SCCA Class A - Elliot Forbes-Robinson took first, winning five of eight races; John Schneider took sixth in 300ZX's beating Corvettes, Saleen Mustangs, Camaros, Porsche 944 Turbos and Lotus Esprits.

Alas, NPTI is no more, or there are very drastic changes in progress. In the November 29 issue of <u>Autoweek</u> the was an advertizement in the Classified Section for an auction at the Vista location of Machine shop, R&D lab, Super Flo Dyno's, Nissan GTP V-6 Engine Line, etc. The Auction was to be December 16, but it might not be too late to update the engine in your post 1984 ZX; the December 6 issue published the phone number (619) 727-4228. Call this number and you can, perhaps, pick up up to ten complete Nissan V-6 GTP Turbo engines and parts for five more. Expect the price to be less than \$20,000 [probably the whole shooting match]. "Electromotive" President John Knepp said future plans for "Electromotive" are in aviation and with a V-8 motor.

Dave Platt has had the logo of the ZCSD reproduced on a window sticker. This is a great way to advertize the Z-Club and possibly attract new members. The stickers feature the Z-Car in a white outline with a yellow sun and green palm trees, they look really sharp! They apply to the inside of the window to reduce the temptation of the idle hands of passers-by and small children to alter the sticker's location. You can get the stickers from Dave on meeting nights, send a stamped self addressed envelope [with the appropriate coin of the realm to Dave Platt, 725 Garfield Ave, El Cajon, CA, 92020] or from Gary at his shop for \$1.00. You can put one on each side of the car and let twice as many people know that you belong to the finest Z-Club in America's Finest City.



Map to the meeting place of the Z-Club of San Diego



The Z-Club of San Diego 7482 El Cajon Blvd. La Mesa, CA 92041

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