# The Z-Club of San Diego Newsletter



May, 1994

# Calendar of Events:

> July Meeting

July 5 @ Sally's (see map inside).

July 20 thru 24

7th Annual Z-Car Club Convention

Hannalea Hotel, San Diego

> Mt Palomar Run

Aug 21 (tent.)

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### JUNE MEETING

The monthly meeting was held at River Run Raceway at Marshall Scotty's Amusement Park in El Cajon. Tony Cline, his wife Monica and son Hayden were there, plus Clif Yaussi, Sharon Ohlund and her daughter Sarah, Ben Pila, Sean Horton, and Gary Anderberg. Convention details were discussed and the next convention meeting was set for June 14 at Tony's house, 7:30pm. The Indy Office Pool was a success in that we haven't lost any money if we sell the other laps we bought. See Tony, they're \$1.50 each.

The meeting was held here so we could compete wheel to wheel in the slick track go karts. Six racers at a time get 5 minutes of driving for \$3.50. Our entire group went out 2 or 3 times depending on time and financial resources. It's a cross between bumper cars, Malibu Grand Prix and pushing shopping carts. That is to say, these things sometimes have a mind of their own and go in directions the driver hadn't intended because some other car has given you a gentle push in the side or rear. The track itself must be polished to make it slick as glass, so the cars don't have good traction.

Tony lead the first heat and went wire to wire, with little inteference and great driving in traffic to avoid potential accidents. Tony showed a smooth line and really had consistent laps. Too bad he had a meeting conflict the night of the Indy time trials, he would have been a He had to leave to take the little one home, so the next heat featured Gary, Sean, Ben and Clif battling wheel to wheel with Sarah creating havic, and Sharon pushing her car to the limit. We agreed at the drivers meeting before our race that the first cars off the pit apron would slowly get to speed, so the rest of the pack could catch up and come across the start line in rows of 2. Well, that went out the window when Gary sped away and the rest of us floored it to catch up. 3/4 of the way into the race Clif and Sean were battling and Gary had either lapped us or was at any rate behind us, then slower traffic gave him a chance to move ahead again. When the white flag was waved signaling one lap remaining, Gary somehow got envolved with slower traffic, was bumped in the side and rear by Sean and Clif, spun and was left pinned against the inside wall helplessly stalled. Clif edged Sean by 1/4 car length for the spectacular win. Gary meanwhile got out of his car since it needed to be physically turned back toward the track, and got black flagged by the course steward for disobeying the rules.

The final heat featured Ben, Sean, Clif and Sarah, plus some 10 year old looking kid that kept spinning out in front of Ben. Sean and Clif dueled for the lead, and I think the car Clif was in had a slight speed advantage because he pulled away from Ben and was able to keep Sean at bay. I think next time Ben will bring his own set of tools and improve the handleing of his car.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00pm with everyone vowing to return and bring a video camera so the race steward can replay those close infractions. c.y.

With great sadness we learned of the passing of one of our members. Bob Thorn passed away in May. He was a longitime member and took great pride in the trophys he won on several rallys. The Z-Club sent flowers, and the following is a thank you note from Mrs. Thorn.

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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 submit 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 Next Meeting

The next meeting will be July 5th at Sally's, see map below.

# The Next Newsletter

The next Newsletter may be late. Maybe real late. The publication date is right when the Convention starts. Something ain't going to get done; guess who is going to the Convention!!

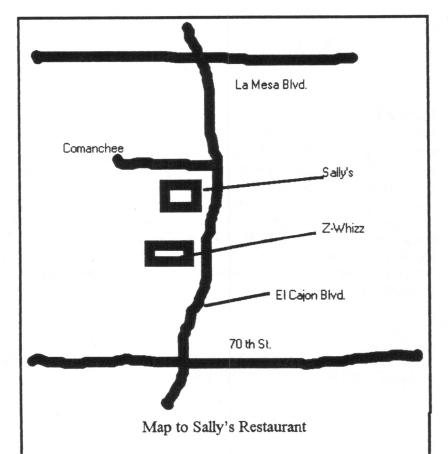
# It's almost too late to renew your membership!!!

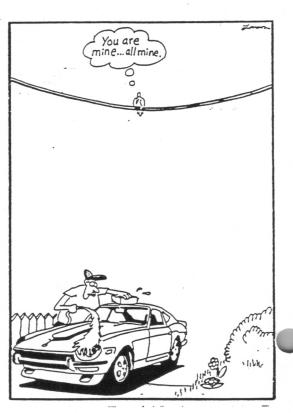
If you havn't done it yet, send your dues and filled out application (conveniently provided at the end of this newsletter) to Yvonne. This will be your last newsletter if you have not renewed by July 15.

# SOME NEET STUFF TO LOOK FORWARD TO AT THE CONVENTION:

At the Autocross - There is a very good chance that John Morton will be there with a 300ZX IMSA GTS car and the deserving winners of the Autocross classes will be given another class in proper driving technique by Mr. Morton using the rolling NISSAN classroom. Bring your own earplugs and oxygen!!!

At the Car Show ~ NISSAN has tentatively "hinted" thay maybe, possibly there could be an offhand chance of some of the Corporations private stock being displayed (no they won't take prizes from you hard working enthusiests). Among the cars that might possibly be shown is the 300ZX that Tim A (Ar-AR-aRR) drove to a second place finish in last years "One Lap of America" race.





# Editorial

This is the first Editorial I have written since becoming Editor of the Newsletter, so what I am saying must be really important - right? Right!! For over a year, now, a valiant group of really dedicated Z enthusiests has been working and planning for the National Z-Club Convention that we will be hosting in 8 weeks. The Convention will happen. The Z-Club of San Diego will do the best job we can and give 'em one helluva show. The thing is, we can use all of the help we can get.

We all have wives and/or husbands, kids, significant others, jobs, other interests etc., etc. Any help we can get will help us to put on a better show with less stress. The more help we get, the more each of us and all of us can enjoy the Convention, remember "many hands make light work".

There are a lot of places a few more hands will help out: the Rally can use starters, scorers, check point people; the Autocross can use scorers, corner spotters, etc.; the Car Show can use judges and traffic control; we can use people for the check-in/registration table. I can't believe that anyone would miss the once in a lifetime opportunity to party, cavort and so-forth and what-not with over 200 people who share a common interest and enjoy having a good time.

Call any of the people who's phone numbers are on the cover and/or come to the next meeting or two. We shure could use your help and we guarrantee you will have a fantastic time.

# Local and Regional automotive related events

When	What	Where
July 8, 9, 10	Mt Shasta All Datsun (1958-73) Meet	Mt Shasta (call Ben,462-8651)
July 20 thru24	National Z-Club Convention	San Diego
August 26 — 28 Sept 25 Oct 2	Monterey Historic Automobile Races San Diego Concours Newport Beach Concours	Laguna Seca, CA Embarcadero Marina Park, SD UC Irvine, Irvine

The Z-Club has been a member of the San Diego Automomotive Museum Car Council for a couple of months. Here is a summary of the benefits of membership. See Lance for individual membership applications. Memberships are are \$15 (\$20 for renewal) and include other benefits such as 1) unlimited free admission, 2) 10% discount in gift shop, 3) insurance discounts and other discounts and event notification. If you want to become a member of the San Diego Automotive Museum you can save \$15 by enrolling thru the Z-Club.

SDAM is sponsoring a progressive car show. The show will be held monthly at the Swap Meet at Murphy Stadium from March thru November. The monthly winner of each of 5 classes will win \$25 + trophy, the second place will win \$15 + plaque. The monthly winners will be the exclusive contestants at the December Runnoff Car Show, where the winners will split \$2500. The 5 classes are divided by year of car. Entry fee is \$10 per car. Call Lucina Sanford, 231-2886 for more info.

# Don't forget the Z-Club of San Diego Hot Line! 589 - 0975

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

<u>Classified Section</u> advertising automotive related items for Z-Club members, spouses, significant others, triends, neighbors and casual acquaintances.

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"I Could have Won, but..." T-Shirt includes the logos of all known U.S. Z-Clubs. Contact Georgia Z-Club, 333 England Place, Marietta, GA 30066

Restoration Manual for 240/260 Z chronicles Bill Regan's restoration of his Z; the saga was printed as a running series in the Z-Club of Texas Newsletter "Z EXTRA". Copy of complete series for \$8.00. Contact Bill Regan, 1210 Cardigan St, Garland TX 75040

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### UPDATE ON MEMBER'S CARS:

A FEW Z-CLUB MEMBERS HAVE CHANGED CARS OVER THE LAST YEAR. THERE ARE NOW FOUR (4) 240 Z'S; ONE 260 Z; TEN (10) 280 Z'S; EIGHT (8) 280 ZX'S; AND FIVE 300 ZX'S. YOU'RE RIGHT, THAT'S ONLY 28 - THE REST DIDN'T TELL US ON THE APPLICATIONS.

# What's happening with Nissan in the News?

The Nissan 300ZX (at least very similar to the 1994 IMSA GTS points leader) placed fifth in the 24 Hour Le Mans race on June 18-19. It was beated by two Toyotas (Toyoti??) and two Porsches, all four IGroup CI, the equivalent of the old IMSA GTP machines. The car was driven by Steve Millen, Johnny O'Connell and John Morton [see page two].

The 200SX is being revived as a 2 liter front drive sport coupe, built with Sentra running gear. The new 200 SX is intended to replace the NX2000 and the SE-R.

The new Maxima is getting good automotive press everywhere except Autoweek. The overwhelming opinion is that the Maxima is very much improved in style, responsiveness and handling over last year's model. The new 3 liter V-6 is lightened and the power output is improved by micropolishing most of the rotating and reciprocating internal bits. Nissan has a neat video about the new Maxima available calling 1-800-321-2609.

Autoweek gave a quick review of the 300ZX Convertable (loved it); Altima (loved it); Maxima (liked it a real lot, but blasted Nissan for dropping the independent rear suspension); and 240SX (loved the handling, hated the move to a "Secretary's Car").



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# THE GREATEST SPECTACLE IN MOTOR SPORTS (this side of I-15)

The Z Club of San Diego held it's second annual Indy 500 Time Trials and Office Pool at Malibu Grand Prix's race course on Wed. May 25. Fourteen spots were filled in the Indy grid of 33 cars, and the remaining spots were sold to people by random drawing. Marcel Blevins, last years pole position winner, (and former track record holder) acted this year as official race steward so others in the club might have a fighting chance at the pole position trophy and all the glory, bragging rights etc. that honor brings.

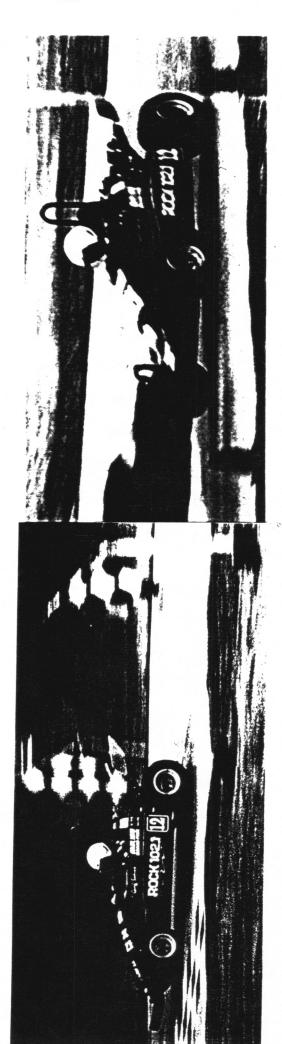
Clif Yaussi (55.05, 4 lap avg.) ended up on the pole position thus being represented by Al Unser Jr. in the Indy 500 race day pool, worth \$50. for first, \$30. for second, and \$20. for third. It was by the narrowest of margins over Ben Pila (55.19 avg.), who turned in the best single lap qualifying time of 54.11 seconds, but his four lap average was .14 hundredths of a second slower than Clif's. Ben also held position #5 on the grid by paying twice and qualifying a second time. He thought his chances on race day were extremely good for winning some prize money, but the fate of so many were dashed, as the Penske team's Mercedes Benz engines proved what has been feared. They were fast and durable.

We had 8 new drivers this year, and 5 returning veterans. Kendra Abrahamson lead the women qualifiers and recieved the trophy for fastest women's qualifier. Her race day driver was rookie Jacques Villeneuve who finished second and thus Kendra won \$30. Kendra was the forth fastest qualifier. Clif got the first place money, and the position 28 driver his son picked in the pool, Bobby Rahal took third, so the Yaussi's were the big winners.

I think a great time was had by all, we have some left over Malibu Grand Prix laps to sell for \$1.50 each, see Tony Cline.

In crunching the qualifying numbers we found that Lance Wills made the biggest improvement of lap times from 1993 to 1994, with a 4 lap avg. improvement of 2.82 sec. followed by Sean Horton's 2.64 improvement, Gary Anderberg's 1.54, Clif's 1.38, and Ben's 1.31. This years field averaged 2.69 sec. faster than '93. Overall competition was extremely close. It will be a dog fight next year and Marcel will also be back in the hunt. He turned 50.24 in the faster club car that same night.

	Driver	Finish	Z-Club Driver	Average	Last Yr
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2	Raul Boesel	21	Ben Pila	55.19	56.5
3	Emerson Fittipaldi	17	Dan Heuschele	55.54	
4	Jacques Villeneuve	2 <	Kendra Abrahamson	55.9	-
5	Michael Andretti	Ó	Ben Pila	55.96	56.5
6	Lyn St. James	19	Lance Wills	56	58.83
7	Nigel Mansell	22	Sean Horton	56.1	-
8	Arie Luyendyk	18	Sean Horton	56.33	
. 9	Mario Andretti	32	Gary Anderberg	56.44	57.98
10	John Andretti	10	Sean Horton	56.71	-
11	Eddie Cheever	8	Dennis Darnall	56.8	
12	Dominic Dobson	29	Sean Maynard	58.15	-
13	Start Fox	13	Sharon Ohlund	66.11	-
14	Hideshi Matsuda	24	Marilyn May	ó8.34	
15	Dennis Vitolo	26	Janet Elliot		
16	Jimmy Vasser	4	Tony Cline		
17	Scott Sharp	16	Brian Betcher		
18	Hiro Matsushita	14	Dave Platt		
19	Robby Gordon	5	Marcel Blevins		
20	Roberto Guerrero	33	Yvonne Platt		
21	Brian Till	12	Carolyn Anderberg		
22	Bryan Herta	9	"Doc" Lisco		
23	Scott Brayton	20	Frank Yaussi		
24	Teo Fabi	7	Sandy Kobayashi		
25	Paul Tracy	23	Rick Ball		
26	Adrian Fernandez	28	Cori Herold		
27	Stefan Johansson	15	Sara Ohlund		
28	Bobby Rahal	3 <	Scott Yaussi		
29	Mauricio Gugelmin	11	Gerry Griep		
30	John Paul. JR	25	Tony Cline		
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### Tentative Schedule for the 7th annual Z-Car Convention, 1994

### Wednesday, July 20

Registration Desk open 10 AM to 6 PM
Scenic Tour of San Diego 12 N to 4 PM
Opening Reception 6 PM to 8 PM
Chili Greeting (Hosted by the Z-Club of Texas) 8 PM to 10 PM
National Committee Meeting 10 PM to 12 M

# Thursday, July 21

Registration Desk open 8 AM to 6 PM
Road Rally 10 AM to 2 PM
Scenic Tour of San Diego 1 PM to 4 PM
Pre-Tech for Autocross 12 PM to 4 PM
Nissan Design International tour 7 PM to 10 PM

# Friday, July 22

Tech inspection for Autocross 8 AM to 9 AM

AUTOCROSS 9 AM to 3 PM

Open evening

### Saturday, July 23

Car Show setup 8 AM to 10 AM

CAR SHOW 10 AM to 4 PM

Awards Banquet No-host Cocktails 6 PM to 7 PM

Dinner 7 PM to 12 PM

### Sunday, July 24

Farewell Brunch 10 AM to 2 PM

For additional information contact Tony Cline at (619) 265 - 5344 or write to the Z-Club of San Diego, 7482 El Cajon Blvd., La Mesa, CA 91941. For hotel reservations contact the Hanalei Hotel directly at 1 - 800- 882-0858, state that you are with the National Z-Car Convention.



# 7th Annual National Z-Car Convention July 20-24, 1994 San Diego, California

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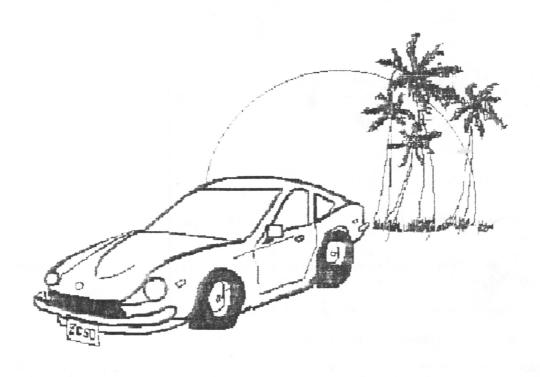
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