The Z-Club of San Diego Newsletter



September, 1994

Calendar of Events:

> October Meeting Oct 4 @ Sally's Restaurant Nominations for Officers

> Post Convention Party Oct 16, RSVP Sean Horton 469-3287. RSVP is mandatory!!!

> November Meeting Nov 1 @ Sally's Restaurant Elections for 1995 Club Officers

Z-Club of San Diego Officers

President Gary Anderberg		589-5104
Vice-President	Clif Yaussi	445-5200
Treasurer	Tony Cline	265-5344
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	Ben Pila	589-5104

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.

Minutes of the September 6, 1994 Meeting

Gary called the meeting to order at 7:30. Three new members were introduced: Catherine and Rene' Alde and Chuck Graham (who is also a member of the Texas Z-Club). Dave Draper and Bob Calderhead also dropped by to check the club out.

The minutes were approved as printed in the August Newsletter.

Gary passed around a letter of thanks from Steve Vorencamp. Steve is Founder and Member #1 of the Z-Club of Texas, DFW branch, and was among the Texas delegation the visited us during the Convention.

We discussed a schedule for Club Officer Elections and settled on the following:

Nominations at the October 4 meeting.

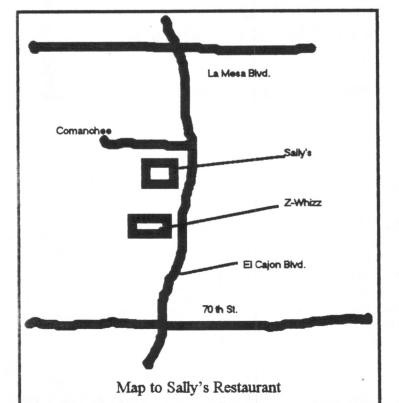
Voting at the November 1 meeting.

Swearing in (or at) at the December 6 meeting.

The positions are described later in the Newsletter, incumbents are listed so you can ask them what the job has been like. Many of the incumbents have been doing the same thing for quite a while and would probably like a change. Speaking of change; Gary announced that he is taking membership in a business organization and is announcing his resignation as President of the Z Club of San Diego effective with the new President swearing in Gary is our Club Founder and member #1. He has done a great job and has carried the Club for four years. We all appreciate his effort and realize the Z Club would not exist if Gary had not had the foresight and perseverance to keep it going.

The meeting was turned over to Lucina Sanford, Membership Director of the San Diego Auto Museum, and "Sandy" Sanford who likes to play with the cars, keep them running and is Volunteer Coordinator of the Museum. Lucina and Sandy led the Club on a tour of the SDAM and pitched membership in the SDAM.

Lance Wills



Next month's meeting October 4

Rolf Dohring, Vice-President of the Z-Club of Germany will be visiting the U.S. during the month of September and early November. Rolf will be our guest at the October 4 meeting and I'm sure will have some very interesting stories to tell about Z-Cars across the pond.

Officer's Responsibilities

Here is a list of current Officers and responsibilities. These positions and responsibilities are by no means cast in concrete. If you have a suggestion (and especially if you want to volunteer) for something that is not listed or a modified version of something not listed, please come to the next meeting and talk about it. The incumbents and their phone numbers are on the front page, feel free to call them and ask what the job is like.

<u>President</u> - Conduct the General Meetings, endorse official documents of the Club, call special meetings as needed.

<u>Vice President</u> - Assume the duties of the President in his absence, oversee the activities of all standing committees, coordinate the activities of all standing committees.

Membership Coordinator - Maintain the membership roster, pass dues to the Treasurer, pass the Membership list to the Newsletter Editor.

<u>Events Coordinator</u> - Solicit suggestions for events from Members, prepare flyers for events and distribute.

Treasurer - Conduct all financial transactions, maintain financial accounts and funds of the Club. Collect dues and other funds collectable by the Club. Report financial condition at least quarterly at Club meetings.

<u>Secretary</u> - Record the minutes of General and special Meetings, conduct the official correspondence of the Club. The President shall appoint a temporary Secretary in the Secretary's absence.

 $\underline{\text{Newsletter Editor}}$ - Assemble, print and distribute the Newsletter on a monthly basis.

Member-at-Large - Primary contact with other Clubs and organizations, primary contact with sponsors.

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.

Last Month's Fun Stuff

September Meeting at the Auto Museum was arranged by Ben Pila, our Member-at Large and delegate to the San Diego Auto Museum Car Club Council. After our 30 minute business meeting (see the minutes on page 1) Gary turned the floor over to Lucina Sanford, Membership Chair of the San Diego Auto Museum, and her trusty sidekick "Sandy". Lucia pitched the benefits of individual membership in the Auto Museum, such as free admission not only to the San Diego Museum but at others across the country, discount at the Museum store, private invitations to Museum functions, and more. Sandy pitched another benefit: where else can you get your hands dirty on some of the worlds rarest, most exotic, most sought after autos, motorcycles and related machinery. Sandy is the volunteer coordinator and arranges for such things as scenery for displays, car repair and maintenance, display setup, etc.

Then we went downstairs to look at the cars. If you haven't been to the Museum, spring a few bucks you cheap

I They have got some wild stuff - an early Ferarri Berlinetta, a 300SL Gullwing, the only AMX3, a mid-60's Dragster..... about 30 cars on display plus about 30 Motorcycles. Well worth the time and money.

Mt. Palomar Hillclimb - 5 Z's left Sally's @ 10:00, cruised north on I-15 to Mira Mesa, picked up another Z (plus my GBV 2+2+3), again north to Escondido to pick up another Z, and on to Mt. Palomar. The seven Z's maintained sane speeds (relatively) over the winding roads to the base of the mountain. Once at the beginning of the twisty

South Grade road I pulled over to let the poor unfortunate Z behind me (remember, I was driving the GBV and boy was I jealous!) pass to catch the rest of the pack. After everyone else had relaxed at the top and I pulled in, Gary thanked me profusely. Those who had not brought a picnic lunch were able to get sandwiches at the store at the mile high summit and most of the wimmin folk engaged in their favorite pastime at the gift shop. From there it was only 2-3 miles to the world famous Mt. Palomar Observatory, home of the second largest telescope and source of most of the research and discoveries in Astronomy since the 1940's.

Astronomy since the 1940's. Seven Z's plus the GBV 2+2+3 in the Mt. Palomar Observatory parking lot, the After lunch at the shady grove observatory dome is in the left corner.

After lunch at the shady grov next to the parking lot we toured the Observatory

Giftshop/Museum and then the Observatory itself. Visitors are encouraged to visit the 50 ton telescope (with 200 inch mirror) and see the inside of the 100 ton dome. The dash down the mountain was as exciting and fun as the run up, and most opted to use the East Grade for a change of scenery (the view looking over Lake Henshaw is breathtaking).

Spring Valley/Casa de Oro Parade - Six Z's participated in the parade this year (six is our "magic number"). It took longer to wait for the parade to start than to drive the parade route, but it was a lot of fun! Our lineup got a lot of applause and waves from the crowd. Evan's 240 was the lead car, followed by Dave & Yvonn's Sunburst Yellow 280, Gary's 10th Anniversary 280ZX, my gorgeous, sexy red T-Topped 280ZX, Sharon's magnificent red '91 300ZX and chased by the Alde's retina searing Stillen 300ZX. One community knows that the Z-Club of San Diego is ALIVE.

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MARSHAL SCOTTY'S UPDATE - It was a beautiful Sunday evening for a little slipping and sliding around the old oval track. I am referring to Marshal Scotty's go cart track (River Canyon Raceway) and our September activity known as "Gary's Revenge". Gary was black flagged for getting out of his race car on our first visit so we decided to do it again. We had a good turn out of eight people: Gary, Sharron and her daughter Sara, Dave, Evan, Tony, Ben, and myself. The first group on the track was four club members and two non club members with Tony taking the checkered flag (I think). The next group on the track was all club members so we took a pace lap to line everyone up two abreast and had a track official give us the green flag, normally you start in a single row from a dead stop. With a rolling start and two abreast that first lap was some close encounters of the racing kind but boy what fun. People were bumping and sliding and pushing each other out of the way. The track officials were waving arms and pointing at us to slow down and stop hitting each other (there are signs everywhere stating "NO BUMPING ALLOWED"). I don't recall who took the checkered flag on this race because I was on the track myself. The next group was a mix of club members and other people but then we got all club members on the track and we attempted to do another pace lap and a rolling start. We started lining up two abreast but we didn't make a full lap before the lead cars took off and we were bumping and sliding around the track. I think Gary was in the lead but not for long before he came to a rolling stop with a dead race car, he ran out of gas. So as Gary walked off the track the rest of us were going at it I was behind Dave but I couldn't pass him and he didn't make any mistakes and give me a chance to pass. To my surprise Ben was on my tail and in my blind spot and at the last minute I took a turn too wide and he zipped by me on the inside. Gary was given a free session because his car ran out of gas but as they were filling all the cars with gas, the track ran out of gas too and they had to take their refill tank for a refill. Overall it was great time even if the "race cars" don't go very fast. This is nothing like driving a Malibu Grand Prix car but there is something about racing against your friends that makes it a ton of fun.

Dennis Darnall

TECH TIP

Borrowed from the Z-Club of Houston The older Z's are notorious for having a hot and noisy interior. Now while some of you might find this attractive, some of us are looking for a more hospitable environment. Seems like the longer the trip, the louder my Z got; but this is no longer a problem thanks to IRVING CARTER.

After one of our monthly meetings, out in the parking lot (where the real meeting is held) Irving pulled up and was telling us of his latest accomplishment. He had found a product called "REFLECTIX", which he had installed in the floorboard of his Z. "It has an insulation factor of R-9" he says (good ol Irv, always the engineer). The next day found me at Builder's Square, where they had just received a new shipment. Upon inspection, it was nothing more than polyethelyene bubbles (you know, the sheets of bubble packaging that you sit and pop, one bubble at a time) sandwiched between two sheets of aluminum foil. It comes in 25' rolls with widths of 16",24", or 48". All in all, it was pretty unimpresive, especially for \$20 for the 24" roll.

Whoooo boy was I surprised !!!

Installation was a snap. The hardest part was unbolting the seats. Upon removal of the seats and floormats, simply measure and cut the material with scissors. I went one step further (which I highly recommend) and pulled up the vinyl cover on the transmission tunnel. Using a can of 3M Brand Spray Adhesive, it was a snap to install here too! When I finished, I could hardly wait to "fire it up" to see if it was as quite as Irving had promised. Irving has never lied to me yet (not that I've caught him at anyway) and this was no exception! Riding around, I soon realized that now, all my noise seemed to coming from the hatch area - BACK FOR MORE REFLEXTIX!!! I pulled up my carpet and installed a layer here and tack-glued my carpet back down. SIMPLE, YET EFFECTIVE is about the best way to describe this product

My little Z now runs <u>much</u> quieter and <u>much</u> cooler. As an unexpected plus, my pathetically undersized, after-market air-conditioner now actually keeps the car quite cool. This will probably be one of the most cost-effective upgrades you will ever do to your Z and gets my highest recommendation!

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

1973 246Zw/288 block, 5 Spd, Custom Wheels, many engine tricks. Gorgeous Blue Angels Blue paint, body stock, no accidents.

Anna inman (619) 384 - 2006 \$\$ lets talk.

76 280Z for parts. Good rebuilt 5-speed, car not driveable.

\$600 / offer. Carol 284-7678

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

Wanted:

73 240Z with Automatic, AC, Good Body.

Chuck Graham 487-4784

72 240Z Dismantling for parts. Functioning AC, 4 sp, Running motor; White hood, fenders.

Parts Cheap. Chuck Graham 487-4784

Oldest 240Z for sale (#000016) \$15,000 will buy you a piece of history! #HLS000016, No Rust, New paint, 4-sp, factory air. Steve Register (513) 821-2017 217 Hillcrest Dr. Cincinnati, OH 45215

What's happening with Nissan in the News?

In Autoweek, July 4, the 300 ZX Turbo was reviewed: "The 300ZX shattered the stereotype once and for all. There was nothing plagiarized in the styling, and it could blow most Porsches into the weeds, at least by objective measures, for less cash. Nearly five years latter it still looks good. The visceral thrills in this wonder explain better than words why you read this magazine, and why we work here." This, dear readers, is poetry!! [This is so beautiful, I chose to repeat it.- ED]

Nissan boosted production of the new Maxima by 4700 units (38%) in July and 4500 in August to meet demand. (Autoweek Aug 15)

3 for 3 at the Portland IMSA venue Steve Millen won the GTS class, Butch Hamlet won the GTU in a Leitzinger prepaared 240 SX, and Shawn Hendricks won the Bridgestone Supercar race in a Stillen 300ZXT. Millen's win clinched the manufacturer's championship for Nissan. We don't need no stinking Baseball!!! (Autoweek Aug 15)

"Yes crow can be tasty when properly prepared....with seat time comes the realization that it remains one of the best drivers in class and a solid value to boot." (Autoweek, Aug 22 regarding the Nissan Maxima - see second paragraph, above.)

Nissan sports cars are carrying drivers to points leads in three series of IMSA racing; Steve Millen in GTS with 122 (Johnny O'Connell is third with 109 points), Jim Pace leads the GTU class in a 240SX with 95 points (Butch Hamlet is sixth with 51 points), and Shawn Hendricks in a Stillen leads the Supercar series with 125 points.



The Z-Club of San Diego

is dedicated to the enjoyment and preservation of Datsun/Nissan Z-cars. If you own a Z-Car or want to own one you need the Z-Club and the Z-Club needs you!!!

Call our information line at (619) 589 - 0975 to get information about upcoming events and meeting times, or to leave a message for the Club President. Call (619) 589 - 5104 if you can't wait and need to talk to someone right now!

- > Learn more about your Z-Car from other enthusiasts and automotive professionals.
- > Save money by taking advantage of Z-Club member discounts on parts and services.
- > Club Newsletter once a month keeps you advised of planned events, what happened at the monthly meeting, service and safety tips.
- > Monthly Meeting lets you guide the club's direction for events and business. Speakers share knowledge on subjects ranging from detailing to theft prevention.
- > Events as varied as enjoying a day at the races to

picnics to wine tasting.

Dues are: \$ 40 for a new i	memoership. \$ 25 for a	renewal. \$15	Newsletter on	lly.		
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Please fill out the above form and send (with check for amount corresponding to level of Membership desired) to: Yvonne Platt (ZCSD Membership Chair), 725 Garfield Ave, El Cajon, CA 92020 We will send your Membership Card, which will entitle you to discounts at our sponsors (full or renewal only).

^{*} New Membership includes ZCSD T-shirt and Name pin engraved with your name and car; Associate Membership includes Newsletter only, does not include Membership card and discount priviledge.

1995 NATIONAL CONVENTION and 25th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The convention will be based at the Marriott Gwinnett Place. Overflow will be placed in the Marriott Courtyard and Fairfield Inn Gwinnett Place. Sightseers may come a few days early, but we won't officially open until that night. The schedule of events is as follows:

Tuesday July 25

12 PM to 6 PM Registration

6 PM to 9 PM Opening Reception

25th Anniversary Beauty Pageant, Introductions of Convention Officials

9 PM to 11 PM Chili Party hosted by the Texas Z Club

11PM to ---- National Committee Meeting, Nominations for Coordinator and 1997

Convention Location

Transportation to Gwinnett Mall and Outlet Malls provided each day

Wednesday July 26

9 AM to 1 PM Road Rallye through North Ga.

Lunch in Helen

1 PM to 6 PM Free afternoon

6 PM to 12 AM Evening at Stone Mountain

Catered Barbecue dinner Laser Light Show

Transportation provided by chartered bus

Thursday July 27

9 AM to 12 PM Autocross School, Road Atlanta Paddock

12 PM to 1 PM Lunch at Road Atlanta

1 PM to 5 PM Solo II Autocross, Road Atlanta Paddock

5 PM ----- Free Evening Transportation provided to Underground

Atlanta and Buckhead

Friday July 28

9 AM to 12 PM Track Touring and practice laps on Road Atlanta

12 PM to 1 PM Lunch at Road Atlanta

1 PM to 5 PM Solo I Autocross on Road Atlanta

8 PM to ----- Keg and Klean Up Party, Marriott parking lot Soft drinks, beer, hoses, and music provided

Saturday July 29

10 AM to 4 PM Car Show, Gwinnett Civic Center

11 AM to 12 PM National Committee Meeting, Gwinnett Civic Center, Voting on

Coordinator and 1997 Convention Location

1 PM to 4 PM Technical Seminars, Gwinnett Civic Center

7 PM to ---- Formal Banquet and Awards Ceremony

(Tie and Jacket Required)

Sunday July 30

7 AM to 11 AM Closing Breakfast