The Z-Club of San Diego Newsletter



May, 1995

Calendar of Events:

> June 6 June Meeting @ Sally's

> June 24 Backcountry tour w/ Group Z

> July 4 ZCSD's leg of Z Across America

> July 15 Tour of Palomar Observatory

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CLIF'S NOTES on...

I'm excited about the new faces showing up at our monthly meetings. I want to thank the members who have goone out of their way to bring new people to the club, and I want to encourage all of you to make these people feel welcome and comfortable. Since it's daylight at 7:00 PM, we've had a chance to view the cars and spend time in a casual atmosphere before we go inside and begin the meeting. Remember Sally's wants us to eat, or they will charge us for using the room.

The Z Across America relay started over the weekend of May 13,14. I understand 40 cars were involved in the sendoff. Not bad for Utah. I hope all our club members are aware of what's happening and how you can help us make our leg of the relay a success by participating in some way or another. Dave Draper has been out of town to help get the thing rolling, so when he gets back in town we'll get some answers to a few details, but tentatively, we will pick up the baton somewhere in L.A. and then head down the coast, thru San Diego, and out I-8 toward Yuma and on to Casa Grande, AZ. We are in contact with the Bob Bondurant High Performance Driving School, near Casa Grande and have been given an indication that he'd like to arrange something for us when we are in the area. [Bob Bondurant is not a stranger to Nissan and Z Cars - in the late '70's Datsun was a sponsor of the driving school and the 280ZX was the official student car of the school - ED.] We're hoping for a run around the track. Stay tuned, and give us your suggestions if you would. Keep July 4th, and perhaps the 5th open.

I attended the Internet Z Club picnic in Pasadene on Saturday May 13, but more on that in a following article. I'm looking forward to the Indy 500 time trials, look for the grid positions in this newsletter, and may the best driver win the big bucks.

That's it from here, come and join us for the June outings, and keep the Z SPIRIT.

THE MAROON MARAUDER

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 April 2, 1995 Meeting

Clif called the meeting to order at 7:50 we spent a lot of time in the parking lot ratchet jawing and swaping car stories). The minutes were approved as printed in last month's Newsletter. We had four **visitors**:Ed Peterson, Bill Black, Jim Wildermuth and Dave Stroub. We hope to see them at all of our future meetings.

President's Report: The Club received a thank you from Mike Breeding's wife for the card and donation. The 1996 National Convention location has been moved from Colorado Springs to Denver.

Treasurer's report: \$1374, 4 trophies and 30 Malibu GP tickets.

Membership report: 1995 renewals are past due. 41 of last years members have renewed.

Events: Members were reminded about the upcoming Indy 500 night at Malibu Raceway, about the July 15 Palomar tour - dress warm, at 2:00 PM we will meet the guide and begin the tour - more details to follow. Lance gave a quick summary of the Peterson Museum outing with Group Z. Lance will follow up with Jerry Peterson for details of Group Z's run to Idylwild [see Upcoming Events section].

Old Business: Rob will have samples of embroidered wool baseball caps and ZCSD logo at the next meeting. He will also take orders, there is no minimum and colors can be mixed,

New Business: Yvonne suggested buying a laminating machine. The Club already has supplies left from the Convention. A motion was made to approve up to \$100 and approved. Clif said the supply of T-Shirts is running low, Rob will get prices for the next meeting. Bring ideas for shirt designs to the meeting.

The meeting adjourned a 9:00, then we went outside and talked about our cars.

Lance Wi.

Last month's event : IZCC picnic

That stands for Internet Z Car Club, I think. I have a computer, my son knows our email address, but don't ask me how I can get stuff sent off to someone else. Anyway, that's not the subject here. On Saturday May 13, Anna Hulhern and others, specifically Evan Chabot from our club (B-B-Q Chef extrordinair) had a successful gathering of Z car enthusiests from all around southern California up at Cal Tech in Pasadena. For a \$5 fee Anna and friends gave a great party that included lunch, Bar-B-Qued chicken, potatoe salad, green salad, soft drinks and dessert. She had maybe 25 names on her list, but I think the turnout was about double that. The lot was full of Z cars, and some beautiful ones at that. At least 30 cars all in a row, hope my pictures turn out. Met people from Lancaster, Santa Barbera, Anaheim, La Crescenta, places all over southern California. Several were talking about the Z across America, and several were people I've met at other Z outings.

The Angeles Crest Highway begins a twisting run up the mountains not far from Pasadena, so we all formed a huge line and put the pedal to the metal. We probably put white hair on more than one person out for an afternoon drive as we screamed up the mountain. I never could see who was leading, but I think it was Eric Messley from Group Z in Orange County. He had come straight from a race and his car was covered with sponsor decals, race numbers and sounding sweet. After 25 miles of twisting roads, we came to a halt, all the cars bunched into a tumout along side the road. We took a group picture, said goodbyes and headed back to where we came from. More than one courteous driver pulled his family sedan into a turnout and let us roar by on the way down the hill.

All in all, a fun day... thanks Evan for getting the club involved, and to Cheryl, too, for helping with the food, and to Ed Peterson and his wife for making the trip. Events with lots of people really are more fun.

Clif Yaussi

Local and Regional automotive related events

When	What	Where
June 24	Tucker Show	Hanalei Hotel Pavilion
July 7-9	All Datsun Meet	Mount Shasta
July 25-30	8th Annual National Z Car Convention	Atlanta, GA
August 18-20	Monterey Historic Automobile Races	Laguna Seca
November 16,17	Vintage GP	Palm Springs

Upcoming ZCSD events

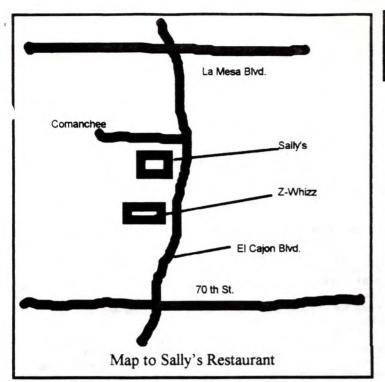
<u>June 24</u> - Back Country Tour with Group Z - We will meet the Orange County Z Club, Group Z, at Idylwilde for a drive thru the back country of Riverside County. Group Z will arrive at <u>The Fort</u> at about 11:00 and do some shopping and have lunch. Meet at the Totem pole behind <u>The Fort</u> shopping center on Highway 243 at 1:00. Jerry Peterson of Group Z will have a map/direction package there, but in general the route will be: 243 S to 74 S to 371 W to Anza.

<u>July 4</u>- the ZCSD's leg of Z Across America celebrating the 25th anniversary of the introduction of the Z. Details arn't firm yet, but we will pick up the baton in L.A. (possibly at Nissan USA headquarters), bring it to San Diego (possibly festivities at the oldest Datsun dealership in the USA) at fetch it to Casa Grande, AZ (possibly the Bob Bondurant Driving School at PIR near Phoenix).

<u>July 15</u> - Tour of Palomar Observatory - We will "Caravan" [pun intended for those driving minivan's] to the Palomar Observatory where a real Astronomer will escort us inside and explain how light come from the billions and billions of stars into that big of telescope. The Palomar telescope is the world's second largest in the world and has given the world many exciting discoveries of what's "out there" - don't miss this, it don't happen very often!!

Results of Indy 500 Night at Malibu Grand Prix

Start	Indy Driver	Finish	ZCSD Driver	Average	
1	Scott Brayton	17	Gary Anderberg	54.1125	
2	Arie Luyendyke	7	Clif Yaussi	54.115	
3	Scott Goodyear	14	Tony Cline	54.84	
4	Michael Andretti	25	Don Beasley	54.91	
5	Jacques Villeneuve	1	Rick Ball	55.16	1st prize
6	Mauricio Gugelmin	6	Monica Cline	56.12	
7	Robby Gordon	5	Howard Ming	56.33	
8	Scott Pruett	19	Ben Pila	56.65	
9	Jimmy Vasser	22	Bill Black	56.70	
10	Hiro Matsushita	10	Rob Valerio	56.94	
11	Stan Fox	30	Jean Babayan	57.03	
12	Andre Ribeiro	18	Dennis Darnall	57.48	
13	Roberto Guerrero	12	Brian Leask	57.98	
14	Eddie Cheever	31	Ken LeBlanc	58.62	
15	Teo Fabi	8	Lance Wills	58.72	
16	Paul Tracy	24	Jeff Gatchell	60.30	
17	Alessandro Zampredi	11	Marjorie Bender	60.86	
18 *	Bryan Herta	13	Gene Smith		
19	Danny Sullivan	9	Rick Ball		
20	Gil de Ferran	29	Rob Valerio		
21	Hideshi Matsuda	15	Marcell Blevins		
22	Bobby Rahal	3	Todd Conaway		3rd prize
23	Raul Boesel	20	Gary Anderberg		
24	Buddy Lazier	27	Bill Black		
25	Eliseo Salazar	4	Frank Yaussi		
26	Adrien Fernandez	214	Jeff Gatchell		
27	Eric Bachelart	28	Brian Sussan		
28	Christian Fitipaldi	2	Susie Sussan		2nd prize
29	Lyn St James	28	Ben Pila		
30	Carlos Guerrerro	33	Ken LeBlanc		
31	Scott Sharp	26	Dennis Darnall		
32	Stefan Johansson	16	Michael Ritter		
33	Davy Jones	23	Marlyss Smith		



Point tally's for the Membership incentive plan

Ben Pila 12
Dennis Darmall 9
Clif Yaussi 7
Evan Chabot 7
Todd Conaway 7
Gary Anderberg 7
Dave Platt 7

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April, 1993

Clif is asking for suggestions to improve the Club. If you have any ideas, gripes, pretty pleases, etc., call Clif or the Hot Line. Remember - the Club Officers are here to work for you and make the Z-Club better. We can't read your mind, so you have to call or come to the meeting to let us know what you want. Writing is good too!! We could add a "Letters to the Editor" section, if we had a letter, but so far we got no letters.

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.

Next month's meeting May 2

At Sally's (see map to Left) .

TECH TIP MORE TIME THAN MONEY (PART II)

For those of you who did not read my Tech Tip in the November 1992 issue of Z News, I wrote about saving old faded interior vinyl and plastic parts, rather than replacing with new, and saving hundreds of dollars. Little did I know I'd be writing a "Part II" that ties into that very topic of saving money!

Excluding the body paint, the exterior also has a few parts that fade with age -- in particular, the three piece rear finisher panels, the front grill and early original hub caps. All are or have the same color, kind of a dark gray/charcoal metallic.

On all early Z cars and possibly on later models it is hard to partially replace with new parts because the old will look lighter in color. This is particularly true with the rear finisher panels.

Through my own dumb luck while I was looking for paint to come <u>close</u> to the used original hub caps I picked up, I found an <u>exact</u> match, or as close as the eye can tell, to the original color for all the above mentioned parts.

The product I found was "SEM Urethane Bumper Coater." The color for that exact match is #39263, Ford Dark Titanium Metallic. This coating can be applied to aluminum or steel without any adhesion problems. This product is not just for urethane bumpers, as it implies by name. Sample test first before applying to a real part because spraying metallic can be a little tricky.

"SEM Urethane Bumper Coater" can be found in good auto paint stores. This product costs about \$6.50 per 13 oz. spray can. If you have trouble finding it in your area, write to: SEM Products, Inc., Belmont, CA 94002-1165 or call (415) 592-5752 to find out who distributes it in your area.

Don't make the same costly mistake I made by rushing out and buying new parts when sometimes a little time spent can really save hundreds of dollars. I replaced all three pieces on my rear finisher when only the left side was damaged beyond repair. They are still available new as is the front grill, and they are costly. Why not repaint the old and make them look like you spent the money in buying new parts! Through a little of my own misfortune and a little dumb luck on my part, I hope to save you what I should have saved --- MONEY!!@#??

Spend time not money, Bill Halsey

Holtville Raceway

October 28,29

Driver's School and Race. Roll bar, Helmet, Nomex Driving suit required.

Autocross dates at Murphey Stadium Call San Diego Autocross Assoc 441-1333

Dates for Swap Meet at Murphy Stadium

June 18 July 23 Aug 20

Dates for Pomona Swap Meet Pomona Fairplex (714) 832-2041

July 16 August 27 October 14 November 19 Date:

Fri, 28 Apr 1995 18:57:10 -0500

To: From: z-car@CS.Princeton.EDU

rosecran@merle.acns.nwu.edu (Marlene C. Rosecrans)

Subject: Sender: Heritage Members snd@CS.Princeton.EDU

Received a letter from Mrs. Lynne Godber, Chairman of the Classic Z Register, England. She writes:

"In our next magazine we are going to launch a system called "Heritage Members". We feel someone should be responsible for collating all 240/260/280 Zs worldwide. A true International Register. And we thought we would have a go. Appreciating Z owners will be members of their local clubs, we will not be requiring membership to the Z Register to be a Heritage Member. But a simple fee of #5 per year will allow your Zs detail into our Register and in return you will receive a certificate which shows your Z to be a listed and acknowledged Z held within our Register. I am hoping this idea will catch on so that we can have an accurate listing of Zs worldwide. Also, by organising it this way we hope to avoid being thought of as a threat to other clubs. We just believe somebody whould be custodians and collators of the Zs now, so why not us?"

For more information, please write The Classic Z Register, Thistledown', Old Stockbridge Road, Kentsboro, Wallop, Stockbridge, Hants, SO20 8DZ, England

Bob & Mariene Rosecrans WCZC IZCC #222 ('73 1/2 240Z) Gien Ellyn, IL

I got my Z-Car Magazine and I counted three mentions of the Z Club of San Diego hosting the 7th National Z-Car Club Convention. There was a picture of Tony Climas' 280ZX that won Best of Show; an article about Herve Oulette's computerized, super tricked out 240Z [Herve was a judge and gave a lot of help and guidance for the Convention car show]; and another mention in the article about the Swiss Z Car Club with pictures. Other articles (for those who didn't get your subscription, get jelous - and get a subscription!!) were: S U carb rebuild, SCCA SS-A 300ZX national Champion, Restoration - How to buy a Z, Kaminari - History and future, Turbocharging, Pictures of reader's cars, IMSA GTS 300ZX V-8 for 1995 and the cover story is a road test of the SMZ 300ZX 25th Anniversary special. Get your subscription, if you havn't already. Don Hazen, Editor, said in his editorial that the magazine is beginning to be sold at bookstores, but I havn't seen it yet. We have a symbiotic relationship - the magazine can only survive and thrive with subscription and advertizing money, more subscribers mean more advertizing dollars, a better magazine means more Z Club members [Don has been giving Z Clubs all over the world a lot of ink].

I hope we don't get sued for this, but the following is quoted from <u>Autoweek May 22</u>, Car Board Section: "...we've had enough time in this 300ZX to realize how gracefully the car is aging. Since the twin-turbo was introduced five years ago, the only thing that's really changed is its price (up\$9,000. That darn Yen...). It still offers alluring design, a trul comfortable cockpit and - with turbos pumping full boost - thrills only a handfull of cars can match. As Nissan celebrates the 25th anniversary of the Z-car, there is speculation about the two-seater's future, and only this is certain: The Z is still sexy after all these years."

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

1973 240Z, 4-Sp, A/C Original Blue (#115) paint, interior, wheels & hubcaps, dealer window sticker. Original owner. Send \$2 and SASE for pictures. Kurt George (909) 247-0449 26075 Jodi Ct., Moreno Valley, CA

1973 240Z Hubcaps (original)

interior needs sand blasting, one Z medalion missing. \$25

D. Platt

May 2]

462-0258

Parts for Sale Brand new in box - complete set of Mulholland heavy duty shocks, front and rear, fits 1970 - early 74 240 or 260. \$60 for all. Ben Pila, Jr. 462-8651

1979 280ZX Good condition, one owner.
Ray Sexton (619) 673-3607

miles on engine, wild Custom bodywork.
Bobby Sukhamil (714) 495-1520 [see pictures at the club meeting

Datsun models for sale

Newman/ Sharp 280ZX SCCA racer Airfix \$20

280 ZX Monogram Snaptite 1/32 \$10

1980 Datsun Kingcab pickup 4x4 1/25 \$15

No longer being made, out of production. Leave message. Ben Pila 589-5104

1975 280Z parts for sale

Doors, fenders, hatch, interior (black), suspension, 4 sp trans, & rear.

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Dennis 581-1992



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JULY 25 - 30, 1995

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ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Georgia 2 Club				25th Anniversary Beauty Pageant, Introductions of Convention Officials
			9 PM to 11 PM	Chili Party hosted by the Texas Z Club
(Velcome. Please complete registration form and mail with check to address provided below.			11PM to	National Committee Meeting, Nominations for Coordinator and 1997
First Name Last Name				Convention Location
Address				Transportation to Gwinnett Mall and Outlet Malls provided each day
CityState	ZipPhone (_		Wednesday July 2	
Spouse/Guest Name			9 AM to 1 PM	Road Rallye through North Ga.
No. of children attendingAges	Arrival Date			Lunch in Helen
Bringing a Z-Car?YesNo YearI Z-club Affiliation	Model	*	1 PM to 6 PM	Free afternoon
L-Club Allilladoli			6 PM to 12 AM	Evening at Stone Mountain
Each paying registrant will recieve a free T-shirt as part of the gift package fo	the convention. Please indicate T-shirt s	zes below:	011110127111	Catered Barbecue dinner
r-ehirt size: Small Medium Large X-Large				Laser Light Show
Guest shirt size: Small Medium Large X-Large				Transportation provided by chartered bus
			Thursday July 27	Transportation provided by chartered bus
Fees are indicated below for registration and activities. The	date of registration is the date of	postmark on your	9 AM to 12 PM	Autograss Cahaal Dand Atlanta Daddada
envelope. Please indicate the activities you wish to enjoy.			12 PM to 1 PM	Autocross School, Road Atlanta Paddock
				Lunch at Road Atlanta
By March 1	By May 1	By July 1	1 PM to 5 PM	Solo II Autocross, Road Atlanta Paddock
		***	5 PM	Free Evening Transportation provided to Underground
REGISTRATION\$50 GUEST REGISTRATION 50	\$50 \$0	\$55 55	F:1 .1.00	Atlanta and Buckhead
GUEST REGISTRATION 50	00		Friday July 28	
RALLYE 15 per car	17 per car	19 per car	9 AM to 12 PM	Track Touring and practice laps on Road Atlanta
AUTOCROSS SCHOOL 20 per driver	22 per driver	24 per driver	12 PM to 1 PM	Lunch at Road Atlanta
SOLO II AUTOCROSS20 per driver	22 per driver	24 per driver	1 PM to 5 PM	Solo I Autocross on Road Atlanta
TRACK TOUR20 per driver	22 per driver	24 per driver	8 PM to	Keg and Klean Up Party, Marriott parking lot
SOLO I AUTOCROSS (SEE NOTE)20 per driver	22 per driver	24 per driver		Soft drinks, beer, hoses, and music provided
CAR SHOW20 per car	22 per car 17 per person	24 per car 19 per person	Saturday July 29	
EVENING AT STONE MOUNTAIN15 per person		is per person	10 AM to 4 PM	Car Show, Gwinnett Civic Center
TOTAL ENCLOSED:			11 AM to 12 PM	National Committee Meeting, Gwinnett Civic Center, Voting on
PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO Z-CLUB OF GEORGIA				Coordinator and 1997 Convention Location
			1 PM to 4 PM	Technical Seminars, Gwinnett Civic Center
NOTE: YOU MUST DO TRACK TOUR TO BE ALLOWED TO P	ARTICIPATE IN SOLO I AUTOCR	OSS.	7 PM to	Formal Banquet and Awards Ceremony
		THE OTHER HOTELS	N	(Tie and Jacket Required)
THE MARRIOTT GWINNETT PLACE IS THE LEAD HOTEL. R	OOMS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE A	A DE WITH THE GEODGIA		
THE IMMEDIATE AREA. WHEN YOU CONTACT ANY OF THE CLUB OR THE NATIONAL Z CAR CONVENTION TO OBTAIN	NTUE SDECIAL PATES PELOW	ANE WITH THE GEORGIA	7 AM to 11 AM	Closing Breakfast
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1995 NATIONAL CONVENTION and 25th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

but we won't officially open until that night. The schedule of events is as follows:

Registration

Opening Reception

Tuesday July 25 12 PM to 6 PM

6 PM to 9 PM

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,

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\$75.00

\$78.00

\$65.00



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 membership (+ \$10 for Spouse). \$25 for a renewal. \$ 15 Newsletter only. New member (\$40) * Name _ Renewal (\$25) Address City _____State __ ZIP ____ Associate (\$15) * Check here _ if you do not want your name and phone number on membership lists sent to the general membership. _____ Model _____ Year ____ Color _____ Car #1 Mfr. Car #2 Mfr._____ Model _____ Year ____ Color _____ Model Year Color Car #3 Mfr. I am interested in: Shows Technical information Part/Service discounts _ Autocross Tours _ Picnics **Parties** Hangin Other

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. Make checks payable to the Z-Club of San Diego. 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; Associate Membership includes Newsletter only, does not include Membership card and discount priviledge.



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