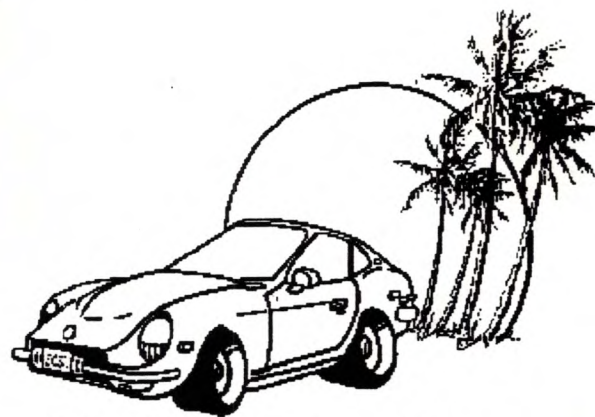


The Z-Club of San Diego Newsletter



Z Club of San Diego

February, 1996

Calendar of Events:

- > March 5** **Meeting @ Sally's, 7:00 PM, see map inside.**
- > March 17** **Borrego flower tour/ grapefruit run.**
- > March 26** **Primary Elections - VOTE !!!**
- > April 2** **Meeting @ Sally's, 7:00 PM.**
- > April 20** **Visit to Marconi Automotive Museum and Motorsport Auto.**
- > May ??** **Internet Z Car Club picnic - stay tuned for more details.**

Z-Club of San Diego Officers

President	Clif Yaussi	445-5200
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Member-at-Large	Ben Pila	462-8651

Tauzzi Sez.....

Well the results are in for the year long attendance contest. With the additional points awarded for arranging guest speakers at the meetings, bringing in new members, and participation at club outings the past years winner is...Ben Pila. Ben went all out in providing several speakers, was in attendance at almost all functions, and sat in on the board meetings as our member at large. As you well know, Ben loves to drive too. He's led the pack on most of our hot runs. Congratulations to all the members for their effort in supporting the club's events this year. At the March meeting we will present Ben with his award, and we will have made up tickets equal to the points each member has earned for his participation during the contest. Two prizes will be awarded to the lucky person's who's tickets are picked at random. One prize is a gift certificate from Rising Sun Auto Parts, and the other is a complimentary club membership for the coming year. Winner need not be present to win.

We all want our club outings to be fun, but safe, and in that vane, we are going to include in your annual membership renewal form a disclaimer to sign saying you realize what you are doing when you drive on a club outing, and no one is forcing you to keep up with the hot dogs at the front of the pack. We want the navigators, wives, or friends to feel that we are looking out for their safety as well.

We want to start thinking of some fund raising activities that will bring in some cash so we can do additional projects like hats, pins, magnetic club emblems for the side of the car. Most of these each member would buy, but we need money to approach vendors and get the item into production.

Renew those memberships and come join us for the desert run to Borrego next month.

Zee you on the road...

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 February 6, 1996 Meeting

Held at Dave Turner Motorsports, 5555 Magnetron Blvd, SD, CA 92111, 16 members and one visitor attended.

Clif called the meeting to order at about 7:30, with a round of introductions. The visitor was Bryan Pilati, a new member of the Tidewater Z Club of Virginia. The minutes were approved as printed in last month's Newsletter.

President's Report : We are making plans to caravan to the Convention in Denver. Call Clif with suggestions for routes to and from - and suggestions for sight seeing along the way, and **register for the Convention!!!**

Treasurer's report: About \$350, because of buying Tshirts, and our contributions of \$400 to the National Convention seed money fund and National Z Car Club Council.

Membership report: Two new members since last month.

Events: March 16 or 23 were suggested for the Borrego Flower/Grapefruit Run, the date will be finalized at the next meeting. We might be joined by Group Z and the Lotus Club if dates work out.

Old Business: We elected mostly the same old folkes to the same old offices, except that Ed Peterson is the new treasurer - see the front page for a list of officers and phone numbers you can harrass us at.

Dave Mihalek yelled out, but Dennis Darnall really won mechanics gloves, Dave Platt won the Psycho pen/pencil set.

Clif turned the meeting over to Dave Turner owner of Dave Turner Motorsports (formerly Performance World, Inc.) who gave a tour of his store. Dave stocks a selection of tune-up kits for Mikuni and Weber carburetors, Tokiko shocks, Recarro and other seats, K & N filters, and Red Line synthetic oil products, along with a large selection of suspension products, many applicable for use on Z Cars. Dave said Z car owners were among his best customers over the years. Dave's store is open 10-2 on Saturday and 9-5:30 weekdays and they custom fabricate and install many speed equipment items. Dave is sponsoring a drive-fast-day at Holtville on May 12. Cost is \$100/person, you will need a helmet and seat belts. Tech is your responsibility; drive your car out, drive the track, drive home. Sounds like fun

Lance Wills

Last Months Fun Stuff

Run to March Air Force Base - Ben's Reply - "All Roads lead to Someplace"

It was late January and I was to lead a gaggle of Z's on a back country trip that terminated at the March Field Museum. I chose to drive my heavily modified 1971 510 [Ben's Box - Ed] vs my Fairlady 2+2 for the reason of maximizing my driving enjoyment. The run began on time and went smoothly until the Z behind me (someplace on Highland Valley Rd.) decided to park on top of some pomegranate bushes. A quote from the CHP officer "Looks like his car is in the launch position." If you knew the license frame of this Z, you'd know what I mean. No injury and minor denting of the Z and ego. So we go on. Only now there were three behind me [the group split at this time, some to make our commitment to meet Group Z, some to meet the truck - Ed] and time to make up. ~~the~~ remainder of the Z's went someplace else, but eventually we converged.

This was my first time on Highland Valley Rd. and it was an excellent place to drive spiritedly, if you know what I mean. The rest of the drive until meeting the other Z's at Aguanga was very exciting. Hardly a car and a very clear day. I could see clearly now the rain was long gone and didn't hit again until 3:30 at the museum. The three Z's and I waited at the market until a bevy of Z's sounding like a motorcycle gang approached and dropped anchor. We left shortly and then I had more than ten Z's in chase. So, it was up Route 3, but not without a slower car to slow down the pace. Actually, a FORD tempo bearing a Good Sam decal on the bumper kept up a pretty good pace and I was surprised to see those two senior citizens pushing their Tempo (or keeping tempo) on all the corners while looking at sights and pointing. I'm not sure if they even knew how fast they were going. I did. Well, we turned left onto East Benton Rd. (5 Z's missed the turn), and continued the road race. Then north onto 215 and into the March Field Museum Parking lot. We first parked under a WW II P40 Warhawk to get the photo thing going [see below - Ed] (Clif climbed a fence for the special shot) then lunch and looking at the Z's and 510. The LA Z people have some unique Z's. One plate said it all: "ITWASAZ". Thanks go out to Jerry Peterson of Group Z for coordinating an excellent convergence and to all the Z drivers who stuck behind me on a day of fun driving. Someplace else next time! And maybe I'll follow!

Ben Pila

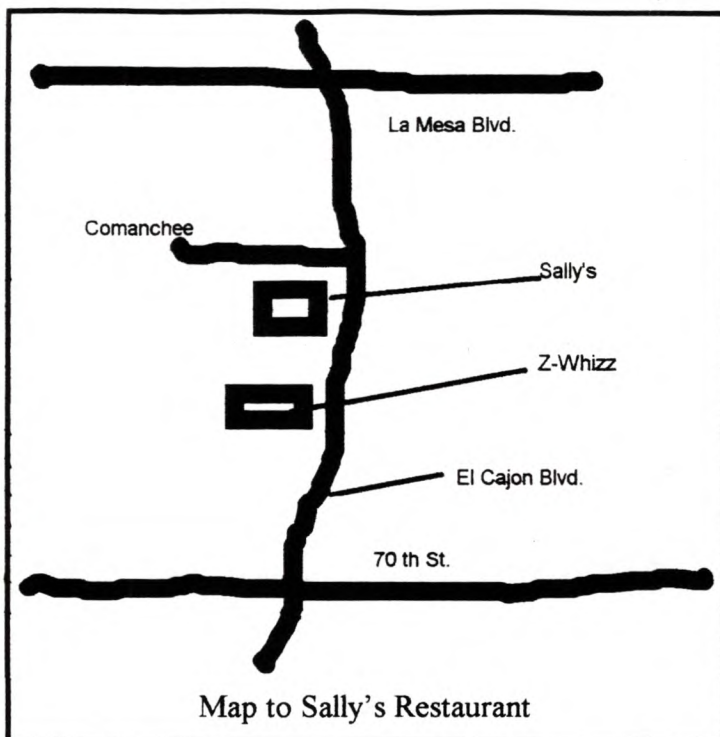


Upcoming ZCSD events

March 17 - Borrego Desert Flower/Grapefruit Tour - follow the leader as Clif shows us the best place in the whole world to buy fresh grapefruit. With luck and timing, the annual flower bloom will be at it's peak. Even if it isn't, the desert is an incredibly beautiful place to be with breathtaking landscapes, lots of twisty roads and not a lot of traffic. There has been some talk of Group Z and the Lotus Club joining us so lets have a party! Get time details at the meeting or call the hotline

April 20 - The Marconi Museum in is an offshoot of the Marconi Foundation for Kids, a group that helps youth related charities, especially abused kids. The museum has 60 cars at a time on display, mostly performance and race cars, like the Newman-Haas Lola Mario Andretti got his last win in. There is also a small gift shop and restoration facility there. Admission is \$3.50 for adults, kids under 12 are free. We plan to leave early in the morning and make a stop at Motorsport Auto, so some of our more thrifty members can save postage charges.

May ?? - The ZCSD plans to make a more impressive showing at the Internet Z Car Club picnic this year. The date has not been set, but get ready.



Map to Sally's Restaurant

This month's meeting March 5,

7:00 PM will be at Sally's (see map to Left to get to Sally's for the March 5 meeting) .

Dare We Hope? In the April , 1996 issue of Road & Track on page 38 there is an article showing drawings of two potential Z Cars along with a request to vote for your favorite. R & T promises to forward the results of the voting to Nissan, who reportedly cannot make their minds about which should be put into production. Letters can be addressed to:

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.

Local and Regional automotive related events

<u>When</u>	<u>What</u>	<u>Where</u>
March 25 - April 6	San Diego Auto Show	Convention Center
April 14	Long Beach GP	Long Beach
May 18	Fightertown Festival Car Show	NAS Miramar
May 17-19	Vintage Auto racing (800-280-VARA)	Pomona Fairgrounds
May 25 & 26	Vintage racing	Thunderhill Park, Willows
June 6 & 7	SCCA racing	Thunderhill Park, Willows
June 25-28	Z Car Club National Convention	Denver, CO
August 18, 1996	Concours d'Elegance	Pebble Beach
September 29	Concours d'Elegance	Embarecadero Park
November 22 -24	Vintage racing	Palm Springs



Ed. Note: Pinky has gone home to Wisconsin for the holidays (Pinky, you go South for the winter) and Henry is the guest columnist for this month.

Many of us think that early series Z cars came from the factory with a cracked dash. Cracks are a major problem. If you are doing a restoration, replacing the dash is the way to go. But it is expensive and you spend days removing the old and installing the new. Another option is to install a dash cover. Dash covers do not look that good, and wind up to be over a \$125 investment themselves.

Dash cracks can be repaired. The method I use is not perfect in that you can see where the repair was made. But if you take your time and be very careful, the repaired crack will be very difficult to see. The work can be done without removing the dash from the car.

You will need the following:

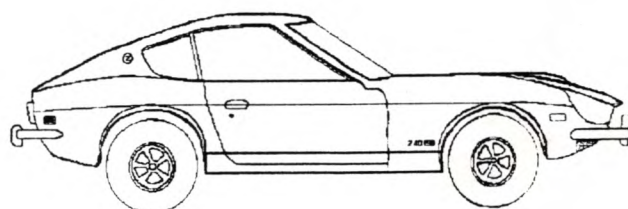
Masking tape razor blades
Rubber gloves fiberglass resin
Sand paper - 24 grit, 60 grit, 150 grit and 220 grit
Black paint to match dash (matte black or universal black are close)
"Great Stuff" brand foam sealant
Steel wool

- 1) With razor blade, open the crack to 1/4" wide
- 2) Use the masking tape to protect the plastic around the crack. This keeps you from having to sand the sealant off the plastic. Sanding will remove the texture lines from the dash around the crack.
- 3) Spray "Great Stuff" into the crack and let harden. Great Stuff is a spray that hardens to a texture like Styrofoam. It expands as it hardens. Don't let it bother you. Use the razor to cut off the excess after it dries. It is extremely sticky and will adhere to anything. The directions say to wear rubber gloves because it will not come off your hands. Believe them!! Nothing dissolves it and it is so strong it will tear your skin off. On the positive

side, this stickiness means your repaired crack will not reopen.

- 4) Use the 60 grit, 150 grit and 220 grit sandpaper to smooth the foam into the crack. Sand the foam until it is slightly below the plastic surface. You will use the fiberglass resin to fill back to a level surface.
- 5) Remove your masking tape and retape. During sanding, you have damaged it to the point it will not protect the plastic from the fiberglass resin.
- 6) Use the fiberglass resin to coat and seal and the Great Stuff. The resin will soak in some. Use several light coats rather than one big one. You want to minimize your sanding, so as to not damage the plastic around the crack.
- 7) When you have the resin even with the plastic, remove the tape and touch sand to insure a smooth surface between the resin and the plastic. Now you are ready for the most difficult step.
- 8) The fiberglass resin surface needs a texture to match the texture of the original dash. This is done by pressing the 24 grit sandpaper into the resin just before it is completely dry. "Paint" a thin layer of resin over the repaired resin with a paint brush. At the same time, paint a few practice strips on a piece of cardboard. As the resin hardens, use the practice strips to test when the resin is the right hardness. The resin should be hard enough not to stick to the sandpaper, but still soft enough to pick up the texture of the sandpaper. It may take up to a dozen 'test strips' to find just the right timing. Once you determine the right hardness for the resin, press the sandpaper into the resin on the dash.
- 9) After the resin is completely hard, use steel wool to remove the harsh corners to blend into the texture of your dash.
- 10) Paint the crack to match the dash.

As stated earlier, it's not a perfect repair. But it will take 30 minutes a day for 3 to 4 days and cost about \$10.00. That's 1/10th of what a dash cover takes in time and money and 1/50th of what a new dash takes.



Classified Section advertising automotive related items free for Z-Club members, spouses, significant others, friends, neighbors and casual acquaintances. To place an add or cancel an add, call Lance at 566-293. I'll run your add for three months unless you tell me to cancel.

71 240Z, 80,000 mi Yellow, black int. Air, Dealer installed Mags, new Yokohama's.
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Trish 467-0110

1975 280Z parts for sale

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Dennis 581-1992

Set of Triple Webers (40's) with Cannon Manifold and Chrome air cleaners, no linkage. \$350 firm
Set of clear headlight covers for Z. \$50/best.

Steve 263-6440 or 421-3254

1977 280Z Show quality. \$20,000 in receipts. Engine not CA smog legal.
\$4000
Kevin (619) 566-7001

The following poem was imprinted in Gold leaf on a Holiday card the ZCSD received from Masako and Yutaka Katayama:

Z LEGEND WILL LIVE ON

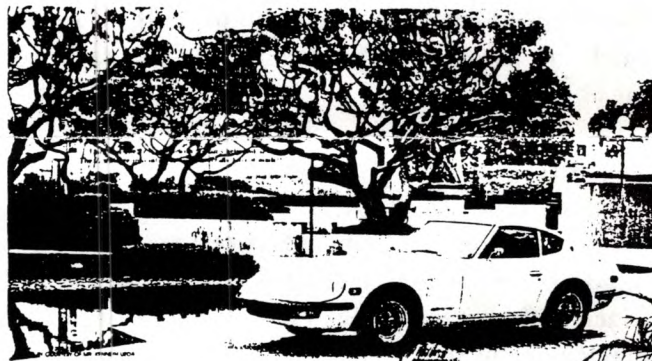
Z production will cease in '96, a great run of 26 years.
Our enthusiasm will never cease, no reason for any tears.

A business decision has ended the reign, of a truly unique sports car.
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As we approach a brand new century, full of excitement, hope and zest,
We'll continue to enjoy our Z's, for we know they're really the best!

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The Z will live into infinity, we Z'ers really have it made!!

by "Mad" Mike Taylor



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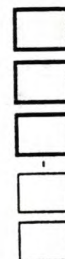
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- > **Learn more about your Z-Car** from other enthusiasts and automotive professionals.
- > **Save money** by taking advantage of Z-Club member discounts on parts and services.
- > **Club Newsletter** once a month keeps you advised of planned events, what happened at the monthly meeting, service and safety tips.
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June 25-28, 1996

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The Z Car Club of Colorado cordially invites you to attend the 9th annual Z Car Convention, June 25-28, 1996 in Denver, Colorado.

Welcome! Please complete this registration form and mail with check to address provided below.

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone # (____) _____

Z-Club Affiliation _____

Spouse/Guest Name _____

Number & Ages of Children attending _____

Arrival Date ____/____/____ Time _____ a.m. _____ p.m. _____

Bringing a Z car? _____ Yes _____ No Year _____ Model _____

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Please specify T-shirt size below.

T-Shirt size: Small _____ Medium _____ Large _____ X-Large _____

Extra T-Shirts: Small _____ Medium _____ Large _____ X-Large _____ (\$15.00 ea.)

Fees are indicated below for registration and activities. The date of registration is the date of postmark on your envelop. Please indicate the activities you wish to enjoy.

Do you have dietary restrictions? _____ Yes _____ No Please explain: _____

	by April 30	by June 1	after June 1
Registration Fee	_____ \$30.00 per person (includes T-shirt, Registration packet, Reception)	_____ \$35.00 per person	_____ \$50.00 per person
Concours de Elegance	_____ \$20.00 per car	_____ \$20.00 per car	_____ \$22.00 per car
Bar-Z-Que	_____ \$12.00 per person	_____ \$12.00 per person	_____ \$14.00 per person
Road Course Time Trials	_____ \$45.00 1st driver _____ \$20.00 2nd driver	_____ \$45.00 1st driver _____ \$20.00 2nd driver	_____ \$50.00 1st driver _____ \$22.00 2nd driver
Rocky Mountain Tour	_____ \$ 9.00 per person (includes lunch)	_____ \$ 9.00 per person (includes lunch)	_____ \$11.00 per person (includes lunch)
Banquet	_____ \$25.00 per person	_____ \$25.00 per person	_____ \$27.00 per person
TOTAL ENCLOSED	_____	_____	_____

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TUESDAY, JUNE 25

12 noon - 10:00 pm
2:00 pm - 5:30 pm
3:30 pm - 5:30 pm
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
9:00 pm - ???

Registration Desk Open (Lobby)
Road Course Time Trials: Tech. Insp.
Training for Concours Judges
Reception (Cash Bar)
Texas Chili Feed

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26

6:30 am - 10:00 pm
10:30 am - 4:00 pm

Registration Desk Open (Hosp. Suite)
Seminars

Concours de Elegance (Heritage Square)

7:30 am - 9:30 am
10:00 am - 4:30 pm
4:30 pm - 5:00 pm or
7:00 pm - 7:30 pm
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Set-up
The Show

Move Out
Bar-Z-Que (Heritage Square)

7:00 pm - 11:00 pm
8:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Road Course Time Trials: Tech. Insp.
National Association Meeting

THURSDAY, JUNE 27

6:30 am - 8:00 pm
8:00 am - 5:00 pm
10:00 am - 4:00 pm
5:00 pm - ???
8:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Registration Desk Open (Hosp. Suite)

Road Course Time Trials

Stapleton Track
Seminars
Open Evening
National Association Meeting

FRIDAY, JUNE 28

6:30 am - 9:00 am
7:30 am - 8:30 am
8:30 am - 4:00 pm
10:00 am - 11:00 am
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
3:15 pm - 5:15 pm
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Contact Gary Bracken (303-526-2262) or Mary Anne Denney (303-333-8919) or write to The Z Car Club of Colorado, PO Box 260078, Lakewood, CO 80226 for more information. E-mail addresses: blwagner@tap.com (publicity) or Keilenstin@aol.com (registration).



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