

# The Z-Club of San Diego Newsletter



## Z Club of San Diego

November, 1996

### **Calendar of Events:** (see page 3 for more info)

- > December 3 Meeting @ COCO's, 5550 Lake Murry Blvd, La Mesa 7:00 PM.
- > December 15 Annual Toy Drive/Party/Light Tour. Meet @ 4:00 PM at Children's Hospital in Kearny Mesa
- > January 19 Tour to March AFB
- > February 15 Sweetheart Winery Tour, Temecula Wineries
- > March ?? Grapefruit/Flower run to Borrego
- > April 19, 1997 Z Exhibition & Garage Sale @ Motorsport Auto, Orange, CA

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## **Yauzzi Sez.....**

I can hardly believe this is the last newsletter of 1996. Again the year has come and gone sooo quickly. We've had so many new members join since last January, I thought I'd quickly review our events of the year, so many of you will get a peek at what we've done and what we plan to do. We change events according to members input, so these are the things that appealed to us over the last 12 months.

December: Children's Hospital toy drive gift delivery and Christmas dinner meeting with gift exchange. Tour of nighttime Christmas lights in the community.

January: Fun run tour with Group Z to March Air Force Plane Museum.

February: Sweetheart wine tour and tasting in Temecula

March: The run to the Anza-Borrego Desert for wildflowers and grapefruit.

April: Caravan to Motorsport Auto's car show and garage sale.

May: Indy Race time trials at Malibu Grand Prix.

June: Z Club night at El Cajon Speedway. Caravan to national convention.

July: Mt. Palomar fun run and picnic.

August: Beach party at Mission Bay. Nissan Party at Peterson Auto Museum

September: Fast Lane Fast Food road rally.

October: Halloween party and Museum of death tour. Caravan to Stillen B-day party and sidewalk sale.

November: Surfside Nissan Car Show. Drive to Palm Springs for vintage sportscar races.

Thanks to all the members who pitched in to help when asked, and to the elected officers and committee chairmen who kept the club moving forward, have a wonderful holiday season, drive safely and join us in 1997.

A reminder that election of club officers will be in February and we are now looking for people willing to take on a few new tasks. See Cliff or any board member.

ENJOY THE RIDE  
**THE MAROON MARAUDER**

Note the new address for the Z-Club of San Diego and Z-Whizz.  
The new address is 7473 El Cajon Blvd, La Mesa, CA 91941

**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 November 5, 1996 Meeting**

The November meeting was again held at COCO's in La Mesa (see map, p 3). We had a good turnout, considering it was election day.

Cliff started the meeting at 7:30 with a round of introductions. We had two visitors - Moe, who is in the Navy, and Burl Johnson, from RB. The minutes were approved as written.

**Treasurer's report** - about \$1000 in the treasury.

**Events report** - The Halloween party was summarized (don't take young children to the Museum of Death), Palm Springs Vintage, Toy drive/Christmas party and March AFB runs were outlined (see P3 for more info).

**Membership report** - We have four new members since last month.

Cliff turned the meeting over to Ray Gross of Hollywood's Paintless Dent Removal (Pager 338-3181) who talked about - guess what. Price of dent repair is approx. \$65-\$85 for a panel vs. \$200 per dent for a body shop. Call Ray and he will come to your house, or whatever, and give an estimate.

Door prizes: Z Car Magazine hat - Evan Chabot, T-shirt - Dave Mihalko, License Frame - Ed Peterson, 50/50 winner (\$26) - Rob Calderhead.





**Next meeting December 3, 7:00 PM at  
COCO's, 5550 Lake Murry Blvd, La Mesa.**

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.

**Note the address change for  
the Z-Club of San Diego (and  
Z-Whizz). THE NEW ADDRESS  
IS 7473 EL CAJON BLVD, LA  
MESA, CA 91941**

### Upcoming ZCSD events

**December 15 - Annual Toy Drive/Party/Light Tour - Meet @ 4:00 PM at Children's Hospital in Kearny Mesa.** Bring unwrapped toys to Children's Hospital (a great cause) then follow the leader to COCO's in La Mesa for a party. Last year we started a tradition of having a gift exchange/swipe, where each person gets to open a new present or swipe an already open present from someone else - no one leaves empty handed, but some may leave happier than others!! Then to Coronado to see the Hotel Del decorations. Flyer to follow.

**January 7 - (Tentative)** We will hold our club meeting at the San Diego Automotive Museum in Balboa Park. This is always worth a Tuesday night!! See the current SDAM display and have a tour by "Sandy" Sanford, who knows a fascinating bit of history about each car on display.

**January 19 - March AFB.** The weather skunked us last year, so we will try again.

**February 15 - Sweetheart Winery Tour, Temecula Wineries.** One of our most popular events, leave the kids home, bring your Sweetheart for a romantic tour of the wineries of Temecula.

**March ?? - Grapefruit/Flower run to Borrego.** If the Flowers aren't out the grapefruit will be, and the driving is always fun.

**April 19 - Z Exhibition & Garage Sale.** Last year over 140 cars were on display or lining the streets at Motorsport Auto in Orange, CA. The ZCSD had a few member's cars entered in the show and we all had a great time talking with our friends from Group Z, checking out some great cars and buying some of the stuff Sal marked down to prices we could not pass up. It must have been good for Sal 'cause he's gonna do it again this year.



The likeness of "Mr. K" beams good wishes to the Datsun faithful as our protector, "NISSAN MAN", stands guard over the "first Z".

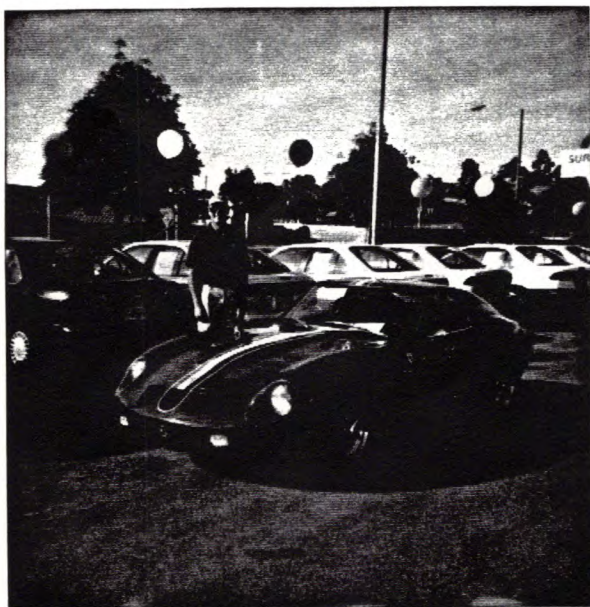
The yellow 240ZG, now owned by Kenny Ueda, was the cornerstone display at the Surfside Nissan All Datsun show on November 9. Other Nissan displayed cars were the #83 GTP driven by Geoff Brabham and the #33 300ZX driven by Paul Newman.



The Datsun faithful showed up with (1) 1960's vintage truck, (1) 1600 sedan, (1) Bluebird Sedan [very nicely tricked out!], (26) Roadsters, (25) 510's and (44) Z Cars [and that was before the "Z Kings" showed up with another half dozen]. This is a count I made at about 11:00, and a few more showed up a little later in the day - last minute primping, don't you know. About ten ZCSD members were there and/or had a car on display (including Ben with his 510 box). One of the more

popular pastimes was for folks to put their arm around the "Mr K" poster and have their picture taken. Ed Peterson was one of the ZCSD winners - he got first in the modified class with his Ferrari 250 GTO conversion (see the picture below). The number of Z's is a tremendous improvement over the turnouts of previous years. last year there were about 14, in 94 there were about 14 and 93 there were about six!! The success is due in no small part to Jonnie Renard, who sent show announcement letters to quite a few ZCSD and Group Z members.

Watch upcoming issues of Z Car Magazine to see if some of ZCSD members' cars are shown. A photographer from ZCM was there and had several people pose their cars in front of the Nissan van that transports the racing cars. Assuming there is nothing more important, some of those pictures may appear in the magazine in the near future.



### Another Day at the Races -

On Saturday November 23 a string (2) of Z Cars wound it's way from COCO's to Palm Springs slowing only when the occasional sightseer dared to intrude on our driving space.

The races were in a different place than last year, south of the Airport and in undeveloped area. The races were more brutal than last year, there was a lot more bent sheet metal, definitely not what we went to see. The new track was not as spectator friendly, there were only three grandstands and two of those were on the front straight where all you could see was about 100 feet of track and the cars whizzing by. If you had the intention (like, who wouldn't) of visiting the pit area you had to cross the track, which was closed for 20 minutes for each race and opened for 5 min. for people to cross the track. There were even one

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## NISSAN IN THE NEWS

Pick up the January, 1997 issue of Sport Compact Car !!! Go - now - I'll wait. I hope you did not cheat. You should have already read "Z: A Once and Always Legend - A historic look at what made Nissan's Z-car great" and and "Soul and Inspiration - personal car of the man who made the Z a reality". They are both great reading. The first is a capsule of the history of the Z, including sidebars describing the racing history and Albrech Goertz' contribution to the styling of the 240. The second is a story about how Mr K's personal 240 Z has survived the years and come to the personal car of Jonnie Renard and then to her son Kenny. Of special interest to ZCSD members is the second paragraph on page 75 where the article states that the first time the car was displayed as "Mr K's car" was the 1994 National Z Car Club Convention hosted right here in America's Finest City by America's Finest Z Car Club!! Below is a picture of the car as displayed at the Convention, from my personal archives. The sign says "DATSUN 1972 240Z" >Originally driven by Y. Katayama, First President of Datsun USA >First



Automatic transmission Z in USA (Jan. 72) >Used as pace car at Ontario Motor Speedway and displayed at numerous auto shows".

Another story that appeared in Autoweek November 4 and in the San Diego Union-Tribune, North County Edition (us city folks were deprived of this story) is that Nissan is planning to have a shop restore older Z Cars and sell them in selected Nissan showrooms. I wonder if Dealers will still add a plethora of aftermarket stuff to drive the price up.

## Local and Regional automotive related events

<u>When</u>	<u>What</u>	<u>Where</u>
Dec 15, Jan 19, March 23,	Swap Meet	Murphy Stadium parking lot
January 4-12	Los Angeles Auto Show	LA Convention Center
April 1-6	San Diego Auto Show	SD Convention Center

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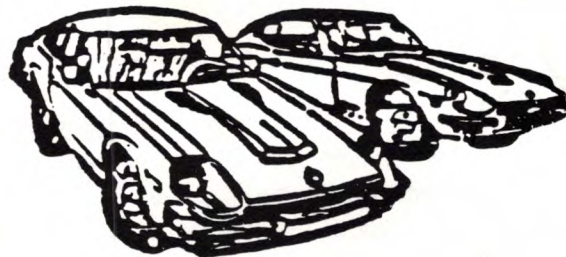
third the vendors there were last year. As we entered a young lady asked us to sign a paper that Chrysler may call and ask if we thought the race should be sponsored next year - hmmm. But a day of racing is a day of racing and always exciting. Brian Redman, for example, always gives the crowd a good show, as he and another car swapped the lead four times during a 15 minute race. Then there was the final exhibition race when John Morton showed a Pontiac NASCAR, a Camaro TRANS-AM, a Porsche 935 a Pantera and a passel of other lesser machines how to properly circle a race track. The Nissan #83 GTP-ZXT went lap after lap effortlessly for 15 minutes and lapped every car. At one point the NASCAR pulled way to the left so as not to impede the Nissan's progress - it was a wonderful sight. Other heats included a Ferarri 250 GTO, Allards, coopers, Loti, Elvas and almost any sports car you can name.





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<b>6: P.M. - 9 P.M.</b>	<b>RECEPTION (CASH BAR)</b>
<b>8 P.M. - 9 P.M.</b>	<b>NATIONAL ASSOCIATION MTG</b>
<b>9 P.M. UNTIL ?</b>	<b>TEXAS CLUB CHILI PARTY</b>

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 23RD**

<b>6 A.M. - 4 P.M.</b>	<b>TRACK EVENT - SUMMIT POINT, WV ?</b>
<b>6 P.M. UNTIL ?</b>	<b>FREE EVENING</b>

**THURSDAY, JULY 24TH**

<b>8:00 A.M. - 9 P.M.</b>	<b>REGISTRATION DESK OPEN</b>
<b>9:00 A.M. - 4 P.M.</b>	<b>RALLY - LANCASTER CTY/AMISH/ COVERED BRIDGES</b>
<b>6 P.M. - 10 P.M.</b>	<b>DINNER (TO BE DETERMINED SOON)</b>
<b>9 P.M. - 11 P.M.</b>	<b>NATIONAL ASSOCIATION MEETING</b>

**FRIDAY, JULY 25TH**

<b>8 A.M. - 9 P.M.</b>	<b>REGISTRATION DESK OPEN</b>
<b>9 A.M. - 4 P.M.</b>	<b>RALLY - GETTYSBURG</b>
<b>4 P.M. - 6 P.M.</b>	<b>SHOW JUDGES MEETING</b>
<b>6 P.M. - 10 P.M.</b>	<b>KEG &amp; CLEAN PARTY (DINNER ON YOUR OWN)</b>

**SATURDAY, JULY 26TH**

<b>9 A.M. - 4 P.M.</b>	<b>CAR SHOW</b>
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<b>6 P.M. - 10 P.M.</b>	<b>AWARDS BANQUET</b>
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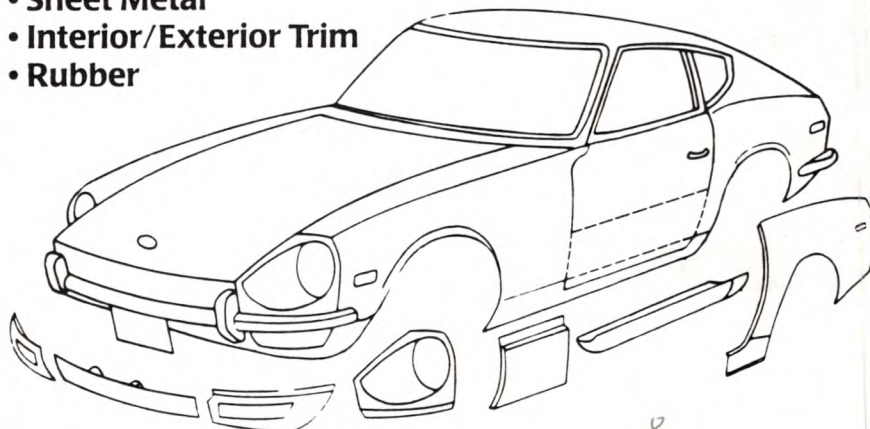
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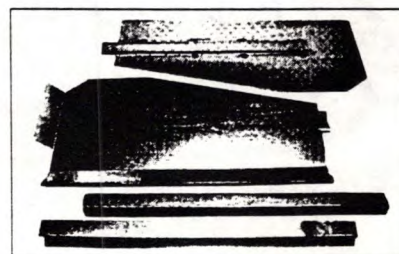
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