

# *Z Club of San Diego*

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**GENERAL MEETING IS TUESDAY**

**November 5, 2024 — 7:00 PM**

**AT DENNY'S**

**4280 Clairemont Mesa Blvd.**

**Come Enjoy Your Dinner at the Meeting!**



**DYNO DAY & BBQ**

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# SEZ THE PREZ

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With San Diego continuing to have summer-like temperatures, I hope everyone is still taking their Z's out for some fun drives.

Last month's dyno event was a great success. There were about seven cars from ZCSD and a couple of cars from the San Diego MOPAR Club. Lenny cooked his famous brats and hamburgers, and Sheri brought her famous death-by chocolate cake.

Our November Wine Run on Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, is a time to start your holiday shopping while having fun at the same time. More details later in this newsletter.

We will be having our annual election of board officers this month. Please let the board know if you are interested in serving on the board. New members are welcome to join.

Be healthy, be safe!

Z you on the road.

**Established in 1991 by the owner of Z-Whizz**

## The Z Car CLUB OF SAN DIEGO

Is a group of Datsun and Nissan Z enthusiasts and a Charter Member of the National Z Car Club Association.

**Purpose:** The Club is organized as a California Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation formed to:

- 1) Provide its members with access to knowledge about their Z Cars;
- 2) Provide a forum for members and other interested parties;
- 3) Exchange Z Car information;
- 4) Organize events and activities for members which enhance their enjoyment of Z Car ownership.

**Persons interested** in becoming a Member should fill out the Membership Form located on the last page of this Newsletter.

**Monthly Meetings** are held the first Tuesday of each month with a dinner at 6 PM and the meeting starting at 7 PM. See below for driving directions.

**Contact an Officer:** See the list of Officers on the left side of this Newsletter. Any officer will respond to your Email.

### Club Mailing Address:

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P.O. Box 710886  
Santee, CA 92072

### MONTHLY MEETING PLACE:

#### DENNY'S

**4280 Clairemont Mesa Blvd.**  
**San Diego, CA 921117**

### DRIVING DIRECTIONS:

From the 15;

Take the 52 West, exit on Gene-see Ave South, turn right on Clairemont Mesa Blvd, it's on the right just past Clairemont Drive.

From the 5;

Take the 52 East, exit on Regents Road South, continue onto Clairemont Mesa Blvd, it's on the left at the end of the Claremont Town Square shopping center.

**We park in back of Denny's**

## CHUCK'S NOVEMBER REPORT ON BIRTHDAYS & MEMBERSHIP

Birthdays		
SO Name	Last Name	Birth Date
Al	Milano	11/08
Sheri	Arnoth	11/17
Tona	Kisiel	11/18
Steve	Svercl	11/19
Roger	Castro	11/30



Cars Count	
ZCars	Model
20	240Z
1	260Z
10	280Z
10	280ZX
8	300ZX - Z31
10	300ZX - Z32
6	350Z - Z33
4	370Z - Z34

I would like to introduce Jason and Claudi Damron to the club. I haven't met them yet. Hopefully we will meet them soon. They have a 2019 370Z Nismo white in color.

The annual wine run is coming up. Hopefully the weather stays this nice. It's always great being outdoors and enjoying friends. Hopefully I will see you there.

Z Ya soon ,

*Chuck*



# 2024 ZCSD EVENT SCHEDULE

JAN. 6	ZCSD Hawk Watch & Lunch, Ramona
FEB. 10	Automobile Museum, Balboa Park & Lunch
MAR. 10	ZCSD Gimnick Run to Café 101
APRIL 13	ZCSD Cruz to the Campo Train Museum
APRIL 15-17	Bottom Buster Motor Tour
MAY 4	ZCSD Anniversary B-B-Q at Bates Nut Farm
JUNE 9	ZCSD Cruz to Idyllwild for Lunch
JULY 2	ZCSD — MEETING & Pizza at the de Anza Cove
JULY 20	Main Street America Car Show
JULY 21	ZCSD Cruz to the Eagle Gold Mine, Julian & Lunch
AUG. 17	ZCSD Sand Castle Cruz, & Lunch
SEPT. 9-14	ZCON 2024 — Tampa, FL
SEPT. 21	ZCSD North County Canyon Cruz & Lunch
OCT. 5	ZCSD DYNO Day <i>See article pgs. 8-13</i>
OCT. 12	JCCS—Long Beach
<b>NOV. 2</b>	<b>ZCSD Wine Cruz &amp; Lunch</b> <i>See Flyer pg. 6</i>
<b>NOV. 5</b>	<b>ZCSD General Meeting Denny's, 7:00 PM</b> <b>4280 Clairemont Mesa Blvd.</b>
<b>NOV. 9</b>	<b>Cruise to South OC Cars and Coffee</b> <i>Info pg. 16</i>
<b>NOV. 17</b>	<b>Datsuns and Coffee 8am-10am</b> <i>see flyer pg. 14</i>
DEC. 7	ZCSD HOLIDAY PARTY <i>See Flyer pg. 7</i>

**The Racing Schedule is on pg. 17**

**ZCSD Meetings held the First Tuesday of every month at  
Denny's, 4280 Clairemont Mesa Blvd.  
7:00pm**

**Come Early and Enjoy Your Dinner Before the Meeting!**

# GENERAL MEETING

SEPTEMBER 6, 2024

## Secretary's Scribblings

*By Patty Cook*

Unfortunately our speaker had the wrong date in his calendar. But, he has promised to get it right this month! So you won't want to miss Andre speaking at our next meeting.

Michael presented a new question for our introductions: Do you have any plans to make the 2025 ZCON at Nashville, TN or the 2026 ZCON at Phoenix, AZ. Most everyone opted out of Nashville in the summer heat and we are all keeping our fingers crossed that the 2026 ZCON will be held in the Spring before it gets too hot in Phoenix.

There was only 1 birthday celebrant at the meeting, so Clif Yaussi got his choice of items and took home a great magazine.

Don't forget, the Wine Drive is BEFORE the next meeting! AND thank you David for getting this Newsletter out, while I am out of town.

# **SAVE THE DATE**



## ***ZCSD Ramona Valley Winery Tour and Lunch***

**Saturday, November 2nd, 2024**

Come join us for our annual Ramona Valley run.  
Our day will include visits to a variety of wineries and lunch.

We will gather between 9:00 & 10:00 a.m.  
for coffee, conversation, tasting, and browsing at

***Bernardo Winery and Shops***  
***13330 Paseo del Verano Norte, San Diego, CA 92128***

Destinations and driving instructions will be available  
when we meet on Saturday morning.

This is one of our most popular events, so don't miss it and thanks  
for making the Z Club of San Diego

***The most active Z Club in Southern California!***



# *Christmas Party*

## **When:**

Saturday, December 7th  
at 1 p.m.

## **Where:**

El Torito Mexican Restaurant  
5024 Baltimore Drive  
La Mesa, CA 91942

Please come and celebrate with our members and guests!  
Lunch buffet will be served from 1 to 2 p.m.

*The price is \$30 per person (tax and gratuity included)*  
Payable at the door

Included is a chicken or steak fajita and cheese enchilada buffet,  
soft drinks, tea & coffee,  
and a Christmas celebration cake for dessert.

We will once again have our world famous, often imitated,  
but never duplicated  
*Christmas Gift Swipe!*

If you would like to participate in the gift swipe please bring a wrapped item in the \$20  
price range.

There is a **maximum of one gift per guest**, please.

There will also be a children's toy drive benefiting  
The Boys & Girls Club of East County  
(please bring a new, unwrapped toy)

So please come out and join us for lots of fun, friends and  
a chance to steal the gift of your dreams!

*And thanks for making the Z Club of San Diego  
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## ZCSD ANNUAL DYNO DAY 2024

October 5<sup>th</sup>, originally we were supposed to start at 10am at **The Dyno Shop** in Santee but those plans got changed and now the day started at 8am. I decided I would be a little late. Apparently older age has messed with my punctuality issues. I was still there by 8:15 and Mike's Challenger was already on the Dyno. This is my 1<sup>st</sup> year participating in this event. I wasn't able to make it last year and it would have been nice to find out how much more my air intake put out to the wheel, but wow! I have never been to a dyno shop in my life. It was a real treat!



Lots of people started to arrive. I texted a few to make sure they knew the new start time and those people started to come in as well. Roger said he was waiting for the 10am start time to arrive because he was excited to get his car's numbers so he left a little early and was surprised to find a lot of us already there.

(My advice to all club members and participants, **READ THE EMAILS I SEND OUT, I PUT ANYTHING THAT CHANGES IN THEM.**)

I didn't want to be in front of anyone that wanted to put their cars on and get out early. I was truly enjoying the sound and energy of the cars getting hooked up and contained and then throttled up to their respective RPMs to find out how much power they put to the ground. I did learn, in the future, ear plugs are essential. All I will say is that experience is a wonderful thing, especially if you can remember what you learned from the last time you experienced an event.

Several participants pulled out travel chairs and set up to watch the cars as they were contained on the dyno and put through their pulls. I never knew that running cars on a dynamometer was such a spectator sport, but it truly is!



Lenny and Sheri brought food and let me tell you that was incredibly awesome as well! Hot dogs, Lenny's special brats, and hamburgers. Sheri had her "Death by Chocolate cake. I have never liked bratwurst sausage. Lenny assured me that I would absolutely like his. I am not a trusting individual. I still wonder about things my dad told me growing up. I tried one of Lenny's Brats, though, and not only was it incredibly good. It was one of the best sausages I have ever had. Sheri's cake could actually live up to it's name as well, at least to me, being a diabetic\* and all. **DISCLAIMER:** *\*(Absolutely no diabetics were hurt, injured, or*

*put into stress, eating cake that day!)*



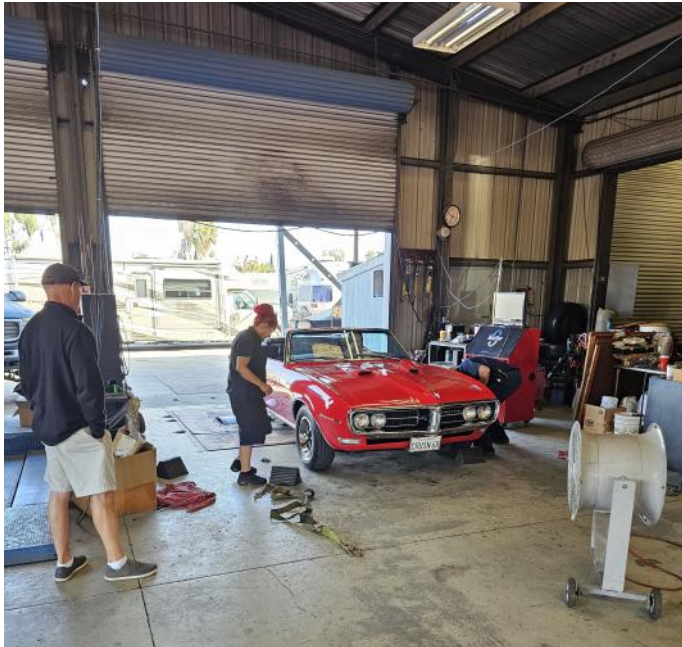
## ZCSD ANNUAL DYNO DAY 2024

Mike Ryan	240Z	186.5 WHP @ 5400 rpms	195.5 ft-lbs @ 4600 rpms
Phil Barlow	260Z "350"	278 WHP @ 5600 rpms	265 ft-lbs @ 5500 rpms
Roger Castro	300ZX Z32	479WHP @ 6000 rpms	439 ft-lbs @ 5600 rpms
Greg Carlson	240Z	85 WHP @ 4600 rpms	120 ft-lbs @ 2600 rpms
Dave Gonzales	280Z 10 <sup>th</sup> A	104 WHP @ 5000 rpms	123 ft-lbs @ 4000 rpms
Dennis Darnall	BMW Racecar	226.2 WHP @ 6700 rpms	206.5 ft-lbs @ 4800 rpms
David Ferris	370Z	293 WHP @ 7100 rpms	247 ft-lbs @ 5250 rpms

The table above shows the results I could get from the owners. The numbers are slightly rounded as I didn't want to take things out to 2 decimal places, but this will give the general idea for the day. Wally's 240Z put out 154 WHP, but I didn't get the other numbers for him. I think Roger had the most WHP, but I didn't get results from Alan and Laura Hanson's 300ZX, Mike's Challenger, Sheri's Charger, the Grand National, or Jim Thomson's Firebird. We had 8 Zs and 3 other cars in the club tested, and 2 Mopar club participants. I really enjoyed this new spectator sport. We really appreciate the Dyno Shop in Santee for letting us continue this event every year and for all the fun we had hanging out in their shop watching them test our cars!



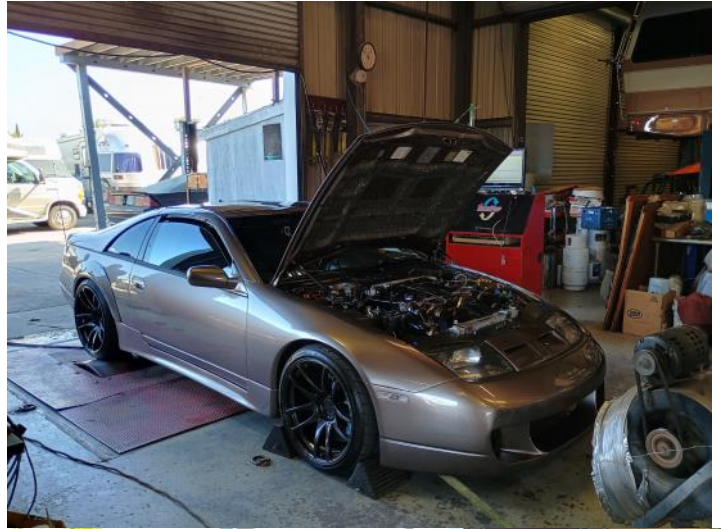
## ZCSD ANNUAL DYNO DAY 2024



Dennis' BMW, Wally's 240z, Phil's 260z-350, Greg's 240z, Jim's Firebird. David's 370z, Mike's 240z, Roger's 300zx, David's 280z 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary, Alan and Laura's 300zx, Sheri's Charger, and the Grand National (I don't remember the owner's name but they were a very nice family)



## ZCSD ANNUAL DYNO DAY 2024



And the Mopar Club Participants.





## ZCSD ANNUAL DYNO DAY 2024

We were in full swing by 11am and most everyone had gone through. We had all eaten some really great food, and the day was getting closer to the end. David Gonzales, Mike Ryan, Alan Hanson, and Greg Carlson were the last to have their cars put up.

After we got the grill and accoutrements put in the back of the truck, we decided that we were dehydrated. It was in the cards that we would go from here to a brewery close by, Sunny Grove Brewing Company. We gathered at the bar and had a pint or two to wash away the dust blown up by the exhaust of our respective test subjects.

Alex, the one who operated all of our vehicles on the dyno decided to join us for a taste as well. We learned a little bit about how much he loves his job and place of employment and I'm sure a few of us were very envious about what he does for a living. We are all very grateful for the respect and care he showed each one of our vehicles.



## ZCSD ANNUAL DYNO DAY 2024



For my very 1<sup>st</sup> dyno day I would say it was an exceptional time. I truly had an awesome day, so don't be surprised next year if I talk your ear off trying to get you to come hang out with us at the shop and watch all the cars wind up to get their numbers on a sheet of paper with a cool graph! See you next time!

Article by David Ferris. Pictures by David Ferris, David Gonzales, Michael Montag, Dennis Darnall,



## Datsun Enthusiasts Monthly Meet

You are invited to the monthly Coffee & Datsuns

**Sunday November 17th at:**

**Coffee Bean and Tea**

12070 Carmel Mountain Rd San Diego 92128

This is a coffee and cars format, from around **8am to 10am**. Come out and kick some tires and visit with some Z guys and girls.

This is a third Sunday meet every month.

This is not a Z Club sponsored event just an opportunity to drive your Z and hang with Z people. For more info visit their Facebook page

[www.facebook.com/groups/sandiegoDatsunEnthusiasts](http://www.facebook.com/groups/sandiegoDatsunEnthusiasts).



## **Monthly Cars and Coffee Sightings**

**We are going to try and get together a list of monthly cars and coffees that some of us go to. There is always the one we promote, Datsuns and Coffee in Carmel Mountain Ranch on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month at 8am till 10am in front of the Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf at 12070 Carmel Mountain Road, 92128.**

**There is also a Cars and Coffee and Donuts at the San Diego Automotive Museum at 2080 Pan American Plaza, San Diego, 92101. This is also the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month, and it starts at 7:30am and goes until 9am, although getting there earlier is a good idea because it seems to fill up fast. I'm told it's possible to go to both of these on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Morning. The Carmel Mountain one seems to go a little longer than 10am most Sundays.**

**There is a Point Loma Cars and Coffee every Saturday at 2250 Shelter Island Drive from 8am to 10am. It has really pretty views of the bay and the city skyline.**

**There is also the biggest weekly Cars and Coffee in Southern California every Saturday at the South OC Cars and Coffee at the San Clemente Outlets at 101 W Avenida Vista Hermosa San Clemente, Ca. You can get instructions about this weekly event at [www.southoccarsandcoffee.com](http://www.southoccarsandcoffee.com). Are there any other Cars and Coffees that someone would like to inform the club about?**

**I know of another that has a lot of exotic cars at Rancho Santa Fe, at 6004 Paseo Delicias, Rancho Santa Fe, 92091. This goes on every Saturday from 8am to 11am and I'm told there are some really great cars at this event. There are several websites that promote this event if you want more information.**

**Please feel free to email me at [faithfuldf67@gmail.com](mailto:faithfuldf67@gmail.com) or Patty at [patty@captscook.com](mailto:patty@captscook.com), to put any others in the Newsletter.**

## November 9th, 2024 South OC Cars and Coffee

November 9th, for anyone wishing to go, we will be meeting at the Northbound Alido Creek San Diego rest area on the I5 at 8:00am and leave at 8:30am. It's 20 minutes from the rest area and they ask to not arrive before 8:30am. Anyone wishing to go is welcome to attend and cruise up with us.

If you'd like more information about the event you can go to [www.southoccarsandcoffee.com/](http://www.southoccarsandcoffee.com/).

If you have any questions please feel free to email me at [faithfuldf67@gmail.com](mailto:faithfuldf67@gmail.com). Let's see how many Zs we can get to attend!



# **2024 SCCA — Competition Schedule**

## **SAN DIEGO REGION SCCA**



### **AUTOCROSS — Lake Elsinore Storm Stadium, Lake Elsinore**

**Nov 2—3 and 23**

**Dec 14**

### **ROAD RALLY — San Diego**

**Sept 14—"It's a Pie Run"**

**Dec 7**

### **SPEED VENTURES OPEN TRACK DAYS**

#### **Chuckwalla Valley Raceway**

**Nov 9 & 10**

#### **Willow Springs Int'l Raceway**

**Nov 2**

**Dec 14 & 15**

#### **Buttonwillow Raceway**

**Dec 21 & 22**

**For more information about San Diego SCCA events please visit:**

*<https://sdrscca.motorsportreg.com/>*

*<https://speeddistrict.com/>*





# Z Club of San Diego

## Membership Form



Active Full Member Renewal \$36.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
Military/Student Full Membership \$21.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
Associate Member Renewal \$21.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate level of membership, sign and return this form with check payable to:

Z Club of San Diego  
P.O. Box 710886  
Santee, CA 92072-0886

*Membership renewals are due in March. Please, return this form along with your payment.*

*Thank you,  
Chuck Golden  
Membership Coordinator  
760-443-5625*

<b>Member Number</b>	<i>If known for renewal</i>				
<b>First Name</b>		<b>Last Name</b>		<b>Nick Name</b>	<b>Birth Date MM/DD</b>
<b>SO First Name</b>		<b>SO Last Name</b>		<b>SO Nick Name</b>	<b>SO Birth Date MM/DD</b>
<b>Street Address</b>		<b>City</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Zip Code</b>	<b>Phone</b>
<b>E-Mail Address</b>			<b>SO Email Address</b>		
<b>Z Car #1 Year/Model/Color</b>		<b>Z Car #2 Year/Model/Color</b>		<b>Z Car #3 Year/Model/Color</b>	

### Waiver and Release from Liability

This form limits Z Club of San Diego's liability. Read it thoroughly and sign below.

As a Member of the Z Club of San Diego (ZCSD), I am solely responsible for any damage or injury to third parties, or myself resulting from anything connected with ZCSD Events/Activities. I agree to fully indemnify and hold ZCSD, its officers and representatives harmless for or in any claim, loss, damage, injury or liability which may be asserted against them by me or by any third party as a result of my activity. The foregoing covenants of exculpation and indemnity are intended to be and are complete, general and without restriction and include but are not limited to negligence (active or passive) or willful, reckless or wanton activity. I further agree that my car will be operated by a licensed driver and that the driver will comply with all applicable provisions of the California Vehicle Code. I further warrant that I carry automobile liability insurance on the vehicle, meeting or exceeding all California statutory requirements and that this insurance will be in force and effect for all ZCSD Events/Activities in which I participate. I will not participate in any Event/Activity under the influence of any alcoholic beverages or other drug or drugs that would impair my ability to perform at ZCSD Events/Activities. This release will be active for all ZCSD Events/Activities in which I participate.

Member \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse(Significant Other) \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_