

Z Club of San Diego

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GENERAL MEETING IS TUESDAY

December 3, 2024 — 7:00 PM

AT DENNY'S

4280 Clairemont Mesa Blvd.

Come Enjoy Your Dinner at the Meeting!



Wine Cruz

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Pictures pgs. 7-10*



SEZ THE PREZ

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I hope everyone had a wonderful and safe Thanksgiving with family and friends. Did anyone get a chance to take their Z out over the holiday?

The club's famous Wine Cruz occurred on Saturday, November 9th, with approximately 12 people in attendance. A great lunch was had at Mariscos del Mar de Cortez. Due to a festival in downtown Ramona, there were no root beer floats this year. A big shoutout to Lenny and Sheri for a wonderful run.

Our last event of the year is the annual Holiday Party, which will be held on Saturday, December 7th, at El Torito in La Mesa. Come on down and have a great time. Don't forget to bring a gift for the Toy Drive and/or white elephant gift exchange. An event flyer is later in this newsletter. See pg. 6

The ZCSD Board will be meeting next month, January 2025, to lay out and schedule events for the coming year. Please pass on to any board member events, activities, or runs you would like to see the club do in the coming year.

For those curious about ZCSD's election night, the following individuals were elected to the board:

- President – Michael Montag
- Vice President – David Ferris
- Secretary – Patty Cook
- Treasurer – Dennis Darnell
- Club Store – Sheri Arnoth
- Events Coordinator – Lenny Arnoth
- Member at Large – Mike Ryan
- Membership – Chuck Golden
- Track Coordinator – Wally Cook
- Webmaster – Carl Cook

I would like to thank the 2024 ZCSD Board members David, Dennis, Patty, Wally, Chuck, Lenny, Sheri, Clif and Carl Cook for their hard work in making the a club success in 2024. The board is looking forward to continuing to make ZCSD the most active Z car club in 2025. Now, let's drive those Z's.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Michael

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.

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MONTHLY MEETING PLACE:

DENNY'S
4280 Clairemont Mesa Blvd.
San Diego, CA 92117

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 DECEMBER REPORT ON BIRTHDAYS & MEMBERSHIP

Birthdays		
First Name	Last Name	Birth Date
Judy	Heintskill	12/21
Diane	Golden	12/22
Jon	Krause	12/27
Mikel	Krause	12/29
Linda	Thompson	12/29



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

December 3rd is our next meeting, hope to Z ya there.

Then the next Saturday we will have our Annual Xmas party at El Torito's in La Mesa. This year it will be buffet style. We will see how it goes. Don't forget to bring a gift for the gift swipe.

Z ya at the next meeting

Chuck

2024 ZCSD EVENT SCHEDULE

JAN. 6	ZCSD Hawk Watch & Lunch, Ramona
FEB. 10	Automobile Museum, Balboa Park & Lunch
MAR. 10	ZCSD Gimmick 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
OCT. 12	JCCS—Long Beach
NOV. 9	ZCSD Wine Cruz & Lunch <i>Article & Pictures pgs. 7-10</i>
NOV. 16	Cruz to the South OC Cars & Coffee <i>Article & Pictures pgs. 11-13</i>
DEC. 3	ZCSD General Meeting
DEC. 7	ZCSD HOLIDAY PARTY <i>Flyer pg. 6</i>
DEC. 15	Datsun Enthusiasts Coffee & Datsuns <i>Flyer & Pictures pgs. 15-16</i>

Cars and Coffee in Southern California — Schedule on pg. 14

SCCA & Speed Ventures Racing, Rally & Autocross — Schedule 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!

ALWAYS Watch for special flyers regarding upcoming events

GENERAL MEETING

NOVEMBER 5, 2024

Secretary's Scribblings

By Patty Cook

Pres. Michael opened the meeting with simple introductions. During the introductions, Patty thanked VP David for getting the November Newsletter out during her absence. David responded that Patty was no longer allowed to go on any vacations that might interfere with Newsletter publications...

Michael then opened Nominations from the floor and asked for volunteers to fill the officer slots. No one responded, so he proposed that the current board continue into 2025. Subsequently, Mike Ryan replaced Clif Yaussi as Member-At-Large, as Clif requested to step down.

Due to the weather forecast, the Wine Cruz was moved to the 9th. David said he would lead a caravan to the San Clemente Cars & Coffee on Nov. 16th. After the Christmas party was discussed, we adjourned.



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

The most active Z Club in Southern California!



WINE CRUZ

NOVEMBER 9, 2024



Saturday Morning events are always a thrill for me. You wake up knowing you're going to be doing something in your own personal sports car, even if it's not something that seems that sporty. It was the morning of the annual ZCSD Wine Run. We were starting an hour later than last year, and that little extra time allowed me a very restful night before. I had a good friend of mine coming along for the run and the day looked to be bright outside.

I have been a member of the club since May of 2023, so this is only the 2nd time doing this annual run. Last year I was a little early at the meet up and I had never been to the Bernardo Winery despite the fact that it's only a few miles from where I live, and less than a mile from my father-in-law's place. This year I was yet again the 1st one to the venue, but it wasn't long before the rest of the club started showing up.

It is a very historical winery, being one of the very 1st built in southern California. There are several little shops inside with wares for sale and coffee and sweets available. After we got our morning caffeine fix and caught up with club

member's current events, we got to do a little tasting. The server behind the pouring counter gave us a little history of the winery and told us about some of the wines available. A few of us tried the wines and the one I tried got paired with a chocolate from the sweets store. It was a very good way to start the day off, I thought.



WINE CRUZ - CONT.

Greg and Judy, Roger, Mike and Marcy, Patty (who came to check and see what was taking us so long) and Wally, Michele, my friend Ken, of course Sheri and Lenny, and myself were all in attendance.



When we were done with the taste of the grape we met in the parking lot. Sheri gave us some instructions and we started our sports cars and headed out. We had about 7 groups of people and our first stop was going to be Turtle Rock Winery. It was a nice ride through the countryside to Ramona. The air was a little chilly but the sun was bright. It eventually warmed up, and although you wouldn't call it a summer day it was a very respectable day in southern California for fall. We took a windy road off Pomerado towards Ramona and although there was some traffic, it was still very peaceful heading towards the east.



When we got to Turtle Rock, Dennis joined the group. Some of the club got tastings and the sangria offered was very good. It was a beautiful day and we sat and looked at the surrounding scenery and shared with each other what we had done since the last time we got together. Patty and Wally had some great stories about the vacation they had just gotten back from and you could tell they had a great time.

WINE CRUZ - CONT.



We had planned a few other stops, but timing was bad this weekend as Ramona had a music festival type event going on and that interfered with the brewery and distillery we had planned as our next stops. Being in a Z club means you can Zag instead of Zig sometimes and so we decided lunch was in order. We went to one of our favorite Mexican places in Ramona where they

had table waiting for us, thanks to Dennis. Mariscos Del Mar De Cortez is where we went for lunch. With the little blip in the format for the day, this was our last stop. We all had a nice meal together and discussed wine and cars and other things.

WINE CRUZ - CONT.



I've been told this a few times now by different club members but I'm finding it very much true, you come for the cars but more and more you stay for the people in the club. As I'm closing in a year and a half in this club, I'm finding I more and more enjoy the comradery with the other club members and look forward to the next time we all get together. Until the Christmas party in December, I wish all of you club members a Happy Thanksgiving and a wonderful holiday season.



Article by David Ferris

*Pictures by David Ferris
and Michael Montag*

SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY – CARS AND COFFEE

NOVEMBER 16, 2024

As members of the Z club of San Diego, we belong to a car culture community. Being a new member of that community, even though I've loved cars since I was 4 years old, is an incredible experience. The people I've met are excellent. The cars I've seen are exquisite. The places I've driven to are, for the most part, beautiful. The possibilities are endless.

Car culture has something that's been around for awhile but in the very early part of the 21st century we started calling it Cars and Coffee. I've been going to them for almost 2 years with my 2014 Roadster. I thoroughly enjoy them. You get to see the vehicles, what someone has done with them, and talk to the owners about them. What's more enjoyable? (Well if you got to drive them as well, but I think that's asking too much.) Many in the club have been to the Sunday Coffee and Datsuns in Carmel Mountain Ranch on the 3rd Sunday of every month. Southern California has a lot of cars and coffees every single week. The biggest one in SoCal is in San Clemente. It's called South OC Cars and Coffee.

www.southoccarsandcoffee.com. What's more is that it happens every single Saturday.

Saturday the 16th the club organized an event to go up to South OC Cars and Coffee. It was supposed to rain but it turned out to be an absolutely beautiful day. 7 of us met at the northbound rest stop off I-5 just past Oceanside to go up to The Outlets at San Clemente. The actual event runs from 9am to 11am at 101 W Avenida Vista Hermosa, San Clemente, 92672. They allow everyone to start entering to park at 8:30am. As a club you can



get in at 8am. They let us park together on the edge of the parking structure and be set in place before the main crowd.

SOUTH OC CARS AND COFFEE - CONT.

We had almost every available body style, S30's to Z34s but were missing the last Z34s and the Z31s. Still, we had a nice turnout for a beautiful day.

We had a couple of new attendees to our events. Matt Doyle in his 370Z, he's working on making it a Nismo style spec. The other newbie is Ralph Carwin, in his restored from the ground up green, 1971, 240Z. Both of these cars are beautiful,



and the owners are terrific people to hang out with. Mike Ryan and Ralph Carwin talked to dozens of people at the Cars and Coffee, especially when they came over with questions or stories about our cars.



At the venue there was every kind of car imaginable, almost. At least it seemed that way. We were told that this was a smaller turnout than normal but in estimate, I think there were around 500 cars there. There was one

new Ford Supercar, and the Ford Mustang GTD. There were Porsches, Ferraris, Lamborghinis, Audis, Jaguars, etc... Just lots of cars. Everyone we stopped to talk to about their car was more than willing to share a little of the journey that got them and their vehicle to the event. We heard some incredible stories and saw some incredible sights.



SOUTH OC CARS AND COFFEE - CONT.

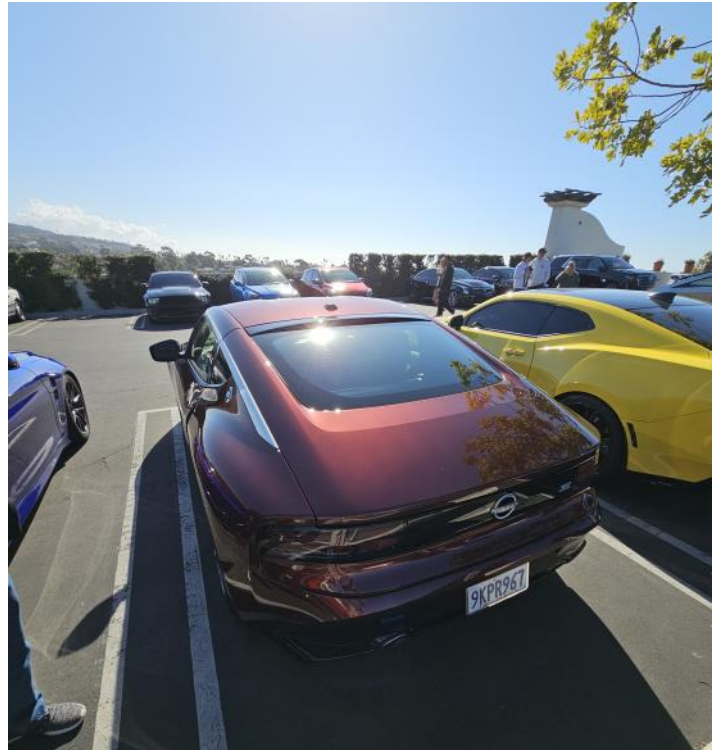
This event happens every single Saturday, but as a club we will be trying to go up as a club once a quarter. This coming year we will put that date in the event calendar so people can plan, and we can get the information we need to get in early as a club. It was a wonderful time there. Traffic on the way up was very easy to deal with. On the way back it was much harder. Those looking to go up in the fu-



ture, plan on not getting back until mid afternoon, that is unless you want to shop at the outlets, then it would be a full day.

Most of us had lunch at the Ruby's there and spent the lunch time talking about what we had seen and what impressed us the most. We got to know a little bit more about each other's cars and what we've done to them. We also got to know a little

more about our fellow Z owners. It was a perfect day in the Z car culture community in southern California.



Article and Pictures by David Ferris

CARS AND COFFEE IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FOR THE NEXT MONTH

Every Saturday:

1. **Point Loma Cars and Coffee.** 7:30-10:am, 2230 Shelter Island Dr. San Diego, 92106
2. **Rancho Santa Fe Cars & Coffee,** 8:00am-12:00pm, 6004 Paseo Delicias, Rancho Santa Fe, 92091
3. **South OC Cars and Coffee.** 101 W Avenida Nista Hermosa, San Clemente, 92672
4. **Bonita Cars and Coffee (The BCC)** 7:00am-9:00am. 4414 Bonita Rd. Ca 91902
5. **Carlsbad Cars and Coffee** 7:00am-9:00am 7130 Avenida Encinas, Carlsbad 92011

Every Sunday:

1. **Escondido Cars and Coffee.** 7:00am-9:00am. 3333 Bear Valley Pkwy. 92025

Every 3rd Sunday of the Month:

1. **San Diego Automotive Museum Cars and Coffee.** 7:30am-9:00am. 2080 Pan American Plaza, San Diego, 92101
2. **Coffee and Datsuns.** 8:00am- 10:00am. 12070 Carmel Mountain Rd. San Diego, 92128

Saturday, Nov. 23rd - Santee Cars & Coffee. 7:00am-9:00am. 9626 Carlton Hills Blvd. Santee 92071

Sunday Dec. 1st - East County Cars and Coffee. 7:00am-9:00am. 8959 Carlton Hills Blvd. Santee, 92071. Mary's Donuts

Saturday December 21st - San Diego Cars and Coffee, Elite Finish, 9:00am-11:00am 8820 Kenmar Dr. Suite 503 San Diego, 92121

You can find more information on different cars and coffee at the San Diego Museum Page on Facebook. They try and list events that go on for every week.

If there are any Cars and Coffees you'd like listed that aren't on here, please send me the information (Date, Time, and Address) to Faithfuldf67@gmail.com with Cars and Coffee not listed, in the subject line.



Datsun Enthusiasts Monthly Meet

You are invited to the monthly Coffee & Datsuns

Sunday December 15th 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.

DATSUNS AND COFFEE

OCTOBER 20, 2024



And Now For Some Right Hand Drives!



2024 SCCA — Competition Schedule

SAN DIEGO REGION SCCA



AUTOCROSS — Lake Elsinore Storm Stadium, Lake Elsinore

Dec 14

ROAD RALLY — San Diego

Dec 7– “Coast to Coast”

SCCA OPEN TRACK DAYS

Chuckwalla Valley Raceway

Desert Center

Jan 25 & 26*

* There will be a women’s only novice group on Sunday 1/26

SPEED VENTURES OPEN TRACK DAYS

Willow Springs Int’l Raceway

Dec 14 — ROAD COURSE

Dec 15 — STREETS of Willow Springs

Buttonwillow Raceway

Dec 21 & 22

For more information about San Diego SCCA events please visit:

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

<https://speedventures.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 _____

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

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

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

Z Club of San Diego
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 Santee, CA 92072-0886

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

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