

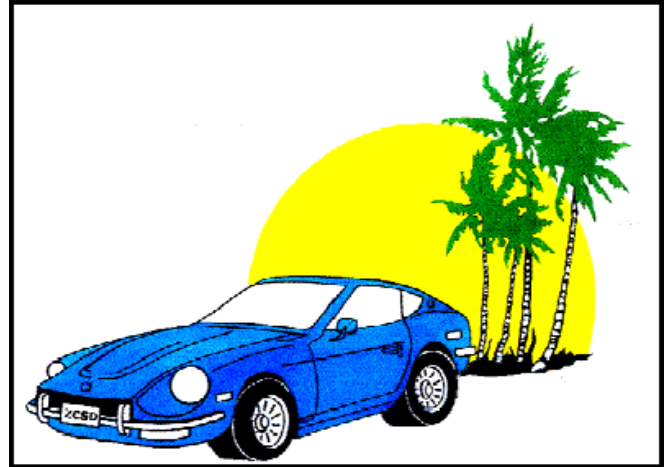
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**NEXT GENERAL MEETING IS FEBRUARY 7TH AT DENNY'S
in the Clairemont Square Shopping Center (See Page 2)**



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We belong to the Z Club of San Diego because we have a Z car that we love (or hate if not running), and to drive your car in organized drives (or runs), show your car off at car shows, and to be a part of a great group of people that like their cars as much as you do.

We are looking forward to another great year of meetings, speakers, and drives. The ZCSD has become the most active Z Car Club in California, and may be in the Western States.

It is that time of year where we need to pay our dues. The reason for the dues is to pay for the expense of running the club which include the following: 1) Paying for our membership in the National Z Club of America, 2) club insurance for the events that we organize and run, 3) the printing and distribution of the Newsletter, 4) part of your cost for the Holiday Party in December is paid by the Club. Don't miss out. Fill out the renewal form and pay your dues.



Z CLUB OF SAN DIEGO

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

Z CLUB OF SAN DIEGO is a group of Datsun / Nissan Z enthusiasts dedicated to the NISSAN marquee. As a

Charter member of the National Z Car Club Association its sole purpose is to promote interest in Zs through social activities, touring outings and charitable events.

Persons interested in upholding the same ideals toward Zs are encouraged to join the ZCSD. Annual dues for new and continuing members, are \$36. Members receive ZCSD discounts at participating parts and/or service dealers, receive the monthly newsletter, and may participate in monthly club events.

Monthly meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month starting at 7:00 pm at **Denny's Restaurant located in the Clairemont Square shopping Center**, just a stones throw from Krispy Crème donuts, unless otherwise posted. Come early and socialize! Club event ideas and advertising submissions are welcome. Items to be placed in the classified section of the newsletter are listed at no charge to paid members and run for three months unless cancelled or renewed. Submissions should be received by the 10th of the month prior to publication. Send submissions to:

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Come to the meetings OR CONTACT AN OFFICER

should you need more information

Our monthly meeting place:

DENNY'S

4280 Clairemont Mesa Blvd.

San Diego, CA 92117

Driving directions:

From 52, take the Genesee exit south to Clairemont Mesa, go west just past Clairemont Drive, and it's on the right

From 5, go to Clairemont Dr and go east a couple miles 'til you get to the Clairemont Square Center. Turn right on Clairemont Mesa Blvd. Then look for the Denny's. on your left. We park in back of Denny's

ZCSD EVENTS

2012

- February 25th** Dyno Day and BBQ- Lenny, organizer
- March 4th** Empire Z's 6th Annual Avocado CruZe –Note the new date
March 10th ZCSD's Tech Session at Bumper Doc-David ,organizer
March 18th Palomar Mountain Run-SoCal United ,Organizer
- April 23rd-25th** Bottom Buster Motor Tour for all "Classic" cars
April 27-29 Motorsport Auto Z car West Nationals– back on Collins Ave in OC.
- May 6th** ZCSD Annual Picnic at Santee Lakes-Sheri Arnoth, organizer
- September 18th To the 22nd** ZCCA National Convention in Phoenix, AZ

MORE EVENTS TO BE REVEAL AT THE GENERAL MEETING



Dyno Shop is San Diego's premier performance and repair facility for motor homes, cars, trucks, and hot rods. Family owned and operated for 40 years, The Dyno Shop provides expert automotive repair and tuning services!

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We are conveniently located in Santee, close to Interstate 8, Highway 67 and Highway 52. Strap on the Dyno for \$60.00 as always

Find out Exactly what you car is doing

Free food to ZCSD Members

BBQ will fire up at 11:00 Burgers & Dogs Water n Chips

PATTY'S REPORT



Prez Wally Cook opened the General Meeting, welcoming everyone. It was a well attended meeting with guests; Larry, Lisa and Joshua Foster. Wally introduced our speaker who talked about upgrading your brakes and what to watch for if you have non-standard wheels/tires on your ride. The officers gave their reports and Clif talked about the upcoming Campo Cruz to the Transportation museum and the Train museum. There was also a discussion about the ZCCA National Convention in Phoenix next September and Lenny updated us on the progress of our 2014 Convention bid.

The Board Meeting held January 17th where we discussed the upcoming speakers and drives. See details elsewhere in this newsletter. The next board meeting – open to all members – will be Tuesday, February 21st at 7:00 PM, Marie Callender's (6950

ZCSD STORE



NEW CLUB SHIRTS ARE IN !!!
\$ 25.00

CLEARANCE SALE

**ALL REMAINING ITEMS
IN STOCK**

**See Michele for sales of
Remaining stock**

CLIF'S MEMBERSHIP

Total Members: 119

**Thanks for joining the most
active Z-Club in Southern
California**



**Which Z car is the
most popular in ZCSD?**

**Welcome to the most
Active club in San Diego**

**FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS
Happy Birthday!**

Z CAR	MODEL
23	240Z
4	260Z
14	280Z
11	280ZX
7	300ZX-Z31
13	300ZX-Z32
12	350Z-Z33
5	370-Z34

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Michael	Libonate	02/08
Jay	Zorzy	02/10
Dennis	Ramirez	02/11
Dara	Bakhshandeh	02/11
Hugh	Clark	02/14
Debbie Lynn	Connolly	02/15
Michael	Montag	02/17
Patty	Cook	02/17
Marcia	Yausi	02//19
Carol	Peterson	02/23
Peter	Grubb	02/24
Gloria	Libonate	02//26
Roni	Austin	02/28
David	Bramzon	02/28
Janee	Jaime	02/28

**REMEMBER MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS WILL BE MAILED
OUT MID FEBRUARY.THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!!**

Short note from your editor And Vice-Prez



February already ? you got to be kidding. Well , you know time flights when you are having fun and if you joined us for the January Run most certainly you did. AWESOME DRIVE!!! under the weather : rain ,fog, wind and cold like you don't get in San Diego very often it was just exciting and amazing the whole panorama was like a different world . The curators at the Motor Transportation Museum, Bryan Butler and Carl Calvert were very knowledgeable and very informative and made us feel very welcome and lets us walked around and answer all our questions, they show all the restorations projects in particular, The Julian Stage line 1924 Cadillac which Carl was nice enough to turn on for us. This stage used to carry passengers from San Diego to Julian in the 1920's. They also have on display one of the first Mack trucks nickname the Bulldog due to the resemblance to the dog breed which became so common and popular that the company adopted the Bulldog as their mascot and hood ornament.

David

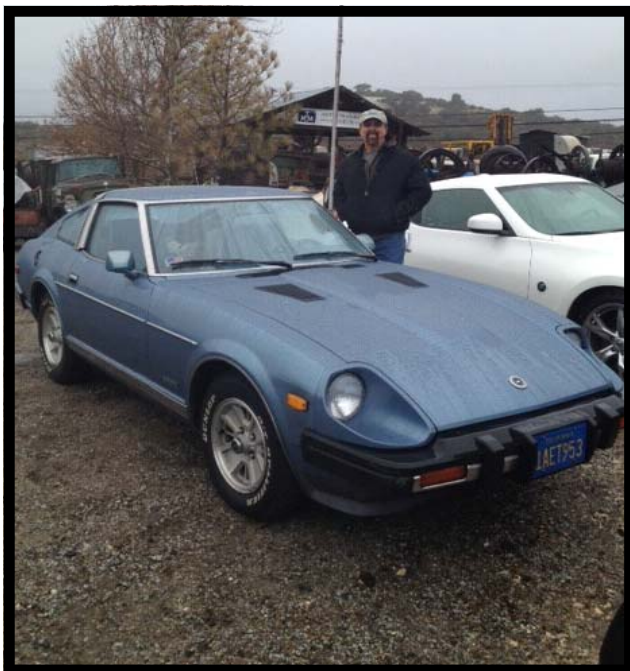


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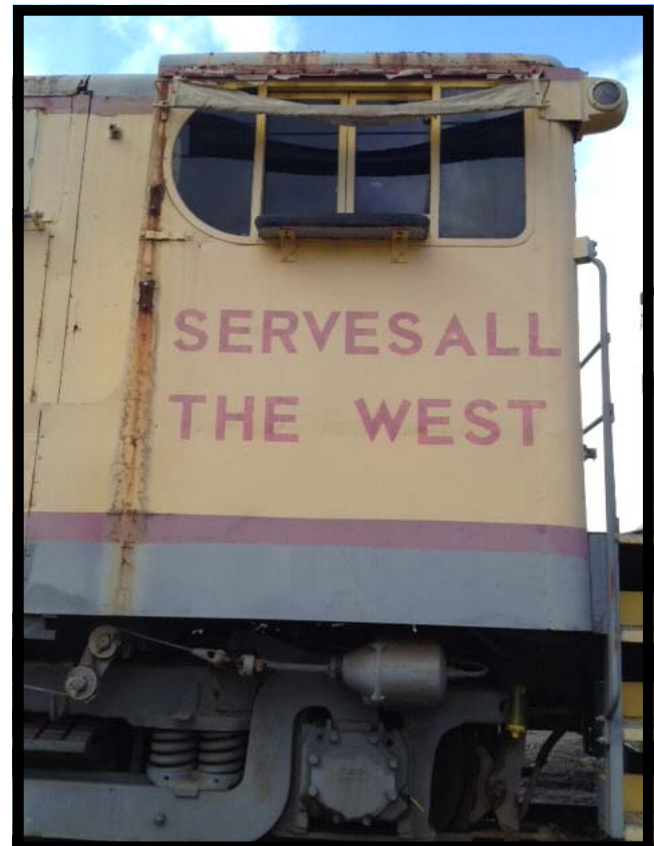
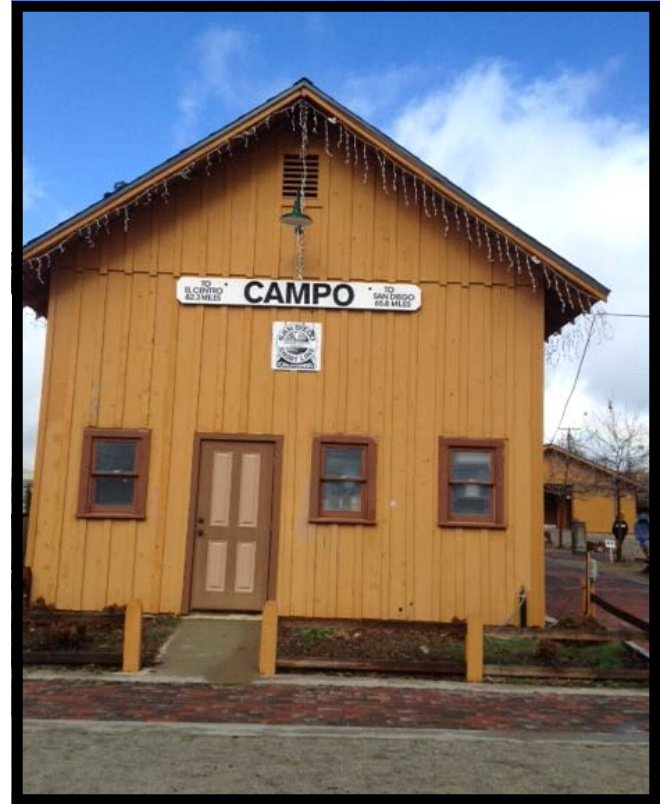








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For sale: 1980 Nissan 280ZX Black/Gold 10th Anniversary Edition 5-speed; 78,000 miles; always garaged; interior in good shape; exterior has some minor dings, but good for its age and miles; passed smog first try last time. Needs speedo and a/c repaired. **\$3,900** Call (760) 747-6483



This article is a contribution from our friend and sponsor Jerry Kubitsky from Summit transmissions one of his many hats Jerry is also the Chair , Public Relations Committee for Automotive Service

The use of the internet has been, and will continue to be a fantastic tool for those seeking information and getting some really great deals. However, as consumers struggle to make ends meet, sometimes quick advice or cheap prices trumps taking the time to do the proper research or seeking professional advice from qualified automotive experts. The end results cost the consumers more money, rather than providing the savings they hope to obtain.

Recently a major on-line auto parts distributor was fined by the California Air Resources Board \$233,000 for selling Catalytic converters that was not approved for installation in California. ARB investigators documented the sales of 932 illegal catalytic converters. We do not know if this company also sold any other substandard parts. Failure of substandard parts can lead to excessive emissions, which can compromise the public health and additional cost to the consumer if they are unable to meet emission standards.

ASCCA has also become aware of several on-line sites that offer automotive advice and low price parts to consumers. We've found many of these sights offer incorrect advice and convince the consumer to purchase parts from the company on-line. Then they recommend the consumer simply take their own part to any local garage for installation, enticing the consumer with how much money will be saved by buying the parts from the company. However we have heard many complaints against some of these companies, starting with selling incorrect parts and refusing to exchange the part for the correct one. Sometimes transactions can take weeks, with the consumer unable to use their vehicle. Consumers have also found they were either unable to get a local shop to install the part, due to liability, or were charge substantially higher labor rates with no warranty against failure. The end result is the consumer is either stuck with unusable parts, installing the part themselves, or recognizing no real savings due to higher labor cost. And if the part does fail, they have no real recourse, as they would when dealing with a ARD license shop selling approved quality parts.

ASCCA members and authorized repair shops are committed to providing the consumer with the best quality parts, quality service and backed by warranties that assure the consumer is getting the best value for their hard earn money. Consumers should always look for the ASCCA logo as their first step in finding a quality shop they can trust.

Below is the full article.

U.S. Auto Parts pays \$233,000 for air quality infractions

Company sold illegal catalytic converters

SACRAMENTO - The California Air Resources Board penalized U.S. Auto Parts \$233,000 for selling illegal catalytic converters for use on passenger vehicles.

ARB investigators documented the sales of 932 illegal catalytic converters by the company, which is based in Carson, California.

"Catalytic converters are integral to reducing smog-forming emissions from motor vehicles," said ARB Enforcement Chief James Ryden. "When the equipment doesn't comply with California standards, the health of the public is compromised."

Aftermarket catalytic converters for on- and off-road vehicles must be approved by ARB to be advertised, sold, offered for sale or installed in California.

Faulty catalytic converters may result in vehicles failing smog checks, incurring expensive repairs for customers, and jeopardizing vehicle registration with the Department of Motor Vehicles. Enforcement of these regulations not only protects the environment and public health, but also protects against unfair business practices.

The settlement will go to the California Air Pollution Control Fund to support projects and research to improve the state's air quality.

California's air quality measures are in place to safeguard public health. Excess automobile emissions can lead to smog, which in turn can cause shortness of breath, headaches, birth defects, cancer or damage to internal organs.

ARB's mission is to promote and protect public health, welfare, and ecological resources through effective reduction of air pollutants while recognizing and considering effects on the economy. The ARB oversees all air pollution control efforts in California to attain and maintain health based air quality standards.

FROM THE WEB

RACER

Thursday, February 02, 2012

Nissan GT-Rs for World Challenge

February 01, 2012



CRP Racing announced that it will campaign a pair of Hawk Performance-backed Nissan GT-Rs in this year's SCCA Pirelli World Challenge, in partnership with Nissan North America.

"Nissan is looking forward to partnering with CRP Racing to campaign the Nissan GT-Rs in the 2012 Pirelli World Challenge GT class," said Ron Stukenberg, Senior Mgr., Motorsports Marketing Communications at Nissan. "Both CRP Racing and the Nissan GT-R have a long history of winning races and we anticipate that success will carry over to the Pirelli World Challenge series."

Nicholas Short, owner of CRP Racing, added. "We're very happy with this new collaboration between CRP Racing and Nissan North America to develop the Nissan GT-Rs into a race-winning package. We now have two great partners in the Hawk Performance Group and Nissan, which will allow CRP Racing to show its true potential as a car builder and a race team."

The Nissan GT-Rs are currently being built at CRP's Harrisburg, NC, shop. Drivers for the program were not announced.

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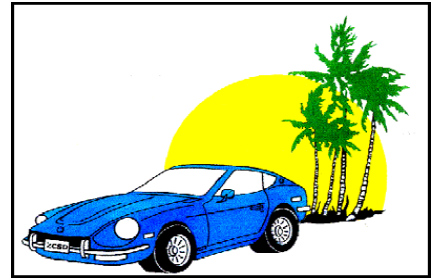
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One Year Membership \$36.00 _____

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

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Member

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