

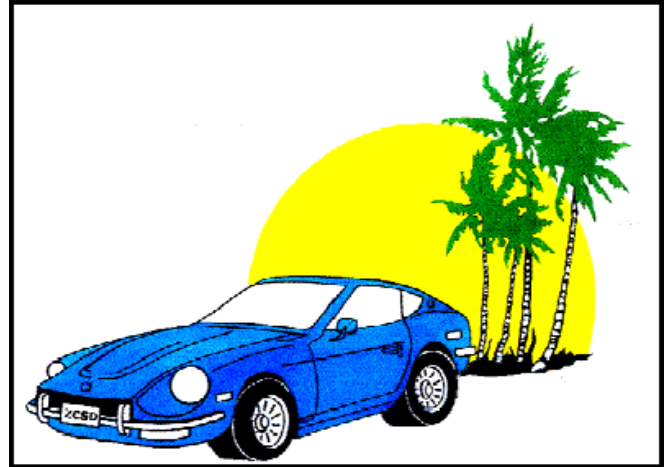
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Sayz the Prez

We just finished April, another good month for our Z Club. The General Meeting was real entertainment with two speakers. The first was Mike Dunn, an automotive photographer who displayed pictures he had created and explained how he did the artwork. Next was our own Rich Scharf, who showed his car at the La Jolla Concurs (car show) and took first place with his first generation 240Z. We had a great drive up to Mount Palomar with 14 cars, and on to Julian for lunch and apple pie. And we finished the month with the car show in the City of Orange sponsored by Motor Sport.

May is lined up to be a another great month of activities with another speaker for the general meeting, and our annual picnic. This is your club. Come out and enjoy the fun of driving you Z car and being with Z



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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ZCSD EVENTS

2012

May 6th	ZCSD's Annual Picnic and Peoples Choice Car Show at Santee Lakes-Sheri Arnoth, organizer.
June 10th	ZCSD Mountain Cruz to Idyllwild ,Lunch at Paradise Café-Clif , organizer.
July 21st	ZCSD's Annual Drive-in Movie Night, Santee –Wally, organizer
August 12th	ZCSD's Olympic Gimmick Cruz and Lunch-Patty , organizer
September TBA	Japanese Classic Car Show at Queen Mary in Long Beach
September TBA	Coronado Speed Festival– Mic , organizer
September 18th	ZCSD's Caravan to Phoenix-Clif , organizer
September 18th To the 22nd	ZCCA National Convention in Phoenix, AZ—Desert Z, organizer
October 7th	ZCSD's Oktoberfest and Beer and Tasting –Rob, organizer
November 11th	ZCSD's Winery Cruz—Sheri , organizer
December 8th	ZCSD's Annual Holiday Party-Sheri, organizer

ZCSD Annual Picnic and Show n' Shine

Join us for our annual ZCSD picnic on Sunday, May 6th at Santee Lakes, located at 9310 Fanita Parkway, Santee 92071.

We will gather at 10:00 am at site J, located next to the park's office. This is a perfect place for the whole family with lots of things to enjoy, so bring the kids!

The club will provide burgers and dogs with all the fixings, as well as chips and bottled water. Please bring a side dish to share. The club will also be providing a celebration cake, so avoid bringing dessert items.

Again this year we will be having a Show 'n Shine, with several fun categories, so bring your favorite Z and join the competition!

There is a park day use charge of \$5 per car. For more park information visit the lakes on the web at <http://www.santeelakes.com>

So put on your club gear and join the fun with the most active Z Club in southern California!

PATTY'S REPORT



Prez Wally Cook opened the General Meeting, welcoming everyone. After everyone introduced themselves and said what kind of Z they have, David Gonzalez introduced the speakers; Mike Dunn with his gorgeous portraits of fantastic automobiles and Rich Scharf and his pictures and video from the La Jolla Concourse. They kept us enthralled and inspired to get our cars up to snuff. Then the officers gave their reports; and we talked about upcoming events.

The Board Meeting held April 17th at Coco's in El Cajon was well attended; we discussed merchandize for the Club Store – the polo shirts are in! We finalized plans for the May Picnic and the June Idyllwild drive. The next board meeting (open to all members) will be Tuesday, May 15th at 7:00 PM, Coco's Family Restaurant (1025 Fletcher Pkwy, El Cajon), any member can attend.

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Which Z car is the most popular in ZCSD?

Z CAR	MODEL
19	240Z
3	260Z
13	280Z
13	280ZX
5	300ZX-Z31
7	300ZX-Z32
11	350Z-Z33
6	370-Z34

**MAY BIRTHDAYS
Happy Birthday!**

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Pat	Connolly	05/04
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Bill	Pickelsimer	05/06
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Mike	Grassi	05/20
Mark	Stockwell	05/23
Jim	Pelling	05/27
Devin	Ploeger	05/27
Deborah	Clark	05/29
Johnnie	Gable	05/30
Pat	Miller	05/31
Linda	Yancey	05/31

We want to welcome our newest members, Jim Canyon and his son Brian. They live in San Diego, and are doing a total, ground up, restoration of a 1973 240Z. They hope the club can share knowledge, resources and inspiration. Thanks to everyone who has responded with their 2012 dues. There is still time to re-up. Our total member count is 112 at this time.

Clif Yaussi is planning the club event for June 10th. It will be a drive to Idyllwild, Ca. A fun 100 mile run up to the pine scented mountain town above Hemet, Ca. We will eat lunch at the Paradise Cafe at the intersection of Hwy 74 and 371. Plan on a 9:00 am meet at I-15 and Mercy Rd. More info at the June meeting and newsletter.

Short note from your editor And Vice-Prez



Want to begin this month newsletter congratulating our web master , Rich Scharf for winning First Place Award at the La Jolla Concourse. Glad to see that Z cars are getting the recognition and exposure they deserve. The general meeting was a full house. Our guest speaker was Mr. Michel Dunn a professional photographer who specializes in car photography. He presented various photos and explained different techniques used to create master pieces with your cars photos. Palomar Mountain Run couldn't be any better. Great fast cars, great friends old and new as far away as Long Beach, LA and Fullerton. Nick from 101 Performance and his wife Liz came along in they RB 280Z, we had Tony with his corvette engine Zcar, Joel washed and brought his 1990 Skyline that he got while station in Japan serving with the NAVY. Scott had his triple carburetor ,Juan had his 2+2 280Z RB power and the rarest of all the cars that show up was Armando's "Alcione SVX Subaru". Alan had his yellow 350Z. Also joining the group a supercharge Miata and a very sup-up Mazda RX-7. May is going to be awesome ,great speaker lined up , ZCSD annual BBQ and car show so don't miss it. Come and enjoy with the rest of us. Z you there...

April Guest Speaker



Mike Dunn has combined his life-long love of the automobile, whether it be a custom, classic, hotrod, rat rod, antique or classic track car, with his over 18 years of professional photographic and image making to create these unique custom automotive portraits.

Mike creates custom automotive portraits from original photographs he takes on-site or high resolution files provided by the client. Each project is individually estimated based on design requirements, print size and finish. Mike works closely with each client to ensure complete satisfaction with the finished product.

Print sizes are available from 8" x 10" to wall size, framed or un-framed images. All prints are produced using LightJet print technology, combining the best of classic photographic and modern digital print making for an extremely high quality finished product.

Custom designed automotive theme art and graphics are also available for your automotive theme business or showroom.

Japanese Classics BBQ

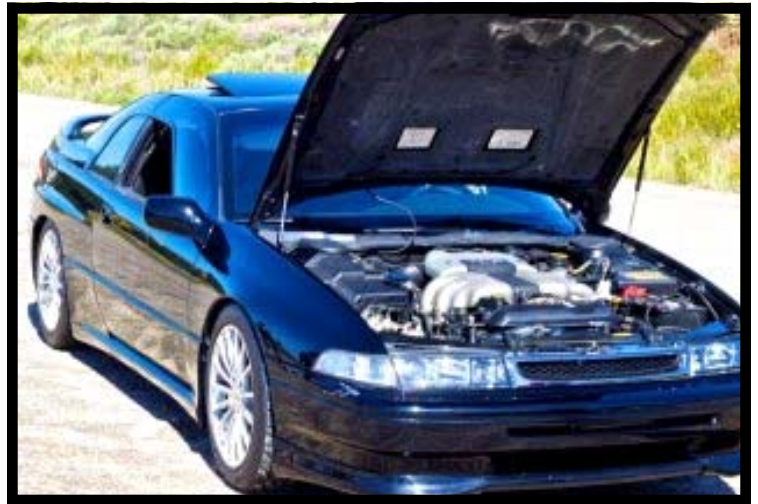
All Japanese BBQ on March 31, 2012 in Fullerton, Ca . It was a total success great turn out and food with awesome Zcar enthusiast. It took place at the Hillcrest Park ,pretty little place with good parking nice views and facilities. Was organized by our friend Nathan Benson. Lenny and I rolled on my 260Z and had a blast driving there and back. Some of the guys we met at the picnic found their way to the Palomar Mountain Run. Thanks Nathan, Scott, Juan for joining us at the Palomar Mountain Run. Hope this awesome picnic and car meet becomes an annual event .On a foot note: Haile please !!! stop blowing Z engines and thanks for the caviar.



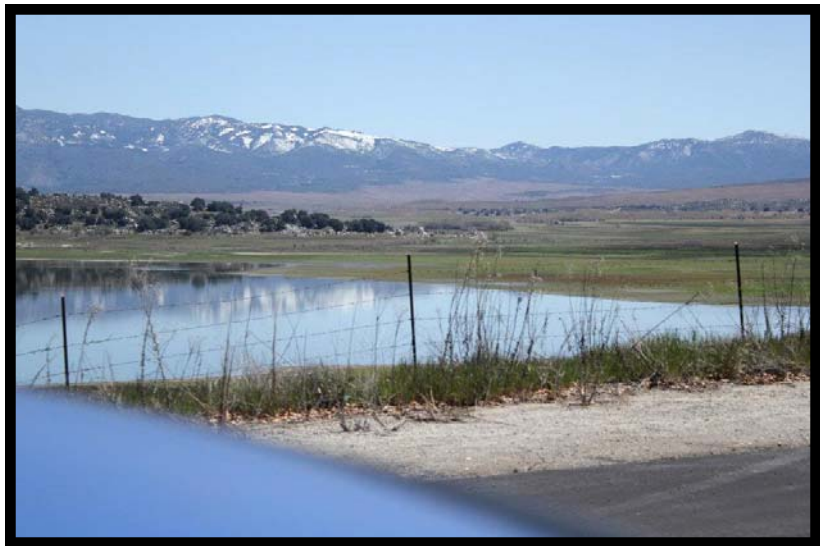




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LA JOLLA CONCOURS

THE JEWEL & THE CONCOURS

It is fitting that when translated into Spanish, La Jolla means “the jewel”, because La Jolla truly is the diamond of the West Coast. La Jolla has become the embodiment of luxury, class and style in San Diego. The chic allure of La Jolla’s avenues has drawn the finest automobiles to this coastal town for the eighth consecutive year at the La Jolla Concours d’Elegance.

The La Jolla Concours d’Elegance features various types of fine automobile gems. Past years have showcased horseless carriages, Italian marques, British marques, woodies, 50s classics, American sports cars (with a salute to GM on their 100th anniversary), and the automobiles of Carroll Shelby. Spectators from all over the nation come to the breathtaking shores of La Jolla to view their favorite classics. This year, the La Jolla Concours d’Elegance is back with Italian automobiles to illustrate again that if diamonds are forever, then cars are timeless.



Congratulations Rich !!!

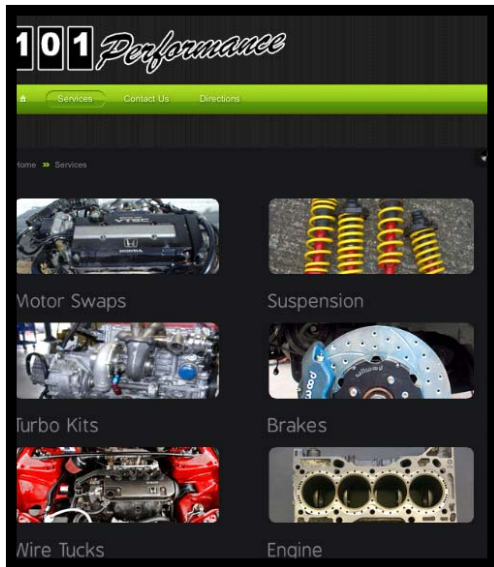


Our friend Rich Scharf ,ZCSD member and Web Master won the prestigious FIRST IN CLASS AWARD with his pristine first generation 240Z under the preservation category.

May's Guest Speaker

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News from the Web

JAPANESE carmaker Nissan is launching a \$15 million attack on Australia's heartland brands, Ford and Holden.

The aggressive importer is planning to hit the locals where it hurts: at Bathurst and in the V8 Supercars championship series from 2013.

As the two local brands fight for the survival of their car making operations, they must now face the first full-scale import attack in motorsport in 20 years and the potential opening of the floodgates to other brands including Chrysler, Hyundai, Kia, Toyota and even Jaguar.

The catalyst for the change is new rules for 2013 that break down the barrier to brands other than Ford and Holden, who have had the V8 Supercars field to themselves since 1993.

Nissan's attack renews the commitment by a company with proven motorsport success in Australia following two Bathurst 1000 wins in 1991 and 1992 and three touring car titles in 1990, 1991 and 1992.

"This is the biggest change in Australian motorsport in 20 years. It's huge," Mark Skaife, the architect of the Car of the Future regulations that have sparked Nissan's involvement, said.

"My promise was there would be one extra brand in 2013 and probably two or three in 2014. We're on track for that."

Ironically, Skaife was the Nissan spearhead when the company was last involved before switching to Holden, and he now sees a huge change in the motoring landscape.

"This is the spark to re-energize the local industry. And they do need a big kick. This is the sport of the motor industry, and it makes absolute sense to be talking about winning Bathurst and not the AFL grand final," he said.

Nissan's commitment will tie the company to Kelly Racing for a four-car assault using Nissan engines and the body of a car yet to reach showrooms. It is also planning a massive promotional campaign.

The factory team's frontline drivers are Rick and Todd Kelly, who have championship and Bathurst wins as drivers, and they also have one of the best-funded programs in V8 Supercars thanks to sponsorship from Jack Daniel's and their business manager - and former Holden Special Vehicles boss - John Crennan. The official announcement of Nissan's plan was made in Melbourne at 11am today and Skaife is upbeat about the involvement, while hosing down fears of the sort of domination that came when the company raced its 'Godzilla' Skyline GT-R.

"This needs to be looked at both on and off-track. On-track, V8 Supercars has told Nissan that we will make the same commitment to them as Ford and Holden. We'll build their prototype and get it homologated and ready for racing under the Car of the Future regulations," he said.

"But they cannot dominate like they did with the Godzilla car. We want them to be competitive and challenging to win races, but they cannot dominate.

"Off-track, Nissan will want to heavily activate their involvement in motorsport. That will make the pie bigger with the spending in and around our business, and I think it will also re-energize the Ford and Holden programs.

When they see what Nissan is doing they will have to be more aggressive and more like they were in the past

More news from the Web

"(NAPA VALLEY, CA) - The National Auto Sport Association (NASA) is pleased to announce the creation of the new Spec Z series that will feature the Nissan 350Z®. The Spec Z class will include all trim levels of the popular 2003-2008 Nissan 350Z in a single class focused...

...on close competition, parity and cost containment that will showcase driving ability and car setup skills.

The NASA Spec Z class will offer a comprehensive contingency prize program that will reward both Regional and National Championship competitors. Nissan Motorsports will provide significant support for the series, and their contingency prize program provides cash rewards up to \$850 for the top 3 finishers at each regional competition weekend with only 3 starters being required for the program to take effect. Additionally, Nissan Motorsports will provide \$6,500 in cash support to the top Spec Z finishers at the 2012 NASA Championships.

The BFGoodrich R1 tire will be the control tire for the Spec Z class, and BFG has also created a generous contingency prize program for the series. More contingency prize programs for the Spec Z class are being finalized for the series and will be announced shortly.

"We are very excited about Spec Z," said Jeremy Croiset, NASA Director of Sponsorship. "We have been working closely with Nissan Motorsports on the creation of Spec Z, and it will be an excellent series for anyone looking to step into a spec vehicle that's fast and relatively inexpensive to build, maintain and race. With the fantastic contingency prize programs that are being provided for Spec Z, you'll be hard-pressed to find a more rewarding spec series to race in. We look forward to watching Spec Z grow and flourish in the coming years as more racers adopt this new formula."

Ron Stukenberg, Senior Manager, Motorsports Marketing Communications, Nissan North America agrees, and adds, "NASA has a proven track record of growing classes from the ground up, so we are excited to be working with NASA on the new Spec Z series. We have a number of competitors already expressing interest in the series, so the potential for this series is very strong indeed. With our Nissan Motorsports Competition Parts Program and comprehensive contingency prize programs, we are looking to make this a strong offering for those interested in stepping into a very competitive spec series racing the iconic Z car."

For complete details on the new series rules, please visit <http://www.nasaproring.com/rules>. For details on the newly announced contingency programs for the Spec Z series, please visit <http://www.nasaproring.com/contingency>."



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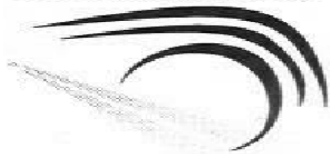
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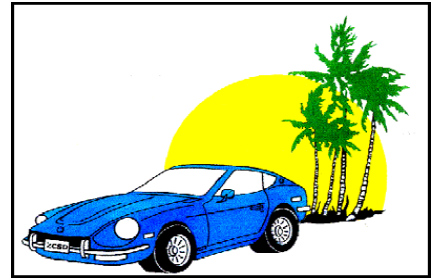


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