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### NEXT GENERAL MEETING IS JUNE 5th AT DENNY'S in the Clairemont Square Shopping Center (See Page 2)



### 21st ANNIVERSARY PICNIC

## **SEZ THE PREZ**



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### Sayz the Prez

May has been another great month for the members with a very good turn out of members (33) for the general meeting with a speaker from 101 Performance (Nicholas DeFillippis) who explained about how they can modify and enhance your cars performance. We had a second speaker, Jack Esparza from Day old Customs who explained how they make custom carbon fiber car parts that are light weight and strong.

Then we had a good number of members come out to the 21st annual picnic and car show. The food was really good and Sheri did a great job of organizing, and Lenny cooked up a storm of good food.

June will be another great month with a General Meeting on the 5th with speaker, and then our Mountain Cruz on the 10th. This is your club. If you are not having fun, you need to come on out and join your fellow Z car enthusiasts. Or stay home and



### 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:

Z Club of San Diego P.O Box 710886 Santee, CA 92072 Email: zcsd@zcsd.org Website: www.zcsd.org 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

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 September 18th	Japanese Classic Car Show at Queen Mary in Long Beach Coronado Speed Festival– Mic , organizer ZCSD's Caravan to Phoenix-Clif , organizer 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						

### JUNE DRIVE - TO IDYLLWILD AND LUNCH AT PARADISE CAFE

When: June 10th - Sunday

**Meet:** From the South - 9:15 AM at the Chevron Gas station on the West side of I-15 at Mercy Rd (Scripps Poway Pkwy). Depart 9:30 AM.

From the North - 10:15 AM at the Shell Gas Station (Temecula) on the West side of I-15 at Hwy 79 Exit. Depart 10:30 AM.

**Route:** Leave Chevron Gas Station and head North on I-15, Exit at Deer Springs Rd, take Champagne Blvd (old Hwy 395) North to Temecula and the Shell Gas Station. Meet up with the Northern group and leave at 10:30

Continue North on I-15 and Exit Winchester Rd and head North on Hwy 79 to Hemet. Take Hwy 74 to Mountain Center, then Hwy 243 to Idyllwild.

R & R and shop in Idyllwild until 1:00 PM, then depart down Hwy 74 (Palms) to Pines Hwy at the junction of Hwy 371 (about 15 miles). Stop for lunch at the Paradise Cafe. After lunch, depart West down Hwy 371 to Hwy 79.

Hwy 79 to Temecula, and I-15 home. Total distance about 200 miles.

This will be a fun drive and a chance to meet fellow Z car enthusiasts, and drive your car on a beautiful day.

## PATTY'S REPORT



Prez Wally Cook opened the General Meeting, welcoming everyone. After everyone introduced themselves and said how long they have owned the Z they have, David Gonzalez introduced the speakers; Nicholas DeFilippis from 101 Performance, telling us about the services they offer, and Jack Esparza from Day Old Customs, with a show and tell about custom carbon fiber work he does. Then the officers gave their reports; and we talked about upcoming events.

The Board Meeting held May 15th at Coco's in El Cajon was well attended; we discussed speakers for future meetings, merchandize for the Club Store (smaller sizes) and upcoming events. The next board meeting (open to all members) will be Tuesday, June 19th at 7:00 PM, Coco's Family Restaurant (1025 Fletcher Pkwy, El Cajon), all members are invited to attend.



CLEARANCE SALE ALL REMAINING ITEMS IN STOCK See Michele for sales on the Remaining stock

## **ZCSD STORE**



NEW CLUB SHIRTS ARE IN !!! \$ 25.00

## **CLIF'S MEMBERSHIP**



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

Z CAR	MODEL
20	240Z
3	260Z
13	280Z
13	280ZX
5	300ZX-Z31
7	300ZX-Z32
12	350Z-Z33
6	370-Z34

### MAY BIRTHDAYS Happy Birthday!

Walt	Bradfield	06/02
Dan	Williams	06/03
Dee Valle	Day	06/06
Jay	Jaime	06/07
Glenn	Zuiderweg	06/10
Michele	Ruppert	06/10
Sharon	Anderberg	06/14
Joan	Wellwood	06/16
Tom	Branch	06/21
John	Wellwood	06/28

Total members that have renewed for 2012, 115. Thanks for making our club the strongest and largest in Southern California.

Our newest member is Dave Lopez, who lives in Carlsbad, and drives an '05 Silver 350Z.

Also, we want to welcome back Miguel Santos, member 236, who has renewed for this year and his 1972 240 Z. Great to see him again at the club's picnic in Santee. Another guest at the picnic was former member Mike Savin and his wife Tina, driving a 1954 Morgan

### Short note from your editor And Vice-Prez



Welcome to the June edition of ZCSD Newsletter. May was an exciting month with the MSA Show and our Club 21st Anniversary Picnic. The general meeting was a full house and we had two great speakers, Nick from 101 Performance and Jack from Day Old Custom both of them drives Z cars. The picnic was a total success thanks to the organizational skills of Sheri which also hand made the trophies for the car show and got the celebration cake. Lenny took charge of the grill and fed us all. This month we have the Idyllwild run and lunch at Paradise Café. There is also a Riverside tribute to Datsun-Nissan Racing on June 21-22 honoring John Morton. That should be a great event to attend.

Hope to see you at the General Meeting enjoy some dinner and listen to our guest speaker, Mr. Prentice St. Claire from Detail in Progress, INC. He is a consultant for the automotive reconditioning industry.

## May Guest Speakers





Nick

Nick Defilippis addressing ZCSD members. Nick customized Z for better performance on track or street, from exhaust, suspension, after market ECU's. formerly from 101 Performance, since then Nick has venture solo you can reach him at (760) 884-9441. We wish you the best in your new business enterprise. Jack Esparza from Day Old Customs, Jack specializes in custom carbon fiber pieces and stickers. He can be reach at (619)694-8336 Jack

## **Anniversary Picnic**



Rob Calderhead 280Z



Michael Montag 350Z



Hulk Machine 260Z

ZCSD Car Show Trophy

Clif Yaussi 300ZX











Devin Ploeger 370Z



Wally Cook 240Z



Michael Ryan 240Z



Clif's photo shop







Connie, Michele , Chuck and Rob



Dave and Ginger





Beautiful weather, people and Z cars



Terri and Marsha



Santee Lakes



Damaris, Marisela, Debbie and Pat



Michael n Marcy Montag, Michael Ryan, Chuck Golden, Marsha, Clif, Ginger



Larry, Michael, Lenny





Lisa and Joshua

ZCSD Auto Show: Special Thanks to Sheri Arnoth for putting together an awesome celebration, she organized the event, got the cake, hand made the trophies and kept Lenny at the grill.



Wally-Best Paint



**David-Best Interiors** 



Devin-Best engine Bay



Terri- Best Wheels





## Motorsports Auto Show

Back To The Street!!!, The return of the Motorsport Auto Z-Car West Coast Nationals took place during April 27-29, 2012. It was a total success over 300 Z cars, from 240Z to 370Z. Almost a mile of Z CARS parked on both sides of the street. There were vendors and sponsors, food and music. On Friday, April 27th, 2012 started with the kick off party at their facilities. Saturday, April 28th. was the Z Garage Sale were discounted items were sold. Then the Dyno Run competition were our friends Scott Burkhardt and Jonathan Ortiz got first and second place respectively on the 240Z category .There was a detail Area for you to clean your Z and at night there was the Z Banquet at Café Tustin. Sunday Started with the Z Car Exhibition were about 300 Z Cars participated. People drove as far from Washington State, Arizona and Oregon. ZCSD was represented in the car exhibition by Rich Scharf and my self. I'm glad to announce that Rich got Second place in the 240Z stock category and I got First place in the 260Z modified category. Over all this was a fantastic event full of beautiful Z Cars and Z Cars enthusiast. So get ready for next year and don't miss this great Auto Show you will not regretted.



ZCSD members met at Convoy Ave. and HW 52



vendors



Dave Irwin n wife, Leah drove all the way from Marysville, WA He builds 240Z electrical upgrades



From Arizona hand build metal body kit with Dodge HEMI engine

#### Rich's beautiful Z cars



My Hulk Machine







Rich and I at the winners circle with MSA Founder, Greg Smith



# May's General Meeting

























# News from the Web

Carroll Shelby, the colorful American racing driver and engineer who shared the winning Aston Martin with Britain's Roy Salvadori in the 1959 Le Mans 24-hour sports car classic, and who later gave his name to the iconic Shelby American Cobra high-performance sports car, has died at the age of 89.

The genial Texan's trademark was his distinctive striped, bib-style racing overalls, which gave him a swashbuckling, Casey Jones-like appearance throughout a distinguished racing career that included eight world championship grand prix outings driving a private Maserati 250F, and latterly for the ill-starred Aston Martin Formula One team.

Born in Leesburg, Texas, the son of the town's postmaster, Shelby was a child when his family moved to Dallas. Despite being diagnosed with a slight heart murmur at the age of 10, he served as a flight instructor with the US air force during the second world war. He went on to work in the truck business, before turning his hand to chicken farming, unsuccessfully, in the late 1940s



Meanwhile, Shelby had started to dabble in sports car racing, and by 1952 had gained a degree of recognition after some promising outings at the wheel of a Jaguar XK120, before switching to a fearsome, Cadillac-powered Allard the following year. In 1954, spurred on by the offer of a cup from Kleenex heir Jim Kimberly – one of the great US racing philanthropists of the time – for the best performance by an amateur driver, Shelby entered the Allard in the Buenos Aires 1,000km sports car race, co-driving with airline pilot Dale Duncan, who was a useful contact when it came to air freighting the car to Argentina.

This first competitive appearance outside the US for Shelby was memorable: he and Duncan finished 10th, despite a carburetor fire during a pit stop, which had to be extinguished by the simple expedient of Duncan urinating on the engine. More significantly, Aston Martin driver Peter Collins introduced Shelby to his team manager, John Wyer, who had been impressed with the Texan's handling of the wild and woolly Allard. Shelby now had his foot in the door at Aston Martin, which would lead to a place in their works team – and that memorable victory at Le Mans five years later. Like most of those who drove for Aston Martin in the 1950s, Shelby loved the team's ambience, and he never seriously considered any of the fleeting, and possibly empty, offers to join Maserati or Ferrari. His Texan penchant for straight talking occasionally made David Brown, the Aston Martin company's owner, wince: telling the boss one of his cars handled like "10 pounds of shit in a five-pound bag" was pretty strong stuff from a hired hand in the mid-1950s. Shelby recalled Brown's reaction: "He got pissed off at that, turned round and walked away."

Along with Salvadori, Shelby also took up the F1 Aston Martin DBR4s during the 1959 season. But these front-engined museum pieces were obsolete even before they raced for the first time, a new generation of mid-engined cars from Cooper dashing their hopes of success. At the start of 1960, Shelby suffered bad chest pains that alerted him to a now-serious heart condition. Despite attempting to control the situation by driving with nitroglycerin pills under his tongue, Shelby decided to retire from racing at the end of that year.

One of Shelby's dreams had been the manufacture of a high-performance American sports car, so when he heard in 1961 that supplies of Bristol engines had dried up for the British AC company, he brokered a deal that saw AC switch to using a 4.7-litre Ford V8, and the famous Cobra was born. Ford backed Shelby's efforts on the race track, and the Shelby Cobras were duly homologated as GT cars by the start of the 1963 international sports car racing calendar, when they were pitched against the Ferrari GTOs. In 1965, the Shelby Cobras won the FIA GT championship, wresting this prestigious title from their Ferrari opposition.

By 1970, Shelby was diversifying into other businesses outside motor racing, but in 1982 Chrysler boss Lee Iaccoca, an old friend, offered him the opportunity to serve as a performance consultant to the automotive giant, bringing him back into the motor racing orbit.

He is survived by his wife, Cleo, his two sons, Patrick and Michael, his daughter, Sharon, and his sister, Anne.

• Carroll Shelby, racing driver and engineer, born 11 January 1923; died 10 May 2012.



Carroll, ZCSD wishes you "Pedal to the metal" on the Highway to Heaven



# Datsun Z C-ART

















# Club Nissan Mexico

president: Cesar Morales



## More news from the Web

## NISSAN motorsports

http://www.nissanusa.com/Performance

facebook.com/NissanPerformance

### Next on the Schedule...

TORC Series

Buchanan, MI

RedBud MX Park

World Challenge

Belle Island

Detroit, MI

TV: SPEED – times TBA

TV: 7/7 - 5:00 p.m. on

NBC Sports Network

and www.torcseries.com



May

Jun

1-3

26-27

Lucas Oil Off Road Racing Speedworld Off Road Park Surprise, AZ TV: 5/20 - 8:00 p.m. on CBS 5/20 - 6:00 p.m. on SPEED



hallenge.com



#### www.alms.com



Jun 8-10

Grand-Am Mid-Ohio Motorsports Park Lexington, OH TV: 6/17 - 12:00 p.m. ET on SPEED



The Pirelli World Challenge visited Miller Motorsports Park in Tooele, Utah, the weekend of April 27th where Nissan 370Z driver Ric Bushey finished 11th in the GTS class, moving up five positions on the track during the race. He then followed that up with a 12<sup>th</sup>-in-class finish on May 10th at the famed Laguna Seca Raceway in Monterey, California, while fellow 370Z driver, Greg Shaffer finished 15th in the

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The GT class drivers had mechanical issues in Utah, but in Monterey, Jason Daskalos finished 12th in class in his Nissan GT-R.

Three team drivers had the task of piloting the Nissan-powered Morgan LMP2 (Le Mans Prototype 2) racecar at the American Le Mans event at Laguna Seca raceway on May 11th Martin Plowman, David Heinimeier Hansson and Antonio Pizzonia. The trio finished an impressive 2<sup>nd</sup> in class (the second time in two races) and 20<sup>th</sup> overall in the 6-hour race, after starting dead last due to a mechanical failure before gualifying.

While there were no Nissan race teams competing at the Grand Am event at Miami-Homestead, Nissan had plenty of on-track and television presence with the Nissan GT-R Safety Car pacing the field.

#### Activation is Key

Activation through the NISSAN Motorsports mobile display will facilitate product promotion, lead generation and engaging current owners. Next stop: 6/22-24: Road America (WI)

6/29-30: Watkins Glen (NY

### The 2012 Season :: May Results



same class.

## Mike SKEEN Jason DASKALOS

MAY 9, 2012 - What began ten years ago as a way to help racers source engineering services and parts for Central and South American sports car racing has now evolved into a successful full race prep and fabrication shop based in Charlotte, North Carolina. Nicholas Short is the founder, owner and crew chief of CRP (Competition Race Products) and has built the first two Nissan GT-Rs running in the Pirelli World Challenge GT Series for the 2012 season. The racecars are Nissan GT-R chassis with stock bodies, but everything else is custombuilt, prepared, developed and maintained at CRP.

There was a short timeframe for building the two racecars for this season, which means that the majority of testing and development has happened as the season progresses. Short feels confident in the progress they made not only during the race at Miller Motorsports Park, but also in the day of testing that followed.

"The next round of upgrades

"If we find something that helps other Nissan teams, that's great." -Nicholas Short

Competition Race Products NISSAN GT-R



### Pirelli World Challenge NISSAN GT-R

should put us in the top ten," explained Short. "We found an add-on for Miller [Motorsports Park] that really worked. I'm definitely hoping to have a very respectable finish at Laguna Seca." The World Challenge GT Series visits the famed track in Monterey, California the weekend of May 10-13 for the fifth of its eight-event schedule, and will air on NBC Sports Network on Sunday, May 27 at 11:00 p.m. EDT.

Short has two drivers that have the skills to put the cars on top of the box. Mike Skeen drives the #2 Hawk Performance Nissan GT-R, bringing with him a record of three wins and six top-five finishes in the 2011 World Challenge driver's championship. "I'd seen him before in other equipment, and he was extremely fast," commented Short. "Our first race with him was a win at Mid-Ohio."

Jason Daskalos is the pilot of the #12 Hawk Performance Nissan GT-R and also has a stellar record for his short tenancy in the series. He has two wins and a total of five podiums, and just like Skeen, he has the confidence of the team owner. "I'd raced against him in World Challenge, and he's always been fast," explained Short. "I think the driver pairing we have chosen, along with the sponsorship of Hawk Performance Products and the new partnership with Nissan, provides CRP Racing with a winning combination."

CRP isn't just about making its own cars quick. Short believes that all of the Nissan teams should strive to make the entire program bigger and better. "If we find something that helps other Nissan teams, that's great." It's that kind of philosophy that will get these cars to the top spot of the podium sooner rather than later. The team and the series can be followed online via the team's website:

www.competitionraceparts.com as well as the series' website at www.world-challenge.com.





### Nissan Teams Travel to Historical Venues in June

In the month of June, Nissan race teams will travel with the Grand-Am Continental Tire Sports Car Challenge series to three of the most valued, historical race venues in the United States, combining for over 170 years of racing history: Mid Ohio in Lexington, Ohio; Road America in Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin; and Watkins Glen in Watkins Glen, New York.



#### Please show your valid Z Club of San Diego membership card to receive your Z Club discount.





## Z-Club of San Diego Membership Form

Please fill out the requested information below and return this form with a check payable to:





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

\$36.00

One Year Membership

First Name		Last Name				Nick	(Name		Birth Date
Address				Member Type		SO Name			SO Birth Date
City	State		Zip Code		E- Mail Address		h	lom	e Phone
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### Waiver and Release from Liability

This form limits Z Club of San Diego's liability. Please 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 that 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.