



# Z NEWS

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## The Official Newsletter of Z Owners of Northern California

### ZONC ANNUAL AWARDS

#### BANQUET & TOY DRIVE

**Saturday, December 7, 2013**

Cache Creek Casino

Brooks, Ca

*See flyer on page 4*



*ZONC's Annual Picnic and Birthday Party*

### Board & Member Meeting

**November 3, 2013**

**Sunday at 11:00 AM**

### STRAW HAT PIZZA

251 Pittman rd.  
Fairfield, Cal

**RSVP to [anndevor@gmail.com](mailto:anndevor@gmail.com) by 10-30-13**

*See flyer on page 3*

### AGENDA ITEMS (include)

- Annual Banquet Program
- 2014 ZCCA Convention
- Long Range Plans
- Annual Car Show

### SAVE the date for 2014!

#### 27<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL Z CAR CONVENTION

**AUGUST 5<sup>th</sup> TO 9<sup>th</sup>**

hosted by the  
**Z CLUB OF SAN DIEGO**

[http://www.zcsd.org/ZCON\\_2014.html](http://www.zcsd.org/ZCON_2014.html)

Convention Web Site  
should open in January

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## PRESIDENT'S Updates

With all the great weather I hope you've had a chance to take your favorite **ZONC** car out to enjoy the lovely fall colors. And, I hope you'll head to the STRAW HAT PIZZA on Pittman Rd. in Fairfield for **our meeting** on **Sunday, November 3, 2013** from 11-2pm. Please see the flyer, made by our Secretary, Ann Devor, on page 3 of this issue and on the **ZONC.org** website.

Our agenda will include starting a discussion about **ZONC's** long range goals, finalizing plans for our **ANNUAL BANQUET AND TOY FOR TOTS** drive, planning for our annual car show, and starting the planning for **ZONC's** presence at the **2014 ZCON** in San Diego.

[http://www.zcsd.org/ZCON\\_2014.html](http://www.zcsd.org/ZCON_2014.html)

We're just a month away from our **ANNUAL BANQUET AND TOY FOR TOTS** drive. Please mark your calendars for a great time and plan to bring one or two new unwrapped toys for the **MARINE TOY DRIVE**. The banquet will be on **Saturday, December 7, 2013**, from 10:30-2:00pm. A great flyer, another Ann Devor creation, can be seen on the **ZONC.org** website, as well as on page 4 of this issue of the ZNEWS.

**ZONC** is still strong after 41 years, but, the need for more club events put on by our members is on-going. I realize that this sounds like very long range planning, but, truly, January 2014 is just around the corner; so, please start thinking about events you want to see on the 2014 **ZONC** calendar. Where do you want to go with your favorite **ZONC** car? Your club officers need to hear from you.

I do know that the **2014 ZCCA CONVENTION** in San Diego in August will be on our Calendar of events!

I hope that those of you who joined our VP of Admin, Rolf Johnson, on the Canepa run had a great time and remembered your cameras.

Again, I want to send a great big **THANK YOU** to our former 2012 **ZONC** VP, Peter Iozzia for the ongoing printing of our ZNews in color. Peter is providing such a

great service to **ZONC**, and saving us lots of money each month on the printing of the ZNews.

I also want to thank all of our members and especially our officers for working to make **ZONC** such a great club

It's also that time of year when next year's cars are being presented! The new Zs carry on the traditions of the Z cars. The 370Z Coupe and the 370Z Roadster look great for 2014. As does the GT-R. However, for style, I don't think that anything looks better than the original 240Z! Now I realize that 2013 technology is a big improvement over 1970 technology. But, my heart is with the 240Z! Rumor has it that the 2016 Z will be a 350 hp with a VQ V-6 powertrain, but might have a 4 cylinder option. Wonder if we'd get a sneak peak if we toured the Nissan Design America facility? I for one hope that the Design facility is an option for ZCON.

Keep checking at **ZONC.org** for updates and. . .

Enjoy the open road.

*~ Marci*

## Please Welcome New Members . . .

**COLIN PAPPAS**  
**JONATHAN LEBLANC**

**370Z**  
**370Z**

### Zs FOUND ON THE TRACK



September 2013



October 2013



September 2013



September 2013

Photos by Bob Jenkins

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***Z Owners of Northern California***



# **General Meeting**

***November 3, 2013, 11:00 a.m.***

**Straw Hat Pizza  
251 Pittman Rd.  
Fairfield, CA**

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## **Some Discussion Items**

**Holiday Banquet and Installation of Officers**

**Cache Creek Casino**

**December 7, 2013**

**ZCon 2014, San Diego, August 5 – 9**



# ZONC 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Awards Banquet and Installation of Officers

*Saturday, December 7, 2013*



*10:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.*



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*(located at the far end of the building from the entrance)*

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*Installation of Officers*

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## EAGLE ROCK TOUR

By Rolf Johnson

The 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> of October 2013 were days to remember for the folks attending the 5<sup>TH</sup> MEMORIAL NOSTALGIC DRAG RACE event at EAGLE FIELDS DRAG STRIP. With two whole days of racing, it truly was an event not to miss on either day.

EAGLE FIELD was built in 1942 as an ARMY AIR CORPS primary flight-training center; EAGLE FIELD is one of the last remaining WWII airfields in America.

Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, the EAGLE FIELD HOT ROD GATHERING featured an abundance of 100's drag racing cars for Flag-Start-Run-Whatcha-Brung-Drag-Racing; with so many cars you won't see race anywhere else.

Driving to Firebaugh, CA was in itself an adventure, as you traveled on both Hwys. 580 and 5 and then long country roads just to get there. Finally arriving at the airfield, you immediately got the sense that something special was about to happen there.

So many cars in line to get in with the hundreds already staged and ready to go. We stopped by the staging grounds as models were posing for pictures with nice racers. When they saw my little dwarfed Z, two smiled & next thing I knew, they were posing for me as well.



The opening run was with the JET CAR (which was loud and the rocket flames pounding out the tail section woke up your eyes) with the roar and clouds bellowing out as it inched to stage and then roaring itself down the track! Truly an awesome spectacle of power, flame, noise, smoke and speed to say the least. This truly made the drive down here well worth it. But then there were the other 100's of cars there, all to race as well.

Walking down the staging line, I was humbled as memories of those fast dragsters from my childhood memories all at once were alive again. CHEVYS, FORDS, WILLYS, even VWs were there to race.

As all of these cars would start up, you not only heard them but you would feel all of the thunderous power they had between these 4 wheels rumble through your body. You cannot get this close nor feel this pop-popping deep bass roar of power pounding out the noise and vibration against your little human body as I did walking along this long line of never ending dragsters not to be awed.

And then there's watching all of the races - way too many for this lone ZONC spectator to absorb. After taking over 390 photos, my neck, eyes, trigger finger and, most importantly, feet were all tired, and it was time to go home. I was in DRAGSTER HEAVEN and in BEAUTIFUL CARS overload. The following day, 6 Oct, there were a couple of ZONC members who showed up, or so I am told, I was home recuperating from Saturday's exciting journey to EAGLE FIELD DRAG STRIP. Most amazing was that it only cost me \$15.00!.. Not like SONOMA DRAGS where it costs you \$\$\$\$\$.





## 2013 Danville Concours D'Elegance

By Bill Roth

Every year, in the summer, the city of Danville hosts the CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE. This is a charity event where all proceeds go to PARKINSON's research.

Automobiles that are entered into the show have to be pre-approved by the concours committee before they can be entered. The automobiles chosen are to represent the most significant contribution to the Automobile world. Cars range from one of a kind exotics to production vehicles, from every brand, and from all parts of the world.

Also, it's an opportunity for spectators to see the latest offerings from manufacturers. This year was the public unveiling of the new JAGUAR F TYPE. There were over 150 entries to the show this year. Of special interest were Ferraris from the PACIFIC REGION FERRARI CLUB, the new McLAREN P1, and a host of LAMBORGHINI's. There was even a motorcycle with a CORVETTE 500 V8 ENGINE.

At noon time, the spectators and exhibitors were treated to a fly over by the ANTIQUE AIRPLANE CLUB OF SAN FRANCISCO. The cars aren't judged, but special plaques were given to the most significant or outstanding entries.

I was very surprised to have my car be awarded a plaque

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which read: "This carbon fibered body car from NISSAN has a 480hp supercharged engine, and is on display from the Z OWNERS OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA club. There were only two other Japanese entries: An ACURA NSX, and a fully restored TOYOTA CELICA. Cars awarded with plaques received a commentative wine glass, a concours hat, and a bottle of Napa Valley Merlot.

## Twenty-one years ago in ZNEWS



By Bob Jenkins

On the cover was an article about a ZONC tour to the FORMULA ONE at CAESARS PALACE in Las Vegas. Twenty-seven ZONCers enjoyed the gambling, FORMULA ONE and CAN AM RACES and other thing the city had to offer, but they did not get the parade lap that had been promised.

An article called CANDIDATES 1983 had nine nominations for the four Board positions.

There was an article about planning for a three day driving school with Jim Russell at LAGUNA SECA for 1983.

An article by Jack & Yolanda Atkinson talked about their DEATH VALLEY CAMPOUT TOUR, which was to be a 3-day affair in November.

A news release about ZONC member and Race Driver, Frank Leary, talked about his 280ZX TURBO, which he raced between three classes in two sanctioning bodies.

An Autocross article talked about the ZONC autocross series of five events and the 41 drivers who ran them, and the ZONC sponsored event called, ZONC IT TO EM.

In a TECH TALK article John Condon talked about ways to improve the handling of the Z with different shocks, springs, and anti sway bars, wheels and tires.

The 1982 newsletter stated ZONC had 526 members and 92 associates, and the President was Jim Warych, Vice President was Ron Willis, Secretary was Bonnie Loera, and Bill McGowan was Treasurer.





## 2013 Ironstone Concours in the Gold Country

By Ann Devor

Always looking for another classic car event, on September 28, Paul and I went to the IRONSTONE CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE located at the IRONSTONE WINERY south of the picturesque GOLD COUNTRY town of Murphys. The IRONSTONE CONCOURS features mostly northern California cars that are of the same high quality seen at other prominent CONCOURS shows such as those in Hillsborough or Palo Alto, but the scene stealer for this show – literally – is the spectacularly beautiful IRONSTONE WINERY with its expansive green lawns, ponds and landscaped creek.

Impressive and historically important automobiles lined the tiers of the amphitheater a few steps from where we entered the show. The CONCOURS presented special classes of cars including boattail cars from the 1930's, of which a supercharged 1936 AUBURN SPEEDSTER took the BEST OF SHOW award. The show winner, along with other cars on

display, had previously been shown at PEBBLE BEACH and exemplified the high caliber of the cars at IRONSTONE.

Of special note was the BORGWARD class, displaying 14 of the little coupes in a contrastingly beautiful glen next to a pond. Other special classes of cars included vintage race cars, all with racing provenance, next to a section of microcars - the latest rage in cars displayed at CONCOURS shows.

There were also hot rods, muscle cars, the usual selection of European sports cars, and a fantastic collection of early T-birds, including a quadruplet set of bisque and cream beauties. While there were no Japanese cars on display (although some beautiful J-cars were in the parking lot), we would recommend the IRONSTONE CONCOURS to anyone who loves the fine quality and workmanship to be seen in significantly important historic automobiles.

*Photos by Paul Gommel and Ann Devor*





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ZONCER James Johnson recently seen autocrossing his 240Z in Sonoma County.  
(photo by Bob Jenkins)

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NOVEMBER  
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**FOR SALE**

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