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The Official Newsletter of Z Owners of Northern California

ZONC BOARD Meeting February 9, 2014

Sun. at 11:00 AM

Cenarios Pizza 364 Pittman Rd. #1, Fairfield, Ca

RSVP to anndevor@gmail.com by 2-6-14

Budweiser/Jelly Belly tour Saturday, February 8, 2014 Flyer on page 3

CONTRA COSTA CRUISE

Saturday, March 15, 2014

Flyer on page 4



Cars and Coffee at Blackhawk Museum

Sunday, March 2, 2014

8AM - 10AM

Danville, Ca.

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PRESIDENT'S Updates

This month is the Budweiser/Jelly Belly Tour. I must confess that I'm looking forward to the Jelly Belly store after the tour. So many choices! See the flyer on page 3 of this newsletter.

We'll return to Fairfield and the Cinearos Restaurant for our Feb. 9th (Sunday) Meeting. Everyone is welcome for the no-host lunch. We got a great individual pizza with 3 toppings and salad for about \$5.00 and excellent service!

Planning is underway for our Annual Car Show on July 12th at the Brisbane Marina. If you have an idea for an event T-shirt design please let me know now. Our classes will remain the same and this year we hope to have 2 or 3 of every model in the show. So, get your friends to put our show on their calendar! Let them know that ZONC is a good deal for the price of the membership! Although, non members are welcome to participate in the car show as always.

We'll have our March 2nd (Sunday) meeting after Cars and Coffee at Blackhawk Plaza in Danville. Cars and Coffee is free from 8am-10am. The museum opens at 9am. Our meeting will be at about 10am at the Fieldhouse Sports Grill, with a no-host brunch. We hope to have a good showing of ZONC cars at the Cars and Coffee so come join the fun and plan to get there by 8am, as according to ZONC member Gary Kerchner, the lot fills up quickly.

Also in March is the popular **Annual Contra Costa Cruise** on March 16th. The Gommels are planning another great drive. See the flyer on page 4. After the Cruise we will meet at Brennan's for a no-host lunch.

If you want to experience an A-B Variety Rallye (about 50 miles around the very scenic Sonoma County) and help raise money for Canine Companions for Independence, mark your calendar for April 6th. The entry fee is a very reasonable \$17.00 per car. Talk with ZNews Editor, Bob Jenkins, if you want to know more about an A-B Variety Rallye, as Bob is the RallyeMaster.

ZONCers have already enjoyed drives on the 2014 Anticontinued in next column Football Run hosted by David Swig's Amici americani della Mille Miglia in Marin County, and the Porsche of Livermore Mines Road to Mt. Hamilton run. Both of which occurred on January 1st. You'll find more about the Mines Road run in this issue.

ZCON 2014 registration is now open. Your user name and password are good from any previous ZCONS that you've registered for. Once you confirm you can NOT make changes ONLINE but must contact the event planners. Don't forget to select ZONC, listed as Z Owners of Northern California. I just registered and the cost for a driver is \$99 and for a passenger is \$85.00. There is also a 2nd hotel available. See schedule on page 6. A ZONC list of attendees will be gathered early in the summer.

Please Welcome

New Member . . .

DAVID A. BRADLEY 240Z TOM WILSON 370Z

Keep checking at **ZONC.org** for updates and. . . Enjoy the open road.

~ Marci

HAPPY FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

JEFF ERICKSON KATHY JONES CURTIS LEWIS

IKE HOLLOMON

CRAIG KOLOSKE

DICK LAWLESS

MARTIN LYONS

If you're not listed - it's because the Data Base Manager does not have your month of birth. And you're wished a Happy Birthday!

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Budweiser/Jelly Belly Budweiser/Jelly Belly Winter Doubleheader Winter Doubleheader

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2014





10:30 a.m.



12:00 Noon

3101 Busch Dr. Fairfield, CA 94534

Tour Leaves Promptly at 11:00 a.m.

Limited to first 15 people to rsvp to anndevor@gmail.com by 2/01/14

2400 N. Watney Way Fairfield, CA 94533

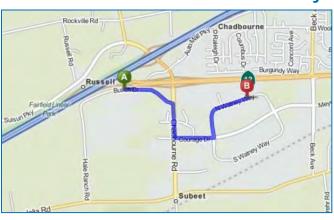
Meet for Lunch at Jelly Belly Café

Tour of Candy Factory at 2:00 p.m.

rsvp to anndevor@gmail.com by 2/01/14

Budweiser:

Take I-80 to CA -12E. Exit south on Chadbourne Rd. and turn right on Busch



Jelly Belly:

From Chadbourne Rd. turn left on Courage Dr., then turn left on N. Watney

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Saturday, March 15, 2014 Concord to Berkeley

Go for a morning run through beautiful Briones Regional Park and the East Bay hills to Tilden Park and lunch in Berkeley

Sign-in at 9:00 a.m. at Panera Bread



The Willows Shopping Center 1975 Diamond Blvd. Concord, CA

Depart promptly at 10:00 a.m.

11:30-1:30 p.m. lunch at Brennan's 700 University Ave. Berkeley, CA

Optional return to Orinda and Hwy. 24 after lunch

To register for goody bag and lunch, please send email no later than 3/8/14 to:

anndevor@gmail.com

Bring FRS radio (if you have one)

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LONG AGO IN ZNEWS February 1979

By Bob Jenkins

On the cover was an announcement for a wine tour starting from El Cerrito, an ad for ZONC club jackets at \$15 and T-shirts at \$5, and an announcement of the new membership application with a RED ZONC emblem.

The Rallye Line by Byron Cole talked about the ZONC Rallye Series of 5 to 7 events. He also talked about the rallye schools, both variety and Pan-AM styles. There was also an article on rallyes and an up coming school by Rich Peterson. Byron and Bill Jonesi took first place in unequipped in an all night Monte Carlo.

The February calendar listed a General Meeting at the Dublin Howard Johnson's, a Wine tour from El Cerrito, a Rallye School in Pleasant Hill, a Varity Rallye at Sun Valley, and a Pan Am Rallye School in Sunnyvale.

ZONC membership was listed as 480 members and 98 associates, and officers were President Jim Warych, Vice-President Ken Mosbey, Secretary Claudia Matheson, Treasurer Brian Holecheck.

Blackhawk Museum Cars and Coffee

Danville, Ca

ZONC Member Gary Kerchner, thought a Meet and Greet at the Blackhawk Museum's Cars and Coffee would be fun.

Cars and Coffee is the first Sunday of the every month and occur in many places. Blackhawk's Cars and Coffee is advertised on their website with a note that on those Sunday's the Museum opens at 9am.

Plan to join us sometime between 8am and 10am for the free Cars and Coffee on Sunday, March 2nd, followed by a **ZONC** meeting and no host brunch at the Fieldhouse Sports Grill at 10am. The agenda will include updates on events planned for the 2014 ZONC calendar and work on the Car Show.

Datsun/Nissan Corrals at Laguna Seca

by Ann Devor

Plans have been made for a Datsun/Nissan corral for the Tudor United SportsCar Championship at Laguna Seca on May 2-4. Nissan is entering a P2 class racecar with the Muscle Milk Racing team in this new race series that replaces both the former ALMS and Grand Am races.

We have also made plans for a Datsun/Nissan corral for the Rolex Motorsports Reunion on August 15-17 at Laguna Seca. It is always a thrill to see vintage Datsuns and Nissans competing on this world-class raceway and this year promises to be even more exciting when we hope to see one of our good friends on the track. (Hint: ZCG.)

NOTE: The Laguna Seca ticket system now operates in much the same way as the Sonoma Raceway ticket system - you buy your race tickets and your Datsun/Nissan corral pass as separate items through their website serviced by Ticketmaster. The tickets and corral pass are then directly mailed to you.

ZONC does not advance any money and is not involved in the ticket or corral pass process in any manner beyond initially requesting the corral. Ultimately, this means it is not a ZONC corral and any Datsun/Nissan can get in. We requested a corral for 15-20 cars based on past turn-out, but now that it is open to any Datsun/Nissan, you may be wise to buy your tickets early.



Photo by Ann Devor

WEDDING BELLS

Congratulations and best wishes to ZONCer David Morse and Veronica Aldelman, on their marriage held in Fairfield on January 4, 2014.

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SAVE the date for 2014!

ZCON 2014 - San Diego AUGUST 5th TO 9th

The Kona Kai resort has already been completely booked and a second hotel, the Consulate Hotel is now taking reservations. Registration is now open for the convention at:

http://www.zccazconvention.com/conventions/2014/

If anyone is interested in leading a ZONC tour to ZCON please contact a board member. ZCON schedule is:

Tuesday is the no charge Opening Reception with a cash bar at 6pm at Kona Kai, followed by the \$2.00 per person Texas Chili Party at 8:30.

WEDNESDAY at 10am is a Road Rallye, entry fee is \$9.99 per car, and Trophies will be awarded. A Suds-n-Shine car detailing and no charge mixer at the auxiliary hotel is from 1-5pm. Followed by a Harbor Cruise & Dinner from 6-9pm costing a \$120.00 per person (children are half price).

THURSDAY from 9-3pm is the no fee Judged Car Show in the Kona Kai Resort parking lot. There will be vendors and free swag. The Mission Brewery Mixer with raffle prizes will be from 7-10pm and is \$20.00 per person (no children allowed).

FRIDAY is a self paced no charge scenic tour on the back roads and if you're lucky to win tickets in the lottery you can tour the Nissan Design Center for \$25.00 per person.

SATURDAY at the Qualcomm Stadium is both the Autocross and the People Choice Car Show from 8-3pm, Entry fee for the autocross is \$55.00 per driver. The Nissan Design Center will again be open to those lucky lottery winners for \$25.00 per person. The no charge closing awards banquet with no -host bar will have a guest speaker and raffle prizes. It is from 6-9pm at the Kona Kai Resort.





ZONCer at Rallye in 2013, Photo by Bob Jenkins

50th April Fools Rallye Sunday, April 6, 2014

By Zoncer Bob Jenkins, RallyeMaster

Sunday, April 6, 2014 is the date of Empire Sports Car Associations, 50th Annual April Fools Rallye, again a charity event, with profits going to Canine Companions For Independence.

The start will again be at the Charles M. Schulz Museum on Hardies Lane, in Santa Rosa. Registration will be from 10:30am to 12:30pm and the entry fee will be \$17 per car. There are classes from Master Expert to First Timer and awards in all classes, with a participation plaque to the first 40 cars. There is a short rallye school in the start area at 11:00am.

This year's route is less than 50 miles and takes an eastern route, and ends at a ROUND TABLE PIZZA PARLOR in Rohnert Park. The rallye is an easy A/B type event and runs on mostly country back roads. This rallye is not a speed event, but a test of a team's ability's to follow instructions, so yes two people are needed to run the rallye.

The rallye has a web site where you can run a practice A/B Map Rallye and see the event flyer and pictures from past rallyes http://www.sonic.net/~thebeard/



ZONCer at Rallye in 2013, Photo by Bob Jenkins

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JANUARY 15T RUN

Article and Photos by Rolf Johnsen

1 January 2014 really turned into a new adventure for me and over 20 other Z Owners this year. Arriving home from work 27 Dec 2013, I had a voice mail from a Mr. Steve Perry of Livermore asking for assistance and our Z Community participation in an event on Jan 1st. He further explained that last year they had organized a Porsche run event which a couple of Zs happened to show up and be part of. He explained that they were so impressed in the details, sparkle and downright performance on the run path, that he would like to Invite Z Owners to their very pristine event on 1 Jan 2014. A food and drink catered start-up meeting point and 98 mile run along and around the base of Mount Hamilton was described as the targeted path. He further mentioned that at the previous event approximately 81 various and very nice cars participated, including the Zs. Asking how he had gotten my name, he described how he looked up Zs in Northern California, found **ZONC** and then my name as the **ZONC** North Valley Area Representative. Also, seeing my position in our club he knew I was a good point to start at.

Immediately seeing this as a good reason to go warm up my Z, I detailed the event using his flyer and proceeded to flood the Z Internet Airways of our support and participation in this event. I was bound and determined to make sure that our Super Zs were there not only showing our open minded willingness to go on good runs but also to reflect the dynamic Nissan Z family we are all part of. I also sent info over to our **ZONC** Sacramento Area Rep and coordinator, Mr Curtis Lewis and my friend and President Todd Gillman of Silicon

Valley Z Owners Group of San Jose/Bay Area region (SVZG). Marci, our **ZONC** President as well as Ann Devor, **ZONC** Secretary were also contacted and these two immediately shot out a Z Gram to all of our members in **ZONC**. In all, we had literally flooded the entire Northern California area of this Partnership Super-Event! Remember, this is all in a matter of 2 days! By Monday, 30 Dec, the flood of feedbacks started coming in from all over the areas asking for clarifications, details and copies of the run map. I forwarded multiple responses over to Steve and the Porsche Gang and the dealership General Manager /event coordinator and this started to come together real fast.

Getting my Z as soon as I could over to Modesto's Central Valley Nissan (CVN-Formal **ZONC** Sponsor) they ensured my Z was in pristine shape and mechanically safe condition to ensure a safe drive through the treacherous Mines Road and up to and around Mount Hamilton mountain range.

On the 1st of Jan, 2014 over 175 cars showed up for this event! Porsches, Ferrari's, Pantera, BMWs, Mystery Performance Race cars and of course Zs from all over the region were here! Being a very exclusive run event for the Porsche Family, our Zs showed in a voluminous rate of over 10% of the total population of racers and participants. It was over double the size of last year's population for the entire event of only 85! Our Zs naturally Sparkled and the infamous Z exhaust roar was heard there. We also received many looks and compliments from these exclusive owners on our cars, many which included statements of "Nice Car," "Didn't know these were so powerful," and many more!

We finally got through the 32-36 cold temps waiting period, eating some pretty good food and hot coffee and had our safety briefing about 0900, where we had to break out into two groups because of the huge number of participants.



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January 1 Run

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Starting off,two paths were taken with both ending 1/2 way through at the Mount Hamilton site. From there we all headed our respective ways back down again. The 98 miles of twisty, hair-raising, grueling, fast turns, banks, straight aways and grueling corners almost ensured that some of the drivers, navigators and passengers finished with soggy pants at the end of the run. There were no accidents or crashes and that meant we had a very safe and successful run and there were a lot of smiling faces from start to finish!

Next year on 1 January 2015, this event will be held again and we have been exclusively invited back! I'll see you all there!



ZONC & non ZONC events

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Feb 08	ZONC Budweiser Jelly Belly Tour
Feb 09	ZONC Board Meeting Field
Mar 02	ZONC Blackhawk Cars & Coffee
Mar 15	ZONC Contra Costa Cruise
Apr 06	50th April Fools Rallye Santa Rosa
Apr 13	ZONC Meeting in Modesto
Apr 26	MSA Party One day event
May 02-04	Tudor United Sports Car Champion-
	ship at Laguna Seca with Corral
May 10	ZONC Meeting in Vallejo
May 17-18	Sonoma Historic Motorsports Festival
	at Sonoma Raceway
May 24	ZONC 4th Annual Castle Air Force
	Base Run
Jun 01	ZONC Meeting in Benicia
Jun 22	ZONC Mt. Hamilton Run
Jul 05	ZONC Goody Bag Meeting
Jul 12	ZONC Annual Car Show at Brisbane
	Marina
Aug 05-09	ZCCA ZCON in San Diego
Aug 8-10	Monterey Histories Pre-Reunion events
	at Laguna Seca Raceway
Aug 15-17	Rolex Motorsports Reunion at Laguna
	Seca Raceway with Corral
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IF IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP, SEND IN THIS FORM BELOW WITH YOUR DUES!

ARE YOU MOVING?? PLEASE FILL OUT CHANGE OF ADDRESS BELOW!

☐ ZONC MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM ☐ Change of Address (complete 1-8 only below)					
Send your check payable to: ZONC to: Ann Devor 2916 Eccleston Avenue, Walnut Creek, CA 94597					
1) Your Name:	2) Email Address:				
3) Address:	4) City: 5) State:				
6) County: 7) Zip:	8) Home Telephone ()				
☐ Enclosed are my \$30 dues for the next 12 months ☐ Enclosed are my \$55 dues for the next 24 months					
☐ Enclosed is an additional \$10 per person, per year, for an associate membership for					
Total Enclosed: \$					

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BUSINESS DISPLAY AD RATES FOR **ZNEWS**

	MONTHLY	6 MONTHS	YEARLY
Full Page	<i>\$55</i>	\$303	\$495
1/2 Page	\$35	\$184	\$315
1/4 Page	\$25	\$125	\$200
Bus. Card	\$15	\$68	\$90



FOR SALE

Very rare **Tenth Anniversary Special Edition** 1980 280ZX (Red/Black). Fully loaded: T-top, fivespeed manual, analogue climate control (ONLY the fan works), original alloy wheels, with console plaque -105 of 3,000 (500 were black/red). New CD player/AM/ FM radio (have original separate tape deck and AM/ FM radio). Engine (replaced) has about 167,000 miles. ZX has 217,000. RUNS WELL!

Registered through April 2014. Routine maintenance: oil changes 3,000 miles with check-ups. Last Nissan oil change: 6/25/13. Replaced over time: muffler, rear struts, radiator, heater core, exhaust manifold, fuel injectors, master brake cylinder, distributor, alternator, starter, and cold air compressor (choke). Michelin tires in excellent condition. Interior faded; mostly intact. Excellent body.

\$1,550 or reasonable, best offer. Contact Martin: (415) 364-1849 or psp123@att.net

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Members: no charge for nonbusiness ads (include membership # with ad)

Nonmembers: \$10.00 per ad, \$20.00 with photo.

Please send via email with photos, if possible (.gif or .jpg of 100 to 150 KB in size) to:

thebeard@sonic.net

Ads run for two months

(unless you tell me to remove it after one month). Please include your complete address with ad.

DEADLINE: is the 15th of the month, for inclusion in the next issue. Please make check or money order payable to: **ZONC**.

Please send ad with payment to:

BOB JENKINS, Z MART 2173 DOLEN CT. SANTA ROSA, CA 95401

ZONC & non ZONC events

Aug 22-24	Go-Pro Grand Prix of Sonoma
	(Indy Car) at Sonoma Raceway
Sep 06	ZONC Annual Birthday Party Picnic
Sep 13-14	FIA World Touring Ca Championship at
	Sonoma Raceway
Oct 04	ZONC Tour to Eagle Field Historic
	Drag Races
Oct 04-05	CRSG Charity Challenge at Sonoma
	Raceway
Oct 05	ZONC Meeting in Fairfield
Oct 10-12	SCCA National Championship Runoffs
	at Laguna Seca
Oct 24	ZONC Canepa Design Run
Nov 15	ZONC Berryessa Run
Dec 06	ZONC Annual Awards Banquet
	Sep 06 Sep 13-14 Oct 04 Oct 04-05 Oct 05 Oct 10-12 Oct 24 Nov 15

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