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TOUR TO DRAKES BEACH & BEYOND

Saturday, June 14, 2014

Main Start: Petaluma Marina 10:00 AM

On Saturday, June 14, 2014 there will be a tour to the Marin coast. The main start will be at the Petaluma Marina at 781 Baywood Drive, off Lakeville in Petaluma, California.

After a short drivers' meeting we will leave start at about 10:15 AM for the 39 mile run to the beach.

We will have lunch at Drakes Beach. So bring a picnic lunch, a kite, a jacket, and walking shoes, for a fun day at the coast. If you do not want to pack a lunch

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ZONC BOARD Meeting

June 1, 2014

Saturday at 11:30 AM

Mountain Mike's Pizza
2130 Columbus Parkway
Benicia, Ca 94510

**RSVP to anndevor@gmail.com
by -5-31-2014**

**HAPPY
JUNE
BIRTHDAYS**



**STEPHEN CASWELL
ALAN HIROTANI
LINDA WILLIAMS**

*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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PRESIDENT'S UPDATES

ZONC lost a very good friend when on May 19th **Lyent Hogue Jr.**, passed away. Lyent had just recently taken a leave of absence from the **ZONC Vice President** position. As you know, Lyent had been on the **ZONC** board for the past eight years. On page 7 is a Tribute to Lyent.

At our June meeting we will finalize the name of the charity to which we will send the profits from our Annual Car Show raffle.

Raffle items are needed for the car show - if you have any to donate please contact a **ZONC** Board member.

As of this writing, **ZONC** has again received support for the Car Show from NORTH BAY NISSAN and Z CAR GARAGE.

ZONC now has national publicity in Z CAR CLUB MAGAZINE. If you have photos of **ZONC** events taken with a digital camera that has an mp greater than 7mp - please send them to me for consideration to submit to ZCCM. Each issue **ZONC** can submit a photo or two and a short (125 word) note about **ZONC** and our activities. The magazine is very nicely done. There are no by-lines or photo credits given.

Upcoming events for June will be a short trip to Drakes Beach. See article on page 1. **ZNews** Editor, Bob Jenkins, has always had a camera or movie camera in his hand at **ZONC** events and he has some interesting photos of a tour to Drakes Beach with many many **ZONC** cars during the 70's. He also has a short video of **ZONC** leaving a parking lot on another tour and I counted 50 cars - this video was from the 70's also. Wonder if anyone who attended either tour is still in **ZONC** (besides Bob). If you were please let me know.

Our July event is the **ANNUAL CAR SHOW!!!** It's time to register and order your Car Show T-Shirt! All T-Shirt orders must be in by **JUNE 19th!** Also, the cost of entering the Show goes up after 6-19-14. **So don't wait!!!**

There's time still to register for **ZCON 2014!** The website

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OFFICER NOMINATIONS FOR 2015

This is a reminder that **Officer Nominations for 2015** will open in August this year, as we changed the **ZONC By-Laws** last year. All officer positions will be open and we will need a new president as our current president is termed out by the Constitution, which states the President shall be limited to two consecutive terms in office.

So, do be thinking about **who you would like to see as a ZONC Officer for 2015.**

Tour To Drakes Beach

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there is a café at the beach, but the menu is limited and sometimes not open. Also at the beach is the Ken Patrick Visitors Center.

After a 1 and a half hour lunch break we will head up Highway one to Tomales

Also, if you have an FSR hand held radio, please put it on channel 7 and bring it along.

If you plan on coming on the tour please RSVP to Bob Jenkins at: thebeard@sonic.net or you can call me at (707) 546-6867 **by 6-12-14.**



Please Welcome

New Members . .

PATRICK JOHNSON
MICHAEL CHAPMAN
STEPHEN KOMOS

DATSUN ROADSTER
DATSUN 240Z
NISSAN 300ZX



Z OWNERS OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA ANNUAL CAR SHOW



THE BRISBANE MARINA
JULY 12, 2014
10:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.

★ DATSUN ★ NISSAN ★ INFINITI ★

Z ★ 510 ★ ROADSTER ★ G COUPE ★ GT-R

★ Trophies for Best in Class and Best in Show ★

★ T-Shirts! Goody Bags! Raffle! ★

★ Swap Meet/Vendor Area! ★

Register Today! Pre-registration and t-shirts available until 6/19/14 at www.zonc.org

Pre-Registration Fee: \$25 ZONC Member Pre-Registration Fee: \$15

Fee at the Gate on July 12: \$30

Swap Meet/Vendor Area at nominal charge for non-show participants

Pre-order t-shirts today!
Quantities limited!

On site registration starts
at 10:00 a.m.

From US 101, take Sierra
Point Parkway exit

400 SIERRA POINT PKWY., BRISBANE, CA 94005





Z OWNERS OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA ANNUAL CAR SHOW THE BRISBANE MARINA

JULY 12, 2014 – 10:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.
All Zs - 510s - Roadsters - GT-Rs - G Coupes

Name _____
Address _____

Phone/Cell _____
Email _____

★ **All on-line registration
after June 19 will be \$30** ★

This applies to members and non-members.
Members – save now and register!
Non-Members – join now and save!



★ **Car Entry** ★

☐ Datsun ☐ Nissan ☐ Infiniti

Year _____

Model _____

☐ Stock ☐ Modified



Join ZONC now!
www.ZONC.org

Pre-Registration Ends June 19, 2014!

★ **Pre-Registration Fees** ★

Member (\$15 Per Car) \$ _____

Non-Member (\$25 Per Car) \$ _____

Total for Car Entry \$ _____

★ **GRAND TOTAL** ★

Registration and T-Shirts \$ _____

★ **T-Shirt Orders** ★ **Limited Production**

Pre-Order Now! NO SHIPPING! Pick up at Car Show!

S \$14.00 each

ordered _____ Total \$ _____

M \$14.00 each

ordered _____ Total \$ _____

L \$14.00 each

ordered _____ Total \$ _____

XL \$14.00 each

ordered _____ Total \$ _____

2XL \$15.50 each

ordered _____ Total \$ _____

3XL \$17.00 each

ordered _____ Total \$ _____

4XL \$19.50 each

ordered _____ Total \$ _____

TOTAL T-Shirt Order \$ _____

Register online at www.ZONC.org under Event Registration or mail to:
ZONC, P.O. Box 184, 21001 San Ramon Valley Blvd., Ste. A4, San Ramon, CA 94583
(Post-marked **no later than June 19, 2014**) (ZONC Members will need Member ID #)



Nissan Race Cars at MONTEREY GRAND PRIX

By Ann Devor with Photos by Paul Gommel & Ann Devor

The CONTINENTAL TIRE MONTEREY GRAND PRIX came to LAGUNA SECA RACEWAY on May 2 – 4, 2014. The MONTEREY GRAND PRIX is part of the new IMSA TUDOR UNITED SPORTSCAR CHAMPIONSHIP series that combines the former ALMS and GRANDAM races. Over the three day event, the MONTEREY GRAND PRIX featured a variety of races including the MAZDA MX-5 CUP, the PORSCHE GT3 CUP CHALLENGE, the LAMBORGHINI BLANCPAIN SUPER TROFEO, the CONTINENTAL TIRE SPORTSCAR CHALLENGE (Grand Sport and Street Tuner classes) and the marquis event, the TUDOR UNITED SPORTSCAR CHAMPIONSHIP (Prototype, Prototype Challenge, GT Le Mans and GT Daytona classes). **ZONC** set up a car corral for Nissans and Datsuns just above Turn 5 where we had a perfect view of race cars making the turn and accelerating up the hill. While the turn-out for our corral was a little light, we had Harvey and Cynthia Laskey in their beautiful red 370Z and Dale and Chris Kusaba in their crowd-stopping 350Z along with our 350Z, a 240Z, a 370Z roadster from Southern California, a Maxima from Utah, an Altima from Oregon, another Altima from California and a Juke.

Saturday's SPORTSCAR CHALLENGE race was really interesting - cars that we can all relate to. In the GS class, a BMW M3



placed first, a Camaro Z28R placed second, and an Aston Martin Vantage finished third. The unsung heroes placing 4th, 5th and 6th were all 370Z's. And this is amazing because there was zero visible corporate support - no Nissan tent in the vendor area and not even a Nissan ad in the program. At one point the #14 370Z was in second, but because of mandatory driver changes/pit stops, it finished 5th. Also in this race in the ST class were two Altimas, placing 16th and 19th in the class and ahead of the two Hyundais, but sadly behind three Honda Civics! Mazda's MX-5 Miatas ran away with this division, placing 1st, 2nd and 3rd, and ahead of the following BMW 128i and two 328i's. Of course, we're talking rear wheel drive cars competing against front wheel drive cars so things got a little funny with the ST class.

Sunday's race was very exciting with OAK Racing in the #42 Morgan Nissan Nismo jumping to a close second with its nose on the leading #90 Corvette's tail. There was contact between the two



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CARS & COFFEE MARIN

By Bob Jenkins

On Sunday, May 4th, Marci and I took the 350 and headed down to the MARIN COUNTY CARS AND COFFEE, a gathering at 132 Vintage Way in Novato, which happens on the first Sunday of each month, from 8 am to 11 am.

As usual there was a great group of all different types of cars, of which several were ZONC cars. Besides the Jenkins' 350Z, there was Jim Johnson's 240Z and Andy Wiskes' 240Z. This is a great group of friendly people and very nice cars.

MARIN COUNTY CARS AND COFFEE has a FACEBOOK page with photos from each month.

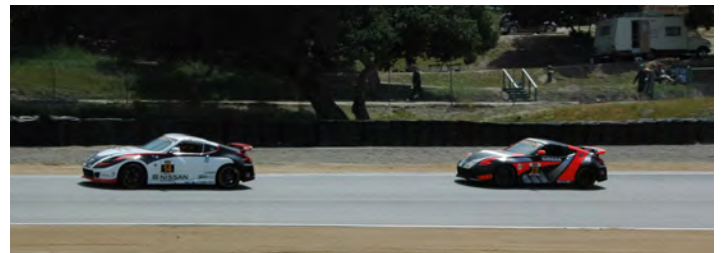


Nissan Race Cars at Monterey

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early on when they went side by side at the Corkscrew with the Corvette leaving a small body piece behind. Then 45 minutes into the race, #42 was hit and needed repairs to its suspension. Once back on the track, there was speculation it would be penalized for causing a serious dust-up. In Paul's photo, you can see the blue #90 Corvette in the foreground, with the #42 Morgan Nissan next to it on the bump strips, and a Mazda and a Corvette in the swirling dirt. Looks like they just got pushed off the road at the turn - can you imagine that? But even without a penalty, #42 was 14 laps behind at the end of the race, even though it posted a new race lap record of 1:19.747 in lap 40. Honda ultimately won the race with Corvette and Ford in second and third, but for the early part of the 2 hour race, all of the drama was between #90 and #42.

LAGUNA SECA RACEWAY is one of the world's premier tracks and it is always exciting to be there among superstar drivers and their fantastic racecars. Our next corral at LAGUNA SECA will be for the ROLEX MONTEREY MOTORSPORTS REUNION, a series of vintage car races including Datsun and Nissan racecars that will take place on August 15-17. Tickets for the races and the Nissan/Datsun corral are available through the MAZDA RACEWAY LAGUNA SECA ticket service. Please make plans to be there!





Long Ago in ZNEWS June 1981

By Bob Jenkins

On the cover was news of two members delivering baby's, AUTOWEEK stating Datsun was bring to the U.S. a 280ZX Turbo 2+2, in racing news Paul Newman qualified the Bob Sharp Datsun Turbo V-8, and Datsun finished 1, 2, and 3 in the AFRICAN SAFARI RALLYE in Kenya, and in "Tech Talk", **ZONC**er John Condon introduced himself as the club's new "Technical Advisor".

Inside were a flyer for a **ZONC** autocross in Sunnyvale, and a flyer for a **ZONC** swim and picnic party in Santa Rosa, and a **ZONC** Swap Meet in Mt. View. There were also flyers for a Driver's School a SEARS POINT by the Mini Owners Club, a Time & Distance Rallye Series by Nor Cal 510 Assn. & The Rallye Club, and an invite to a club member's wedding in the SILVER QUEEN SALOON in Virginia City. Plus flyers for a **ZONC** day at GREAT AMERICA, and a Concours d' Elegance in Hayward.

ZONC survey results showed members had 37-240s, 9-260s, 14-280s, 7-280ZXs, 1-1971 Fairlady, 1-ZX 10 Spec Ed., and 3-scarab Zs. For choice of event to attend 5 choose Rallye, 9 choose Auto-X, 5 choose Tech. Clinics, 15 choose Corral at the races, 5 choose day-at-the-track and 33 specified tours.

ZONC had 472 members and 94 associates. The President was Jim Warych, Vice President was Ron Willis, Secretary was Kathy Topper, and Treasurer Bill McGowan.



~ VERY SAD NEWS ~

We are very sad to inform you of the passing of **Lyent Hogue Jr.** on Monday, May 19, 2014. Lyent joined **ZONC** in 2005 and served on the **ZONC Board** for 8 years, since 2006. He served as Vice President of Administration, Vice President and President. He was one of our most friendly and helpful members, ALWAYS willing to step in and help out in any way he could, such as cooking at the **ZONC** picnics, handing out awards at the car show, finding venues for events and being a club officer and president. His big smile, big heart and friendly greetings will be missed by all.



SONOMA HISTORICS, No “Wine-ing”

By Ann Devor with Photos by Paul Gommel & Ann Devor

ZONC went to the SONOMA HISTORICS on Saturday and Sunday, May 17 and 18, for two beautiful but windy days at the racetrack formerly known as SEARS POINT and now as the SONOMA RACEWAY. This year the HISTORICS were all about the vintage race cars with little else offered at the track. The field of cars and drivers has shifted toward a more regional event showcasing local cars and drivers rather than the “mini-Monterey” set of race cars that it had been. There were no food tickets and the huge pavilion tent was missing. Instead of feasting on samples of local products from Sonoma food artisans and vintners, we had hamburgers at the RACETRACK GRILL. This was a smaller event than in years past with the usual heavy emphasis on TransAm and Pony cars instead of elite European racers. But once on the track, the racing got serious.

Saturday’s program was all Qualifying with every Group in preliminary competition on the track, the same as would race on Sunday. Joining Paul and me in our 240Z, the **ZONC** corral at Turn 3 featured 240Zs driven by Andy Wiskes and Dave and Dona Moody, and 350Zs with drivers Bill Roth, and Lois and Ruff Apperson. On Sunday, Bob



and Marci Jenkins, Pete and Karen Iozzia joined us in their 350Zs before we all took off to watch the races, roam Turn 2 and the pits, and then enjoy lunch together beneath the grandstands.

The race cars we were most interested in, Group 13A, featured two historic and familiar racing 240Zs: the red, white and blue #33 Bob Sharp race car driven by Dave Stone, and the #3 silver Ramsey Racing Z driven by Bob Clucas. The #38 280ZX that was registered for racing by Adam Carolla was neither seen on the track nor in the pits, perhaps a further testament to Carolla’s not exactly impressive racing record. In the Group 13A race, the #33 Z started in last position after failing to complete enough laps Saturday in Qualifying, but it was fun to watch as it moved up on the track, passing a BMW, a Porsche 911, three 914s and its sister Datsun, the #3 Z. Still, #33 couldn’t gain enough ground to get past the two Chevrons and the Monza that took first, second and third.

The best part of this year’s SONOMA HISTORICS was the low-key, non-commercial atmosphere in the paddock, even listening to the race announcer. “The weekend was successful once again,” said Steve Earle, president of GENERAL RACING, Ltd. “We are very proud of the quality of our drivers. We had



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SONOMA HISTORICS, No "Wine-ing"

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only one minor incident, but otherwise it was a good, clean, fun weekend for all the participants and fans. That's what it's supposed to be, and has always been. We also appreciate the participation of car clubs at this event, representing marques such as Morgan, Porsche and Datsun Z" Here at the Z club, we are keeping our fingers crossed that this valuable part of Bay Area racing heritage will continue and we will all meet up again in ZONC's "Datsun Z" corral at next year's SONOMA HISTORICS.



PRESIDENT'S UPDATES

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has all the information: schedule, costs, and a nice welcome video. <http://www.zccazconvention.com/conventions/2014>

Special guests at ZCON 2014 will be Yoshihiko Matsuo, designer of the 240z in 1969, and Randy Rodriguez, designer of the exterior of the 370Z in 2009.

Writer, Lindsay Chappel in THE AUTONEWS on August 30, 2010, has a good write-up of the designers and their cars when they met at ZCON 2010 in Franklin Tenn, outside of the Nissan North American's headquarters.

The article can be read at <http://www.autonews.com/article/20100830/OEM03/308309976/catching-up-on-their-z>

I'm hoping that I'll be lucky enough to visit the Nissan Design Center while at ZCON 2014!

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

Enjoy the open road.

~ Marci

ZONC & non ZONC events

Jun 01	ZONC Meeting in Benicia
Jun 14	ZONC Tour to Drakes Beach
Jun 29	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
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	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
Nov 15	ZONC Berryessa Run
Dec 06	ZONC Annual Awards Banquet



Flyer from ZCSD April 2014 Newsletter

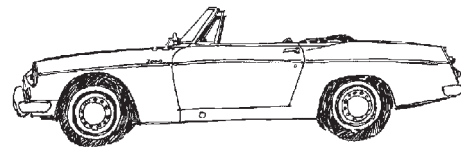
ZCON 2014 - San Diego

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.



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: \$ _____



FOR SALE

1974 260Z w/ 178,000+ hwy miles. 4 speed transmission, air, shade deck, tape player w/ booster.

All original and runs great. Radio not working and needs interior lighting.

Comes w/ extra rims including the original rims w/ hub caps, 3 hood bras and a dash board liner when needed.

Always garaged and asking price is **\$4,500.**

If interested give Cheryl a call @

(707) 486-4068 (2)



FOR SALE

1975 280Z by original owner.

171K miles,

5 speed manual transmission.

Seats re-upholstered.

Dash still looks new.

\$8,000

Call Chuck at **415-312-3311**

or email: whitepine43@comast.net

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Z MART

Z MART ADS

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).

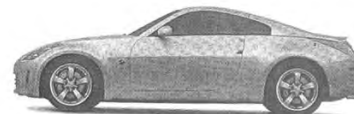
Please include your complete address with ad.

DEADLINE: is the 15th of the month,
for inclusion in the next issue.

Please make check or money order
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Please send ad with payment to:

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2173 DOLEN CT.
SANTA ROSA, CA 95401



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Z NEWS

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Bus. Card	\$15	\$68	\$90

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