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ZONC's

## Annual Banquet

Saturday, December 5, 2015

10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Cache Creek Casino

See details on page [3](#)



Save the Date

ZONC

Annual Planning Meeting

Saturday, January 9, 2016

11:00 a.m.

Elephant Bar & Grill

Concord, Ca

(See flyer next month)

## Gold Country Run

(November 1, 2015)

Article and Photos by Mary Rozmajzl

A trip to GOLD COUNTRY is, for many Californians, a step into the past... reminiscing the gold rush days in our state. That was the plan for ZONC's final day tour of 2015. Enjoy the fall colors along highway 12 and 49. Then slip into COLUMBIA STATE PARK and travel back in time. Good idea.

However, one ZONC member's Friday evening drive turned that "good idea" into a "Great Run." Herman Brown was completing some errands in Manteca two days before the ZONC run and pulled into a parking lot. He was taken

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## President's Corner By Ken Clark



'Tis the season... Mary and I have finally finished our Thanksgiving leftovers. And, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, Christmas, and New Year's Eve are just around the corner. Smack dab in the middle is ZONC's "43rd Annual Awards Banquet and Installation of Officers." Then on January 1, 2016, ZONC will celebrate again with the "Changing of the Guard" or board members, if you prefer.

That's right folks. Your ballots have been counted and there will be a new "sheriff" and "deputy" in Z town. Can't share their names with you now. All will be announced at the club banquet, **December 5<sup>th</sup>**, at CACHE CREEK CASINO RESORT. (If that's not enough to entice you to join us, I'd like to call your attention to the endless desert bar.) The fun and food start at 10:30 am.. Just two requests—show up with a big appetite and, an even bigger gift for some lucky boy or girl. (Check the flyer on page [3](#) for details.)

After the party, I'm inviting everyone to caravan with my Mary and me. We'll be dropping off the toys at one of Vacaville's fire stations, 650 Eubanks Court. It's just  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a mile from the Vaca Valley Parkway exit off Interstate 505. If you're heading back to the Bay Area, it will be right on your way. In case I don't catch you at the party, I'll thank you now for your donation.

I also have a long list of "thank you's" for all the ZONC members who made this past year memorable. I've been a member of ZONC for years and have volunteered for many club events. But, I did not realize how much member support is needed to stage our fun runs, an ice cream social, our annual picnic and the Brisbane car show. Add to that all the writing, photography and publishing work that go into our monthly newsletter. Finally, there's the paperwork and bookkeeping necessary to keep the club incorporated and solvent.

Bob and Marci Jenkins have guided me through so many newsletter articles and "President's Corners." Together, they make sure the club's publication is informative, entertaining

and on-time every month. That's on top of all the event photos Bob graciously captures. And the hours Marci spends making sure the club's insurance is up to date, all official documents are recorded and filed, and all flyers announcing upcoming events are published. And folks, this is just a fraction of what this couple does for ZONC.

Ann Devor diligently keeps club memberships up to date and makes sure new members feel welcome. She also finds time every year to host at least one day run. And her runs attract some pretty big crowds.

Yolanda and Jack Atkinson come through every year with professionally designed t-shirts and trophies for the annual car show. Speaking of the car show, Jason Green and his brother, Brian, came through big time this year. They helped with set-up. Jason wrangled competitors' cars into place and Brian manned the raffle booth, in spite of a leg injury.

I also want to recognize Lois and Ruffin Apperson. These two may not be board members, but they show up for every club meeting and contribute. They gladly volunteer at club events for the "less than glamorous" jobs. And they were our wingman and woman for the HEARST CASTLE RUN. Without Lois and Ruffin the run wouldn't have happened.

My list also includes our Administrative Vice President, Christy Nocon and car show volunteer, Linda Williams. Did I mention last month that Linda made a very generous personal donation to our car show goodie bags. Thanks to her, our competitors did not go hungry.

No club would survive without a steady, fiscally responsible treasurer. We have that in Wade Warren. He travels overseas so much for his career, and seldom is available for a club meeting, that we joke about him being our invisible treasurer. Truth is, Wade keeps our books balanced and keeps us in good stead with the IRS.

I know there are others I am forgetting to thank. (It happens at the Academy Awards every year.) But, I won't forget how you all made this, my first experience as chief executive, special. Thank you all. And my best to next year's ZONC president and board.

Now, one last time, I'd like to offer this safety tip.

As I said at the top, 'tis the (holiday) season. It's a time for parties, dinners with family and friends, and travel. Just

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# ZONC 43<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS



**Saturday, December 5, 2015**

**10:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

## CACHE CREEK CASINO

14455 Hwy 16, Brooks, CA 95606

[www.cachecreek.com](http://www.cachecreek.com)

**Toy Drive! Bring a new unwrapped toy!**

**11:00 a.m. Brunch at the Harvest Buffet**

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

**Awards Presentation and Prizes!**

**Installation of Officers**

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## Gold Country

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aback by the vintage Datsuns gathered. Turns out, it was the monthly gathering of the two-year-old California chapter of "Datslocos," a group of true Datsun enthusiasts. Herman checked out the cars and then invited the group to [ZONC's GOLD COUNTRY RUN](#).

Thirty-six hours later, as [ZONC](#) members were signing-in with host, Ken Clark and his wife, Mary, a caravan of vintage Datsuns pulled into the parking lot. First came a red Datsun 1600 roadster convertible. Then seven Datsun 510

sedans in a variety of colors. Last, but not least, a Datsun 2000cc roadster. What a dramatic addition to [ZONC's](#) 10-car entourage. (Ken can usually boast owning one of the oldest Datsuns at a [ZONC](#) event. But, this time he was bested by every DATSLOCO car in attendance.)

Rafael (Geno) Guillen and his brother Sammy formed the club in 2014 after years of hosting car shows and swap meets. They currently have 30 members in the Central Valley area and more in the Bay Area. Just recently, a chapter was started



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## Gold Country

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in Oregon. So, they are growing. Interested in checking them out? They meet every last Friday of the month, rain or shine at 1223 W. Yosemite Avenue, Manteca, CA, at JACK'S PIZZA CAFÉ, 7-10 pm.

Nineteen ZONC and DATSLOCOS cars was the largest run hosted by Ken and Mary, so the choice of a reliable trailing car was a must. Herman Brown, in his fully-loaded, 2015 Nissan GT-R was a perfect choice. (Topping out at 195mph, there were no cars in the run that could get away from him.)

Armed with maps, homemade cookies and brownies, the group headed out. Less than 30 minutes down the road, it was time to stop for pictures and a second look at all the cars. The group made quite a spectacle posing 19 sports cars on the main road through SAN ANDRAES. The local sheriff

pulled over for a quick chat. I'd like to say she was "checking out our rides." But she was actually there to make sure ZONC was safe as several members crossed the highway to snap some pictures. It's always good to be safe.

Then off again to COLUMBIA STATE HISTORIC PARK. Everyone gathered for a group photo op and then they scattered to all corners of town. Where to first? "Ebber's Leather and Saddlery Emporium?" Or the "Seven Sisters Soap and Candle Company?" A stagecoach tour of the town and surrounding area was also an option. It was a quick 30 minute tour before our hunger sent the group back on the road.

They headed out of the foothills to COPPEROPOLIS and outdoor barbecue for lunch. All in all, a great run with friends, new and old.



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# More Gold Country

Photos by Bob Jenkins







## ZONC ~ The Year 2015





## President's Corner

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remember, the Z may be an awesome vehicle. But it's no smarter or more sober than the man or woman behind the wheel. Celebrate responsibly and keep an eye out on the road for those who maybe haven't. We want to see you at our runs next year. Happy Holidays,

~ Ken

**PLEASE WELCOME  
NEW ZONC MEMBER.....**

**RAFAEL GUILLEN DATSUN 510**

**HAPPY  
DECEMBER  
BIRTHDAYS**

**FREDERICK BROOKS**

**KEN CLARK**

**CHARLES MOLL**

**CHRIS MORRISON**

*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!*

**MORE GOLD COUNTRY PHOTO'S CAN BE VIEWED AT:**

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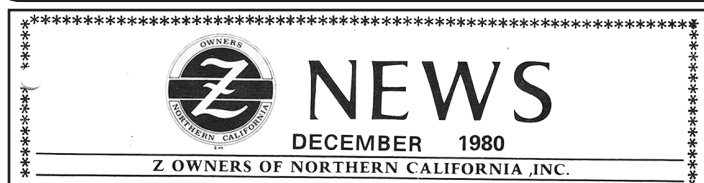
6) County: \_\_\_\_\_ 7) Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ 8) Home Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

☐ 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: \$ \_\_\_\_\_





## Thirty-Five Years Ago in ZNEWS December 1980

By Bob Jenkins

On the front page was NEWS from Datsun, Carson California, which talked about the 1981 280ZX, which was to have more power, and, a T-Top, and, a coupe, and, a four-place 2+2. There were also to be five new body colors and three new two tones offered.

A FOR X-MAS article offered a CIRCLE "Z" CHARM in two sizes ½ or 1" diameter, which came in 14 K Gold, Sterling Silver or 24K Gold Plated Sterling Silver, and you had to call for prices.

An editorial stated gas prices were over \$1.30 per gallon in most areas, but that did not stop great club turnouts for all events. It stated that the one event, which was asked for the most, was a TECH SESSION.

A Z PREZ SEZ: article reminded members to vote for the 1981 Officers and to get reservations in early for the awards banquet. He also stated the DATSUN OWNERS CLUB ASSOCIATION (DOCA) CONVENTION for 1981 would be held on the Queen Mary in Long Beach, with a cost of \$59.

*[Note, the DOCA preceded our current Z CAR CLUB ASSOCIATION (ZCCA).]*

A two page autocross article and final results talked about what to do to get your car ready for next season. It was also noted that most of the members autocrossing drove 240Zs and the writer wondered where the 280 and ZX drivers were.

There was a flyer for the TOYOTA GRAND PRIX of Long Beach the FORMULA ONE RACE, and a flyer for the ZONC ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET in January, to be held at the AMERICAN LEGION HALL in Santa Clara, with a catered buffet dinner by DEANGELO'S CATERING, with a cost between \$10 and \$12 dollars. There was also a flyer for a CHRISTMAS PARTY to be held in December, in Santa Rosa.

ZONC's membership was listed as members 486 and 102 Associates. President was Jim Warych, Vice-President was Bob Pitchford, Secretary was Renee' Feinberg, and, Treasurer was Brian Holecheck.

## ZONC EVENT CALENDAR

December

**05<sup>th</sup>** ZONC Banquet, Annual General Meeting,  
Installation of Officers & Awards ( see flyer)

January 2016

**09<sup>th</sup>** ZONC Planning Meeting in Concord  
11:00am at Elephant Bar & Grill

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