



Z NEWS

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The Official Newsletter of Z Owners of Northern California

Contra Costa

Delta Cruise

Saturday, March 12, 2016

Start Location

AUTOCOM NISSAN of CONCORD

1290 Concord Ave., Concord

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Fort Bragg Overnighter

May 21-22, 2016

Save the Date

52nd Annual Fools Rallye

Sunday, April 3, 2016

Start Location

Snoopy's Home Ice

1667 W. Steele Lane, Santa Rosa

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Gathering at Black Hawk

June 25, 2016

Save the Date

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Flying Start By Jason Green



I'd like to start this month's column by thanking everyone who responded to our recent membership survey. We received a total of 57 responses.

The survey, organized by Vice President Linda Williams, shed much-needed light on your priorities as members of the **Z OWNERS OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA**, including where and when we hold our annual car show.

Eighty-three percent of respondents favor the current location, the **BRISBANE MARINA**, but 75.9 percent also like the idea of holding the show or a "cars and coffee" type gathering at the **BLACKHAWK AUTOMOTIVE MUSEUM** in Danville, even if it means paying a \$10 fee ahead of time.

Blackhawk previously served as a venue for the annual car show and it was popular with members.

On a related note, 33.3 percent favor holding the show in August, 27.5 percent in June, 25.5 percent in September and 13.7 percent in July.

Several of you also suggested new locations for the show, including the **PRESIDIO** in San Francisco and **CLUB AUTOSPORT** in San Jose.

With these results in mind, the club is working to nail down the details for this year's show, but a gathering is planned for **June 25** at **BLACKHAWK**. Look for more details about this event in the coming months.

The survey also revealed our club has a healthy mix of old and new members. Of those who responded, 33.9 percent have been members for 10 or more years, 26.8 percent for more than a year but less than five, and 19.6 percent for less than a year. About 16 percent have been members for more than five years but less than 10, and 3.6 percent couldn't recall.

Similarly, a wide range of cars is represented, from a 1969 Datsun 510 to a 2015 Nissan 370Z NISMO.

Another highlight of the survey, for me, included a fairly strong interest in autocross events (57.7 percent in favor).

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By the time this edition of **ZNEWS** arrives in your mailbox or inbox, the board will have likely discussed the results of the survey, as well as finished planning events for the rest of the year.

Thanks for reading. See you on the road soon.



Contra Costa Delta Cruise Saturday, March 12, 2016

By Ann Devor

Are you planning on driving in the **CONTRA COSTA CRUISE** on **Saturday, March 12**? Here's what you need to know. **RESERVATIONS:** If you want a goody bag and if you want to have lunch with us at **AL'S PLACE**, you need to let me know by **March 5**.

Otherwise you are welcome to drive with us but you won't be in the count for printed directions, a picture puzzle for your passenger/navigator or a goody bag with cookies.

CONTRA COSTA AREA START: Bay Area drivers should plan on meeting at **AUTOCOM NISSAN OF CONCORD** at 1290 Concord Ave. The area start will take off at 9 a.m. and travel across the Benicia Bridge. Please have Fastrak set up in your car to make the bridge crossing as easy as possible. Otherwise, be prepared to wait in line because this bridge is notorious for not having enough toll takers. We are allowing time for everyone to catch up in Cordelia so if you don't have Fastrak, please let me know and we'll wait for you.

OFFICIAL CORDELIA START: All drivers will meet at the Chevron station at the Cordelia junction of I-80 and I-680. The Cruise will officially start from there at 10 a.m. Please have your car full of fuel and ready to go.

For those starting in Concord, there will be 117 total travel miles round trip.

FRS RADIOS: If you have an FRS radio, please bring it.

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CONTRA COSTA

Goodbye Winter, Hello Spring!

DELTA CRUISE



Presented by Z Owners of Northern California



SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 2016

9:00 Concord Area Start at Autocom Nissan of Concord, 1290 Concord Ave., Concord

9:30 Cordelia Junction Sign-In at Chevron, 4490 Central Way, Fairfield

10:00 START – DELTA CRUISE – BE READY TO ROLL!

Noon Lunch at Al's Place, 13943 Main St., Locke Historic District in Walnut Grove

CRUISE CONTINUES AFTER LUNCH RETURNING TO CONCORD

Route May Change Due to Weather

To register for Delta Cruise please send email no later than 3/5/16 to:

anndevor@gmail.com

Bring FRS radio (if you have one)



EMPIRE SPORTS CAR ASSOCIATION

presents the

52nd ANNUAL

APRIL

FOOLS



RALLYE

AN A-B RALLYE OPEN TO ALL TYPES OF CARS

DATE: SUNDAY, APRIL 3, 2016

NEW START: SNOOPY'S HOME ICE, 1667 W. STEELE LANE, SANTA ROSA - TAKE THE STEELE LANE EXIT OFF U.S. 101, ONE MILE NORTH OF DOWNTOWN SANTA ROSA. GO WEST ON STEELE. CONTINUE ONTO GUERNEVILLE. TURN RIGHT AT RANGE. TURN LEFT ON W. STEELE. TURN RIGHT INTO THE SECOND DRIVEWAY AND GO TO THE BACK OF THE PARKING LOT.

TIME: REGISTRATION 10:30AM to 12:30PM,
FIRST CAR OUT AT 11:45AM, LAST CAR OUT AT 1:00 PM

FEE: ENTRY \$18.00 PER CAR - \$.50 POKER HAND (OPTIONAL)

CLASSES: MASTER EXPERT, EXPERT, SENIOR, NOVICE, BEGINNER, FIRST TIMER

AWARDS: MASTER EXPERT CLASS, ~ AWARD ~ FIRST AND SECOND PLACE
EXPERT CLASS, ~ AWARD ~ FIRST THRU THIRD PLACE
SENIOR CLASS, ~ AWARD ~ FIRST THRU THIRD PLACE
NOVICE CLASS, ~ AWARD ~ FIRST THRU THIRD PLACE
BEGINNER CLASS, ~ AWARD ~ FIRST THRU THIRD PLACE
FIRST TIMER CLASS, ~ AWARD ~ FIRST THRU THIRD PLACE
POKER, ~ AWARD ~ \$10.00 CASH



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THE OVERALL WINNERS WILL HAVE THEIR NAMES ENGRAVED ON A LARGE PERPETUAL TROPHY

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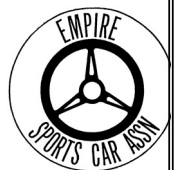


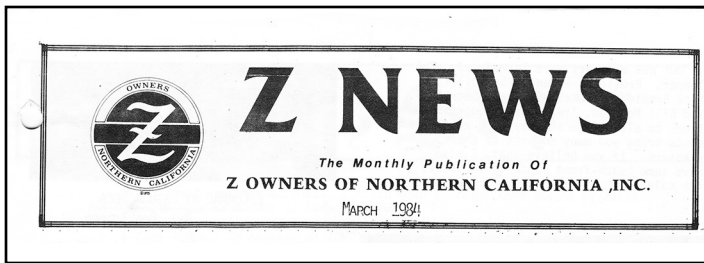
RALLYMASTER, BOB THE BEARD - FOR MORE INFORMATION
CALL (707) 546-6867 OR E-MAIL thebeard@sonic.net

THE APRIL FOOLS RALLYE WEBSITE IS: <http://www.sonic.net/~thebeard/>
You can run a practice A/B Map Rallye there.

THERE WILL BE A SHORT RALLYE SCHOOL AT 11:00 AM FOR ALL THOSE NEW TO RALLYING

A RALLYE IS NOT A SPEED EVENT. A RALLYE IS A TEST OF A TEAM'S ABILITY TO FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS ALONG THE ROUTE, WHILE LOOKING FOR SIGNS AND SITUATIONS THAT FIT THE DEFINITIONS OF THE RALLYE.





Long Ago in ZNEWS March 1984

By Bob Jenkins

On the cover and pages inside were an article about ZONC's ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET, that year held at SHENANIGANS, in JACK LONDON VILLAGE in Oakland. A 100 ZONCers attended the party and besides the good food, collected awards for ZONC's Autocross series, some great door prizes, and were introduced to the new officers President Bob Topper, Vice President Denise Scripolliti, Secretary Chris Tillman, Treasurer Bill McGowan.

A Z-CORRAL AT LAGUNA SECA article by Bob Topper invited members to the May IMSA Camel GT Races. Saturday and Sunday tickets for the corral and races were only \$14.

An APRIL FOOLS RALLY article by Bill MCGowan invited members to Empire Sports Car Associations 20th Annual April Fools Rallye, Rallymastered by 10 year ZONC member Bob Jenkins. The rally was sanctioned by the NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SPORTS CAR COUNCIL, of which ZONC was a member.

There was a 2 full page flyer for the 11th ANNUAL DRAKE'S BEACH TOUR, with starts from four areas, Alameda, Contra Costa, Santa Clara and Sonoma. Warm clothe were advised and also a kite, and in the event the weather does not cooperate they had an alternate destination, Nick's Cove, overlooking Tomales Bay.

An article told members about a two-day HEARST CASTLE RUN in April. ZONC was to meet GROUP Z at the Silver Surf Motel, where a informal auto show was to be held, and then a tour to the castle with all the Z's.

An Autocross 1984 article talked about ZONC's autocross series and which NCSCC events would count in the series, and once again ZONC would sponsor an event called ZONC-IT - TO - EM. All ZONC Series autocross events were to be held in Pleasanton.

2016 ZONC & Other Events Calendar

MARCH

03-12-2016 Contra Costa Cruise

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APRIL

04-3-2016 52nd Annual April Fools Rallye

www.sonic.net/~thebeard

TBA Z-Day California

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04-22 & 23-2016 Solvang Datsun Roadster Classic

www.solvangroadstershow.com/

04-29 to 05-1-2016 Monterey Grand Prix at Laguna

www.mazdaraceway.com/

MAY

05-14-2016 Z Bash, Anaheim Stadium, Orange, Ca

www.zcarparts.com/

05-21 & 22-2016 Ft. Bragg Overnighter

whisperzomajzl@pacbell.net

05-27 to 29-2016 Hoopa Hillclimb

www.rsccl.net/

JUNE

06-3 to 5-2016 Sonoma Historics Sonoma Raceway

www.infineonraceway.com/schedule/

06-25-2016 ZONC Gathering at Blackhawk

JULY

07-17-2016 Hillsboroug Concours

www.hillsboroughconcours.org/

AUGUST

08-2 to 6-2016 ZCON 2016 in Toronto

www.zcon.org

08-18 to 21-2016 Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion

www.mazdaraceway.com/rolex-monterey-motorsports-reunion

SEPTEMBER

09-10 to 9-11-2016 Mazda Road to Indy at Laguna

www.mazdaraceway.com/mazda-road-indy

09-16 to 9-18-2016 Go Pro Grand Prix of Sonoma

www.infineonraceway.com/schedule/

09-24-2016 Ironstone Concours in Murphy, CA

www.ironstonefoundation.org/

OCTOBER

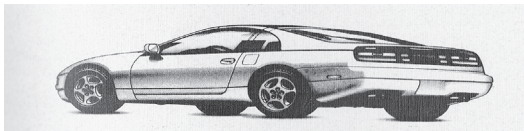
10-7 to 9-2016 Pirelli World Challenge at Laguna

www.mazdaraceway.com/pirelli-world-challenge

Your ZONC Membership Number

In case you wondered what your ZONC membership number meant, well here is the lowdown. From 1973 through 1976 the last three numbers indicate when you joined ZONC. From 1977 on, the last three numbers indicate when joined that year. For example, #74222 means you were the 222th person to have joined ZONC, where as #77222 means that you were the 222th person to join in 1977.

The first two numbers of your membership number are the last two numbers of the year you joined, so in 2073 we are going to have to change something.



MotorSportsAuto – Z Bash

Saturday, May 14, 2016

We have just received news that the **MOTORSPORTAUTO'S Z BASH 2016** will be on **Saturday, May 14th** and the new location will be the **ANAHEIM STADIUM**, which is about two blocks from their shop in Orange California.

In addition to Z's, they are inviting clubs for 510s, Roadsters, Skylines, and GTRs to display to add a little interest.

The show awards will be for Z cars only.

In addition, they will have events on Friday and Sunday. Their Facebook page for the show will be up in about a week. Meanwhile, the basic info has been posted on their website. www.thezstore.com/page/TZS/CTGY/WCN

Please call Greg Smith. or email him, if you have any questions .

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Bob Jenkins' 240z - as beautiful today as 46 years ago!

Value of 240z

by Bob Jenkins

A recent article was on-line at Hagerty.com. And it may be good news or maybe it is not. It seems that the prices on the 1970-73 Datsun 240Z the article noted was moving up.

This is of course good news for sellers, but not so much for people who want to buy an early 240Z.

The article stated there were only 170,000 240Z's produced and suggested that the supply of good cheap 240's was soon to dry up. We shall see.

I'm just glad that I bought mine in 1970 at a reasonable price. I might have a hard time either finding one today or justifying the increased cost for a 45 year old car.

On second thought, maybe I should have gotten two of them! But, I know that I need to increase my insurance on the Z based on the increased value of them.

And, yes, in case you're wondering - I am the original owner of this beauty!



April Fools Charity Rallye

Sunday, April 3, 2016

By Bob the Beard Jenkins

On Sunday, **April 3, 2016** Empire Sports Car Association will present its **52nd ANNUAL APRIL FOOLS RALLYE**, starting from SNOOPY'S HOME ICE, 1667 W. Steele Lane, in Santa Rosa. This year's is about 35 miles long and will be in the Sebastopol and Graton areas of Sonoma County and the finish will be at the Round Table Pizza Parlor on Marlow Road in Santa Rosa.

ZONC's ZNEWS editor Bob Jenkins will return for his 51st time as the Rallymaster of this event.

Registration is from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm in the start parking lot.

There is a Beginners rallye school at 11:00am in the start parking lot shortly after registration opens, so try and get there for the school, it is a big help.

There are awards in 6 classes from MASTER EXPERT to FIRST TIMER, and the first 40 cars to enter will receive a dash plaque.

The rallye will be the usual A/B Gimmick beginner type fun event with all the profits going to CANINE COMPANIONS FOR INDEPENDENCE.

The rallye has a website and you can run a practice A/B Map Rallye there. The website is:

www.sonic.net/~thebeard/index.html

For more information, please email Bob at:

thebeard@sonic.net or call him at (707) 546-6867



Contra Costa Delta Cruise

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We'll be able to alert you about upcoming turns in the route, road hazards and police cars. And a little bit of road chatter makes the trip more fun!

LUNCH: We will have a no-host lunch at AL'S PLACE, 13943 Main St. in the LOCKE HISTORIC DISTRICT OF WALNUT GROVE. If AL'S PLACE does not appeal to you – and it may not – there is an ice cream parlor with snacks further down Main St.

RETURN TRIP: The return route will offer plenty of opportunities for folks to return to Sacramento via I-5 or to other north counties via I-80 and connecting highways. Bay Area drivers are encouraged to return south with us via the Antioch Bridge (no toll) and back to I-680 south.

RSVP: Please send your request for reservations to anndevor@gmail.com and remember to let me know if you will have a passenger/navigator with you.

See you soon for a day of happy driving!

AUTOCROSS

By Bob Jenkins

In the **ZONC** survey that Linda Williams sent out several people asked about autocrossing, so here is some information. In the 70' and 80' **ZONC** did a lot of autocrossing and put on several events using other peoples equipment at the PLEASANTON FAIRGROUNDS. However, Pleasanton found they could make more money with flea markets than with autocrosses and autocrossing in the bay area pretty much dried up. Now the main autocross site is the MARINA AIRPORT, where the SCCA, the BMW Club, the Porsche Clubs, and several more hold an event almost every weekend. Check out these sites for events and information.

www.sfrscca.org/content/view/8893/185/

www.ggcbmwcca.org/venue/marina-municipal-airport/

The ZNews would be very happy to print photos and articles about any **ZONCers** who are participating in autocrosses. Send your photos and articles to the ZNews editor, at

thebeard@sonic.net

Needed: Area Representatives

We are looking for Area Representatives for **North Valley, Placer, and Sacramento** Areas. It is a fun way to meet other ZONCers in your Area. If your Area is not listed and you want to be the Area Representative for it, please let us know.

Please contact your favorite Board Member if you're interested.



ZCON 2016 TORONTO August 2-6, 2016

Registration now open at zcon.org

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Jim Bone Nissan	www.jimbonenissan.com	1275 Santa Rosa Ave., CA 95404	1-707-545-7050
Motorsport Auto	www.thezstore.com	1139 W. Collins Ave., Orange, CA 92867	1-800-633-6331
Rock Auto	www.rockauto.com	online out of Madison, WI	1-608-661-1376
Z Car Garage	www.zcargarage.com	140 Archer St., San Jose, CA 95112	1-408-452-0300
Vallejo Nissan	www.vallejonissan.com	3287 Sonoma Blvd., Vallejo, Ca 94590	1-707-674-5771

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!

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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 (_____) _____

DO NOT send electronic communications in the form of e-mails to me.

DO NOT include my phone # in the Membership Roster-Z-Registry.

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: \$ _____

**ZONC Invited to a Route 66 Adventure
September-October**

David Witt of the SACRAMENTO DATSUN GROUP is planning a **Route 66** adventure and is inviting fellow Datsun Owners to join him for all or part.

He will be traveling the entire **Route 66** from Chicago to Santa Monica, following the old highway as much as is practical.

He will be leaving Chicago on **September 21**, stopping in Williams AZ for the **MULTI STATE DATSUN CLASSIC** on Saturday, **October 1**, then continuing on to Santa Monica, ending on Tuesday, **Oct. 4**.

If you are interested in joining him for all or part of the trip, just let him know. He has a tentative itinerary for the trip, so if you are interested just send him an email.

David Witt dsw4@sbcglobal.net

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1/4 Page	\$25	\$125	\$200
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Update Your Contact Information

This is a reminder to send the ZONC membership database an update when your contact information changes. To do this, just send the Data Base Manager, Bob Jenkins, an email at thebeard@sonic.net listing your new contact information. Your contact information for ZONC includes, your address, phone number and email address. We like to stay current. Thank you.



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(include membership # with ad)

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thebeard@sonic.net

Ads run for two months
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Please include your complete address with ad.

**DEADLINE: is the 15th of the month,
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