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photo's by Jason Green



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Flying Start

By Jason Green



After weeks of unrelenting rain, the clouds finally parted and the sun shone down as the **Z Owners of Northern California** opened the year in true form with a well-attended run to the CALIFORNIA AUTOMOBILE MUSEUM in Sacramento.

It was a fantastic feeling to be back on the road in the **Z**, which has sat more or less unused in the garage since the start of the rainy season.

On that first real run of the year, I had my brother, Brian, with me as my copilot and plenty of good company in the form of fellow members of **ZONC** and friends from DATSLOCOS.

If you haven't been, the CALIFORNIA AUTOMOBILE MUSEUM is worth the drive and chockfull of interesting cars, including a 1913 Ford Model T Touring you can actually climb behind the wheel of (but not drive). Another exhibit that caught my eye featured a 1978 Kawasaki KZ1000 (made famous by the "CHiPS" TV show) flanked by a 1985 Ferrari 308 GTS and a 1987 Lamborghini Countach. For us Datsun and Nissan enthusiasts, the museum has a 1972 240Z, which was partially covered in plastic wrap during our visit, though I didn't catch why.

Look for a full write-up about the event on page [8](#).

I'd like to thank Ann Devor for organizing the run to the museum, as well as DATSLOCOS for joining us.

The event was the first of several **ZONC** intends to hold in the Sacramento area this year.

Z-DAY CALIFORNIA also happened in March. I had hoped to attend but ultimately wasn't able to because of family obligations. Based on reports I've read, the event was a success. You'll have to wait for the May **ZNews** for more on **ZONC**'s participation in the event.

We're just getting started. The APRIL FOOL'S RALLYE is around the corner on **April 2nd** (see flier on page [3](#)), as is a run to the Copernicus Peak lookout tower in Santa Clara County on **April 9th** (for more information, contact Andrea Ivan at triswmbkrn@aol.com) (see flier on page [4](#)).

Thanks for reading. See you on the road soon.

PLEASE WELCOME NEW **ZONC** MEMBERS

MIKE CRAMER
JOHN TODA
OSCAR LEMUS

280Z
ROADSTER
510



California Auto Musuem photo by Jason Green

ZCON-Update

Yoshihiko Matsuo, designer of the 240Z under Mr. K. will be in attendance. Matsuo-san and Mr. K. spearheaded the movement that brought us the original Z.

Toshio Yamashita, designer of the 300ZX will also be joining us. Yama-san has given some amazing presentations in the past years regarding the development of the timeless 300ZX Z32.

We are honored to have both of them join us this year!

Profiles Wanted

Let your fellow **ZONCERS** get to know you better!

Your **ZNEWS** is starting up the member profile again and asking all members who would like to write a short profile about themselves and their car(s).

You can write about the things you have done to your car, the **ZONC** events you like to attend, when you joined **ZONC**, or your hobbies other than **ZONC**.

Please hold your article to no more than one page.

Also include a picture of yourself and your car and send to the **ZNEWS** editor at thebeard@sonic.net.

EMPIRE

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*presents the***53rd ANNUAL****APRIL****FOOLS****RALLYE****AN A-B RALLYE OPEN TO ALL TYPES OF CARS****DATE:** SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2017

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
A PARTICIPATION PLAQUE TO FIRST 40 CARS
THE OVERALL WINNERS WILL HAVE THEIR NAMES ENGRAVED ON A LARGE PERPETUAL TROPHY
THE PROFITS FROM THIS RALLYE WILL GO TO CHARITY:
Canine Companions for Independence®



FINISH: ROUND TABLE PIZZA, 1791 MARLOW RD. IN SANTA ROSA



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.





Z Owners of Northern California



Mines Road – Patterson Spring Run



Sunday, April 9, 2017

Meet at 9:30 a.m. at Casse-Croûte Bakery
50 S. Livermore Ave., Livermore, CA 94550
(parking next door and across the street)

Lunch & meeting at The Junction Bar and Grill
thejunctionbarandgrill.com



Return via Patterson to Livermore

For More Information, Please Contact Andrea Ivan
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Presented by Z Owners of Northern California



BLACKHAWK

Gathering of Zs, Roadsters, 510s, GTRs, and G Coupes at Blackhawk Museum, Danville, CA.

Display of oldest Datsuns to newest Nissans will be featured on Museum Plaza.

Z Gathering

Museum Admission \$9

Sat., May 20, 2017

9 AM - 2 PM

Pre-Register by May 10, 2017

Payable in advance at www.ZONC.org
or mail to:

ZONC
21001 San Ramon Valley Blvd.
Ste. A4, Box 184
San Ramon, CA 94583

A promotional poster for ZCON 2017 in Austin, TX. The background is a vibrant blue and white checkered pattern. In the center, a large white five-pointed star is superimposed over a collection of white classic cars, including a Ford Mustang, a Chevrolet Camaro, and a Ford F150. The text 'ZCON 2017 AUSTIN, TX' is written in a large, bold, black font. Below this, 'HOSTED BY' is written in a smaller font, followed by 'CAPITAL Z OF TEXAS' in a large, bold, black font. At the bottom, the dates 'June 20 - 24, 2017' are written in a large, bold, black font. The website addresses 'zcon.org' and 'czot.org' are listed at the bottom right.

ZCON
2017 AUSTIN, TX
HOSTED BY
CAPITAL
Z OF TEXAS
June 20 - 24, 2017
zcon.org | czot.org

A promotional poster for the Datslocos 13th Annual Carshow/Swapmeet. The background is a photograph of a car show with various cars parked on a grassy field. The text 'Datslocos' is written in a large, bold, white font at the top. Below it, '13th Annual Carshow/Swapmeet' is written in a smaller font. The event details are listed on the left: 'Free admission', '\$10 Per Car', '\$20 Per Vendor Spot', '934 Perimeter Drive', and 'Manteca, CA 95337'. The date and time are listed on the right: 'May 27th 2017' and '8am - 4pm'.

Datslocos
13th Annual Carshow/Swapmeet
Free admission
\$10 Per Car
\$20 Per Vendor Spot
934 Perimeter Drive
Manteca, CA 95337
May 27th 2017
8am - 4pm



DATSLOCOS Tour to Walnut Creek

by Linda Williams

ZONC members were invited to join Datslocos on their Walnut Creek Fun Run on Sunday, Feb 26th. After many days of rain and ugly weather, the sun came out and the run was set to go. The run originated at the Valero Gas Station in Stockton at 9 AM and headed for the Valero Gas Station in Walnut Creek, planning on a 10:30 arrival. Approximately 25 cars converged at the Whole Foods Market parking lot with lots of onlookers. After a lengthy visit, we were off and running to Castro Valley. We managed to get onto Hwy 680, over to Hwy 24, through the tunnel (very LOUD with all of us inside and of course no one revved their engines, not). Heading through the Oakland hills and eventually picking up Redwood Road and ending at BLVD Burger and Grill in Castro Valley. We parked in the CVS parking lot across the



street and had a great showing of cars. The burgers were great and definitely worth the drive as well as the new friends that we met. After lunch and some visiting, groups left for the drive home. There were only a couple of minor incidents.... Jim's throttle cable broke so he had to be towed back home to Walnut Creek (not too far) and Linda lost her brake lights on the 240Z (not sure what happened there). The roads were pretty good considering all the rain we had received the previous weeks. There were some minor rockslides and a few potholes, but nothing major.

Thank you Datslocos for inviting us to join your group for this run. You know you are always welcome to join our outings also!

Safe travels to everyone and looking forward to seeing you all at some of the events we have planned for this year.





History of Autos at the California Auto Museum

Article by Ann Devor & Photo's by Mary Rozmajzi

The sun shone brightly as we started our first event of 2017 and went indoors to see automobile history on display at the California Automobile Museum in Sacramento. Not knowing whether the historic deluge of 2016-2017 would continue into March, the [ZONC](#) team hedged bets by scheduling an indoor event rather than an outdoor run. But we hit the 'beautiful day' jackpot as we met other Datsun/Nissan drivers along the way and arrived at the Museum with time to pop the hoods and meet-n-greet in the parking lot.

Our crowd exceeded my most hopeful estimate of attendance and admittedly I lost track of how many of us and how many cars were there. At last count 28 people attended in addition to other guests who heard about the event. Scheduled originally for one docent (Norm), the Museum found another (Ed), so we could split our group and have the opportunity to ask questions about the fantastic cars on display.

The exhibit began with some of the very earliest cars, many of whose names have disappeared into history. Our docent

told fascinating stories about many of them, including the rise of the various early Ford models, the Dodge brothers' early demise, and the invention of electric ignition and interchangeable parts by Cadillac. Of particular interest to me was Phil's Garage, a working restoration and repair shop run by volunteers who maintain the Museum's historic autos on site.

After the tour, we gathered together in Vic's Ice Cream parlor for snacks and ice cream. President Jason Green held a short meeting and we planned more events for later this spring and summer per requests of the members. Vice



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Word From Way North.

By Clark Fenton

Long time **ZONC** member Clark Fenton, who lives up in Eureka, in Humboldt County, sends word that his 1973 240Z, which he calls Zelda, had the odometer roll over 100K for the 3rd time since he bought the car in 1992. He says Zelda has at least 400K miles. He collects all those miles from road trips to South Lake Tahoe and Grants Pass about once a month from Humboldt.

He said he hopes to make it down to a **ZONC** event this year and sent along a couple of pictures of Zelda.



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, **Ann Devor** an email at anndevor@gmail.com listing your new contact information. Your contact information for **ZONC** includes, your address, phone number and email address. Thank you.

California Auto Museum

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President Linda Williams held a raffle of gifts assisted by Rafael Jr. and Emi Guillen who did an excellent job picking winning tickets. All in all, everyone had a great time! And afterward the DatsLocos drivers and others continued the car party by going to Al the Wop's in Locke to eat.

Many thanks to **ZONC**ers in attendance – Ruff and Lois Apperson (350Z), Ken Clark and Mary Rozmajzl (240Z), Jeff Erickson (Z31), Paul Gommel (350Z), Jason and brother Brian Green (370Z), Geno Guillen and family (510), Paul and Diane Harpainter (280Z), Jim Johnson (240Z), Mike and Susan Keller (350Z), Oscar Lemos (510), Mark and Laurie Loustau (240Z), Kathy Maggard (350Z), Keith Rowland (280Z work in progress), John and Mary Vogel (350Z), Linda Williams (280Z), and guests Nick Hall (510), Keogh Jesion (521 pickup), Brian Lee (510), Frank Magnotta (280ZX) and Jason Townsend (510).





The Classic Motor Rally To Timberline Lodge

June 24-25, 2017

Like to drive that classic car of yours and meet up with other like-minded people, then this maybe the event for you. Pre-1981 collector cars only on this traditional time-speed-distance rally in the Pacific Northwest. For information check the web site below.

Class Motor Rally



**HAPPY
APRIL
BIRTHDAYS**

**Joe Armstead
Matt Gardella
Gary J. Kerchner
Ray Raible**

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does not have your month of birth.
And you're wished a Happy Birthday!*

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2017 Auto Event Dates

- 4-2 53rd April Fools Rallye in Santa Rosa *see page 3*
sonic.net/~thebeard/
- 4-9.....Mines Road - Patterson Spring Run *see page 4*
triswmbkrn@aol.com
- 4-7-9 Long Beach Grand Prix
gplb.com/
- 4-30 Pacific Coast Dream Machines Show
dreammachines.miramarevents.com
- May TBA Z BASH 2017
zcarparts.com/show/
- 5-20 ZONC Blackhawk Meet & Greet *see page 5*
<http://www.zonc.org/>
- 5-27 Datslocos 13th Carshow/Swapmeet, Manteca
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- 6-02-04 Sonoma Historic Motorsports Festival
sonomaraceway.com/events/sonoma-historic-motorsports-festival/
- 6-20-24 ZCONC Convention - *see page 6*
- 6-23-25 NASCAR (Toyota) at Sonoma Raceway
www.sonomaraceway.com/events/toyota-save-mart-350/
- 7-13-15 Mt. Shasta 33rd Annual Datsun Meet
mtshastaroadstermeet.311s.org/
- 7-21-23 Hoopa Hillclimb
rscc.net
- 8-11-18 Booneville Speed Week
scta-bni.org
- 8-12-13 Monterey Pre-Reunion
whatsupmonterey.com/events/monterey-car-week
- 8-17-20 Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion
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- 9-21-24 Continental Monterey Grand Prix
mazdaraceway.com/continental-tire-monterey-grand-prix
- 9-15-17 GoPro Grand Prix of Sonoma Raceway
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