



Z NEWS

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ZONC Supports Fire Relief

By Ann Devor

As you know by now **ZONC** cancelled its birthday party picnic on Oct. 14 because of massive northern California wildfires that affected so many of us. Some club members in the Napa and Sonoma areas had to evacuate and leave their homes. Some packed up and waited for the call to leave. Others from Mendocino to Gilroy had to stay inside because of the smoke. As of the writing of this story, we believe that everyone is safe, but there are still worries about whether all of our homes survived. And we wonder how some of our communities will go forward to rebuild. **ZONC** recognizes that it will be a tough struggle and in an effort to help, we made a \$500 contribution to the Redwood Credit Union Community Fund for North Bay Fire Relief, with promised matching funds from Hall Wines in the Napa Valley for a total \$1,000 donation. Many of you voiced your support for the picnic cancellation and charity donation. Here are some of your messages:

"Sadly, I think that was a good decision. We're still home with power, but no gas. Bags are packed by door. ...It's such a scary situation!" – Marci and Bob J.

"I'm so sorry so many members are being affected. I'll miss seeing everyone, but it's more important everyone stays out of harm's way." – Bill R.

"Good call!" – Frank B.

"Thank you for letting us know. I totally understand and agree, but at least the Z is all washed and detailed for some local driving! That was the big project today. Ratz!! See you guys at some point!!" – Kerry K.

"This is certainly the right thing to do. I really like the idea of sending to money **ZONC** would have spent to Red Cross." – Marshall A.

"Thank you for letting us know. So sorry to hear about the people that have been affected due to these wildfires." – Geno G.

"Free room and board if you need it. Have 2 guest rooms." – Andy W.

"We actually weren't planning on going because of the bad air due to the wildfires. And I assumed it would be cancelled because of it too. I seriously think it should ..." – Christy N.

"Yes, we should donate to the fire victims." – Andrea I.

Thank you **ZONC**ers for all of your messages of support! You are what makes us the best sports car club in northern California!

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Flying Start By Jason Green



As I write this, firefighters are close to fully containing several devastating wildfires that broke out Oct. 8 and Oct. 9 in the North Bay. The death toll stands at 42 and thousands of homes have been destroyed.

Several members of **ZONC** were impacted by the fires.

David and Donna Moody, who live in Redwood Valley, were forced to leave behind all four of their Zs when they were evacuated. Fortunately, the flames stopped half a mile from their house.

In hard-hit Santa Rosa, Bob and Marci Jenkins packed up their cars and were ready to leave at a moment's notice. They never had to, luckily, but they spent some time without electricity and gas as the Tubbs Fire raged nearby. Not so lucky was James Johnson, who had to leave his southeast Santa Rosa home but was able to quickly return. Taking precautions in Windsor, Karen and Peter Iozzia left the very smoky area for a short stay by the bay.

The club, as a whole, also was impacted by the fires. Poor air quality from all the smoke in the atmosphere forced the club to cancel its annual picnic.

However, the club's board of directors opted to donate the money it otherwise would have spent on the picnic -- about \$500 -- to the Redwood Credit Union Community Fund, which matches donations dollar for dollar. The funds will help individuals impacted by the fires.

Changing gears, the year is winding down and one of our final events -- the **ZONC** Holiday Banquet -- is just around the corner. The event is scheduled to take place Saturday, Dec. 9, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Stars Recreation Center in Vacaville (see page [3](#) for more information). We hope to see you there.

Also, it's never too soon to start planning for next year. Got an idea for a run, event or other car-related activity? Share it! Feel free to email me at jgreen_writer@yahoo.com and I'll be sure to pass it on to the board as we gear up for 2018.

Thanks for reading. See you on the road soon.



Long Ago in ZNEWS November 1985

By Bob Jenkins

A great MAMMOTH STRIKES BACK! article by B. Worden talked about a 4 Z car and three other type vehicles including the Atkinson's in a motor home that spent the Labor Day weekend in INYO NATIONAL FOREST. There was camping and relaxing in the hot springs, and other fun and games. The article was two pages long and a third page full of pictures.

A GEE's SPOT article by the editor Ray Gee talked about Little Richard getting hurt when he drove his 300ZX into a telephone pole, and the death of Jim Cook, who died while racing at SEARS POINT.

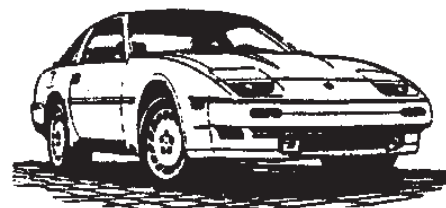
The personality profile for the month was Jack & Yolanda Atkinson of San Bruno and their Z BAIT Z car that was based on a 1971 240Z.

There was a flyer for a 9-day tour to the MARDI GRAS in New Orleans, which was open to all Z Clubs in the areas that were to be traveled through and the leader was Virgil Caceres of Suisun.

A NEW **ZONC** CB HANDLE article by Jack Atkinson talked about how BIRDBAIT came to be, when he took his motor home on the MAMMOTH camping tour. Sorry, but you will have to ask Jack for the answer.

A rallye flyer for an event presented by THE RALLYE CLUB and Z OWNERS OF NO. CAL., called MAD MAX BEYOND THE RALLYEDOME, a NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SPORTS CAR COUNCIL (NCSCC) Championship event, starting in Mt. View.

The 1985 officers were President was Robert Topper, Vice-President was John Condon, Secretary was Bonnie Loera, and Treasurer was Bill McGowan



ZONC HOLIDAY BANQUET

Saturday, December 9, 2017

11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

STARS RECREATION CENTER
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Take I-80 West to Exit 55 E. Monte
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Free for Members and Associates! \$10 for Guests

RSVP to anndevor@gmail.com

Pay for guests at the Party OR
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We must receive your RSVP by 12/2/17



Ann Devor <anndevor@gmail.com>

Fw: Thank you for your donation to the Redwood Credit Union Community Fund!

Linda Williams <montanagrl@sbcglobal.net>
Reply-To: Linda Williams <montanagrl@sbcglobal.net>
To: Ann Devor <anndevor@gmail.com>

Sat, Oct 14, 2017 at 11:27 AM

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: Redwood Credit Union Community Fund <noreply+e736ded674097d2a@formstack.com>**To:** VP@ZONC.org**Sent:** Saturday, October 14, 2017 11:21 AM**Subject:** Thank you for your donation to the Redwood Credit Union Community Fund!

Dear Linda Williams,

Thank you for your donation of \$500.00 to the Redwood Credit Union Community Fund from . Your organization's donation has helped us raise over \$2.5 million to help our community since 2015 and 100% of your donation will go towards our North Bay Fire Relief campaign.

The Redwood Credit Union Community Fund, Inc. (RCUCF) is an IRS exempt organization recognized under section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code, Tax ID #47-5084832. All donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law. No goods or services were provided to you by RCUCF in exchange for your contribution.

On behalf of the RCUCF Board of Directors, and from all of us at Redwood Credit Union, we would like to extend a heartfelt thank you for supporting our community.

Best regards,

Brett Martinez
President & CEO
Redwood Credit Union

Cynthia Negri
President
Redwood Credit Union Community Fund, Inc.

**PLEASE WELCOME
NEW ZONC MEMBER**

Michael Jue 240Z

**SAVE THE DATE
Special Datsun/Nissan Event
Saturday, April 7, 2018**

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



Marin/Sonoma Tour

By Bob Jenkins

Learning that 7500 bicycles were going to use the same roads that the tour was, made me change the route from a Sonoma Coast Tour with brunch in Occidental to a Marin Coast Tour with a picnic at Drakes Beach.

Marci and I arrived at the Petaluma Marina start a little early, but soon Zs from all over [ZONC's](#) area began to arrive to make a very colorful group. There was Ruffin & Lois Apperson in a light blue non-Z, Aaron & Regina Green in their copper brown 240Z, Ken Clark & Mary Rozmajzl in their red 240Z, Linda Williams in her orange 240Z, Chuck Moll & Jaye Calhoun in his silver 280Z, Andrea Ivan in her burgundy 300ZX, Peter & Karen Iozzia in their black 350Z convertible, Mike & Susan Keller in their white 350Z

convertible, and tour leaders Marci & Bob Jenkins in their orange 350Z. Ken "Cookie Man" Clark passed out his famous cookies and we were off.

The tour headed out D Street by the classic homes in Petaluma and then made a stop at the Marin Cheese Factory where most everyone got some thing for lunch. Then after



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some nice up and down country roads we arrived at Point Reyes Station where they were having a farmer's market on the main street, but we did not stop and turned on Sir Francis Drake Blvd and were soon into the Point Reyes National Seashore Park.

Drakes Beach has a large parking lot and easily held all our Zs. Lunch was a casual affair with people eating on benches the beach and checking out the information building.

After lunch we headed back to KPH Radio the oldest radio station on the west coast, for pictures on their tree lined road and then through Point Reyes Station and turned in at the Heidrun Meadery, where they make honey Champagne, but they were hosting a wedding, so we headed on up Highway One. There were colorful sailboats on Tomales Bay and very nice weather, plus very few bicycles on the roads and we were soon in the town of Tomales, where we made our final stop before heading our separate ways home.



See more pictures at:

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/vXsaHutXsUo5Gyfw2>





Datslocos Show N Shine & Swapmeet

By Mary Rozmajzl

The Datslocos California hosted its second “Show N Shine & Swapmeet” of 2017, October 7, in Manteca, CA. **ZONC** member and Datslocos president, Gino, said it was pulled together after the great success of their annual “Show N Shine & Swapmeet,” May 27. Over 280 Datsuns showed up back then overflowing the event parking lot.

So those not able to attend were given a second chance to show off their rides and spend the day talking “Datsuns.”

Gino loves talking Datsuns, driving Datsuns, repairing and modifying Datsuns. That’s why he started the “Show N Shine & Swapmeet” 13 years ago with 25 in the cul de sac in front of his home. In no time, the cars were filling nearby cul de sacs as well.

ZONC was represented by ‘70’s vintage owners, Aaron Green 240z and Ken Clark 240. For Ken, it was a relaxing, uneventful trip down from Vacaville. Aaron’s story was a “bit” different.

“I was driving to the show when a loud bang came from under the hood. But, the car was still running and seemed fine so I kept going,” Aaron said. The only visual indication

of a problem was the incredibly high charge cycle on his dash gauge.

When Aaron opened the hood at the car show, the “big bang” mystery was solved. The fill caps on the battery were missing, battery acid chambers were dry and the battery was bulging. Ken surmised the alternator somehow overcharged the battery, boiling the battery acid. Aaron had recently installed new voltage regulator, but it may be defective.

Trusting his ride, Aaron drove home after the show without changing the battery. Good news... he made it. (The only problem was the sulphur smell of the battery acid from the engine compartment.) Now comes the hard part... tracking down the root of the problem.

As for the 65+ other cars at the show, there were 510 convertible’s, Roadster 2000’s, early vintage Z’s, pickups, 510 station wagons, 510 sedans and station wagons with Wenkel engines installed and 350Z’s.

A pair of best friends turned the love of Datsuns (specifically 70’s era Z’s) into a family affair. First came Adam Flippo’s 1972 240Z, which, by the way, he personally converted to a right-hand drive. “Z’s,” he said, “are from Japan. They’re supposed to be right-hand drive.”

Adam’s best friend, Beau Bankson, then picked up his Z. Then came Adam’s mom’s, Ben’s dad’s, Ben’s sister’s. And the story continues with other members of both families.

Gino definitely spoke for these enthusiasts and everyone else at the show. “Datsuns forever. First, family... then Datsuns. Admire them, talk about them, repair and modify them. And drive them. Always drive them, til the day I die.”





HAPPY NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

YOLANDA ATKINSON

SAMUEL HENDERSON

DEBORAH HOGUE-PETTUS

MARCI JENKINS

LOUIS MENENDEZ

RICK POST

RICHARD SHEA

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JOHN VOGEL

*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!*



Santos Family Car Show

By Linda Williams

Sept 2nd I made a trip over to the 12TH ANNUAL SANTOS FAMILY CAR SHOW in Alviso. The weather was supposed to hit about 105° and the annual temperature for that day is usually about 85°. A hot weather streak had hit the San Jose area from Thursday - Monday with a few temps up to 108° mark. Needless to say, the turnout (usually between 500-600 cars) was not as large as it usually is. I would guess there were probably half the number of cars attended, but it was a lively group! It was scheduled from 7 a.m. till 3 p.m. and they had the final raffle about 1 p.m.

As you can see from the pics, there were a large variety of cars to see, food trucks to enjoy, music provided by a DJ, cash and item raffles, and lots of very friendly people wandering the streets of Alviso.

Maybe next year we can plan on a group of **ZONC** cars to let everyone know that Datsun/Nissans are around and we love our cars.



Virtual Track Walk

by Marci Jenkins

speedsecrets.com/virtual-track-walks

I received this information from Ross Bentley. Peter Krause and Ross of SPEED SECRETS, have put together virtual track walk videos available for purchase of the following circuits: ♦ Indy Road Course ♦ Road America
♦ Mazda Raceway at Laguna Seca ♦ Road Atlanta
♦ Sonoma Raceway ♦ Watkins Glen

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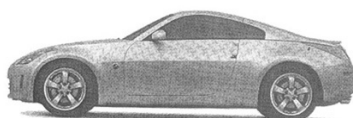
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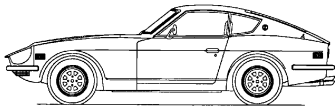
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"Buy it now" price is **\$10,000**. Other strong offers will be considered. Located in Rodeo.

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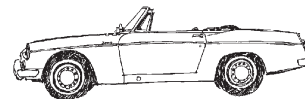
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