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Z-Gathering and Blackhawk Speaker Series with Peter Brock

Article by Linda Williams, Photo's by Jason Green

The day started looking a little gloomy with it raining in some areas and just sprinkling in others. My drive over the Sunol Grade seemed like I was up in the rain cloud and getting pretty wet. As I drove towards Danville and the Blackhawk Museum, the showers seemed to let up and there was hope in the air for a great day to come. After setting up the pop-up tents for cover, Rob Fuller and I headed up to the plaza to discuss the positioning of the cars for the plaza, and the rain had finally stopped. Since all the cars that were originally supposed to arrive by 8AM hadn't arrived, we had

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Datslocos 14th Annual Car Show
Saturday, May 19, 2018

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Pescadero Fun Run
Saturday, June 9, 2018

Save the Date Leader Andrea Ivan vpa@zonc.org

Cheese Tour at Nicolau Farms
Sunday, July 8, 2018

ZONC's Annual
Car Show
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On Z

Road Again

By Linda Williams



Wow, what a month for **ZONC**! April came in like a lion with everyone getting ready for our Z-Gathering on April 7th at the Blackhawk Auto Museum, joining Mr. Peter Brock from BRE (Brock Racing Enterprises). The days leading up to the event were challenging with the weather looking like we might be rained out, well knowing that the event would not be cancelled at the museum. What were we going to do?? Well, since it was totally out of our hands, all we could do was pray and ask for everyone to do some 'Sun Dances' to keep the rain away. Someone must have listened because when we arrived at 7AM, it was barely drizzling and by 8AM it had stopped. A big thank you to the **ZONC** members that came early to help with the set up and parking on the plaza. It was a very memorable day for our club! You can read about the event and see the pictures in the additional article.

Our annual car show will be on July 28th at the Brisbane Marina. We have begun the task of contacting vendors, filling out forms, arranging for parking and all the other tasks that need to be accomplished before this event can take place. We are hoping for a larger attendance figure with the very positive responses we received from Blackhawk attendees.

And of course, Ann is working her tail off getting the information and registrations all organized for the Monterey Motorsports Show in August at Laguna Seca Raceway. If you can offer to assist us in the car corral, we would really appreciate it. It takes a lot of people to pull this off without a lot of problems. Also, remember to go online at www.ZONC.ORG and purchase your discounted general admission tickets, car corral pass and the parade lap ticket. We have already registered a lot of people with very positive feedback.

Thanks everyone for your support and we're hoping to have someone kindly volunteer to do some fun runs as the weather gets better. We still need the rain but the sunshine is always so nice to see and feel the warmth again.

Safe travels to you all.

Please Welcome New Members.....

Kenyon Stewart	240Z
Kim Townsend	510
Robert Phillips	240Z
Brian Berry	240Z
Joyce Pfiel	280Z

HAPPY MAY BIRTHDAYS

Dustin Borg
Ann Devor
Andrea Ivan
Scott Lynn
Bill Roth
Kenyon Stewart
Thomas Wilson

*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!*

*ZONC Meeting *

Sunday, June 3, 2018

Fuddrucker's Burgers
1940 N. Main St., Walnut Creek
11:00 AM

Please RSVP to Ann Devor
 by **5-31-18** at
anndevor@gmail.com

Z-Gathering and Blackhawk

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to choose some additional vehicles from the lower lot to fill the vacancies. Needless to say, we had a lot of volunteers to fill those spots. With the help of one of the Blackhawk docent and several **ZONC** members, we managed to position about 30 cars up on the plaza.

About 9AM, Peter and Gayle were spotted strolling towards the plaza and were greeted by several fans. He strolled through the cars on the upper plaza and then headed down to the lower lot, spending time with each and every person that he encountered. He seemed to enjoy all of the stories

shared by each car owner about how they acquired the car and all of the work that they had accomplished on their pride and joy. Peter graciously and patiently took several pictures with the attendees, smiling through it all.

At 10:30, Tim McGrane (Blackhawk Museum) welcomed all the guests and introduced Peter to the group. There was a very warm round of applause and he seemed very pleased. He stated, he had always wanted to speak about the Japanese Racing History and now he was going to share his story. For the next 2 hours, Peter shared many personal stories,



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introduced a couple people in the audience and gave a special welcome to Mr. K's personal assistant, Ms. Johnnie Gable, who worked with Mr. K for about 35 years. She was also the proud recipient of Mr. K's 240Z when he passed away a few years ago. She was a joy to chat with and hopefully will join us in Monterey. Her son Kenneth stated that he was going



to Monterey for sure! We hope they decide to make the trip from SoCal and join us.

After the presentation and question and answer period were finished, Peter moved out into the lobby of the museum where there were many, many people waiting patiently with their personal items for Peter to autograph, as well as pose for a picture or two to commemorate the event.



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Photo's by Blackhawk Museum



More Z-Gathering at Blackhawk

Photo's by Jason Green



Track Night in America

Track Night in America is a non-competitive, no-stress, entertaining, easy and inexpensive way for nearly anyone who loves cars or motorsports to get on a real racecourse in their own vehicle during weeknights. All that is required is that participants be at least 18 years old with a valid driver's license and have access to an approved helmet and street car in good working condition.

Dates for **Track Night in America** at Thunderhill Raceway Park, Willows, CA

April 19, May 24, June 14, July 12, August 16, September 13. These are all Thursday Nights.

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It's had a make-over!

Datslocos

14th Annual Car Show / Swapmeet

\$10 Per Car

\$20 Per Vendor Spot

Free admission

May 19th 2018
8am - 4pm

934 Perimeter Drive Manteca, CA 95337
next to JC Penney

2018 Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion

honoring Nissan

Datsun Nissan Sports Car Corral

August 23 – 26, 2018

Parade Lap – Sunday August 26

Presented by Z Owners of Northern California

Buy your tickets ONLY at www.ZONC.org



Monterey Datsun/Nissan Corral Update

By Ann Devor

A quick recap: [Z Owners of Northern California](#) received an email on February 26 that Nissan would be the 2018 honored marque at the **Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion**. [ZONC](#) already had a contract for corral space but by March 5 that agreement was renegotiated for the T3 paved parking area. By March 10 our PayPal page was set up. Immediately we had sign-ups but also questions, comments and a little bit of confusion about all the different tickets to choose and buy.

First, we have not heard from Nissan about their plans for this event. That has not stopped us from moving forward and shifting gears as fast as possible. In the meantime as plans come together, here is some basic info to start your planning.

Corral and Additional Spaces. There has been a little bit of misinformation circulated about the T3 parking area and where it's located. T3 has 69 spaces on the paved area between Turns 2 and 3 behind the "island." When the first 45 spaces have been sold (very soon), Laguna Seca will give us additional spaces along the paved driveway to T3. These are showcase parking spots and very open to public viewing. There are no plans yet for which cars will park in what areas - it's too early for that.

Corral Rules. Yes, Laguna Seca has rules that we are expected to follow. [ZONC](#) is not very interested in enforcing the rules but is more focused on everybody having a really great time - but that also means not getting in trouble. The main rules for us are: no sales (including no cars for sale), no canopies or tents (the track has exclusive rights to rent them - we reserved one) and no advertising (flyers, handouts, any promotional material).

Exhibiting Special Sports Cars. We have received several offers to 'display' special sports cars (Skylines especially) in the corral. Please keep in mind that we are celebrating car racing and the car corral is not a concours or a car show. Each car must have a driver and each driver is responsible for his/her car. There will usually be someone in the car corral to answer questions but [ZONC](#) cannot be responsible for your car.

The Corral Car List. Questions are coming in - How

many Skylines? How many 510s? We have 40 cars signed up for the corral as of April 13. Here's the breakdown:

Skyline	3
Roadster	4
510	10
240Z	8
260Z	2
280Z	2
300ZX (Z32)	3
350Z	4
370Z	2
GT-R (possibly Skylines)	2

Corral Program. We're working on a corral program including VIP visits from Peter Brock, John Morton and Steve Millen. Everything is in preliminary planning stages - no promises are being made as we don't know what Nissan may be planning. We are also working on getting the list of race cars and drivers for each race. And we've also requested the schedule. In the past, the car club parade lap on Sunday has been at noon. I think we can expect that again. We have requested the parade lap rules which will probably have license/insurance requirements. We'll let you know.

Tickets. Discounted admission tickets, Datsun/Nissan sports car corral passes and parade lap passes are sold exclusively by [ZONC](#) at www.zonc.org. Tickets, corral pass and parade lap pass sales will remain open until late July. After that there will be no sales of corral or parade lap passes either by [ZONC](#) or the track. Admission tickets will continue to be available at the gate at substantially increased prices.



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ZONC had prepared 3 trophies (with Peter and Gayle's permission) that were labeled "Peter Brock Award", and Peter personally chose the cars the trophies were awarded to. The lucky cars were a red 370Z and a silver 510, (I'm sorry but I don't have the name of the gentlemen), and a 510 wagon owned by "Towns", one of our **ZONC** members! Congrats to everyone! This was a special honor for all of the recipients and is something to be treasured for the years to come.

Peter continued to wander through the cars that were still present on the plaza and signed the plenums, dashes, glove boxes and other items for the people still enjoying the day. This was a great day for **ZONC** and it's members and guests, and we received a lot of requests to have another event up there next year. I think we will definitely be able to do that again.

Thanks to everyone for their continued support and WELCOME to the new members that joined **ZONC** prior



Save the Date Leader Bob Jenkins thebeard@sonic.net

Sonoma Coast Run

Sunday, July 22, 2018

Profiles Wanted

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

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

ZONC Membership Report

April 13, 2018

By Ann Devor, Data BaseManger

Current Memberships: 112 - 10 new members, 15 renewals
Total Current Members: 126 - including 14 associate members

Member Cars:

Roadster	5	300ZX (Z32)	10
510	7	350Z	17
240Z	44	370Z	6
260Z	4	GT-R	1
280Z	10	G35	2
280ZX	4	G37	2
300ZX (Z31)	2		

ZONC Area Memberships:

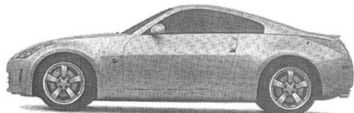
Alameda	13
Contra Costa	6
Marin Sonoma	6
Mendocino	2
Monterey	3
North Valley	13
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Placer	6
Sacramento	13
San Francisco	2
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2018 Car Events Calendar

(Click on the blue dates and some red dates)

May 03-06	Ferrari Challenge at Laguna
May 19	Datslocos 14th Annual Car Show
June 01-03	Sonoma Historic Motorsports Festival
June 03	ZONC Meeting Place TBD
June 09	Pescadero Fun Run
Jun 23	NorCal Vintage Datsun Meet in Concord
Jun 22-24	Toyota /Save Mart 350 NASCAR-Sonoma
Jul 08	Cheese Tour at Nicolau Farms
Jul 12-14	Mt. Shasta Datsun Meet
July 22	Coastal Fun Run
July 28	ZONC Annual Car Show
Aug 18-19	Monterey Pre-Reunion at Laguna
Aug 23-26	Rolex Monterey Reunion at Laguna
Sept 01	Annual Santos Car Show Alviso
Sept 06-09	Continental Monterey Grand Prix
Sept 15	Canapa Fun Run
Sept 14-16	Grand Prix of Sonoma at Sonoma
Sept 14	Japanese Classic Car Show Long Beach
Oct 05-06	Multi State Datsun Classic
Oct 05-07	CSRG Charity Challenge, Sonoma Raceway
Oct 16-20	ZCON ZCCA Annual Convention Atlanta, Ga.
Oct 13	Columbia Fun Run
Oct 21	ZONC Annual Picnic - Coyote Point
Oct 26-28	Pirelli World Challenge at Laguna
Dec 01-02	24 Hrs of Lemons, Sonoma Raceway
Dec 08	ZONC Annual Holiday Gathering

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