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Mrs. K - Masako Katayama (1913-2018)

By Ann Devor

We are saddened to let you know that Masako Katayama, wife of Yutaka Katayama, passed away on May 25, 2018 at the age of 105 years and 3 months. Her passing was a little more than three years after Mr. K passed away at the age of 105. Mr. and Mrs. K married in 1937, two years after Mr. K started working at Nissan. They stayed together for 78 years. Mr. K, whose birth name was Yutaka Asoh, took the Katayama family name as his own when they married. Mr. K had two (Continued on page 2)

7/15/18 Last Day to Buy RMMR Tickets

By Ann Devor

Reunion tickets, Corral pass and Parade Lap pass from **ZONC** before our ticket window closes on July 15. As of mid-June, **ZONC** has 89 Datsun/Nissan/Infiniti sports cars in the Corral. Nissan will have a large display tent to show thirteen historic vehicles including a BRE 510, Paul Newman's championship 280ZX, the Camel GT pace car built by Bob Sharp Racing and the R390 GT1 from Zama, Japan. Three of the show cars belong to Adam Carolla who will be racing a Nissan. Datsun/Nissan Corral drivers and guests are invited to a special taping of Carolla's CarCast, date/time tbd. Nissan will be providing a pace car for the weekend and hopes to put a few more vehicles on the track for our parade lap. Don't miss out! Buy your tickets and passes now at www.**ZONC**.org!

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On Z Road Again

By Linda Williams

Happy Summer and 4th of July to everyone. I hope you have been enjoying the



great weather and getting your cars out on our wonderful backroads.

We had our meeting on June 10th at Fuddrucker's in Walnut Creek. They provided us a patio area that we could close off and hold our meeting without a lot of distractions. I think this restaurant will probably see us again for future meetings. We had a lot of discussion about the upcoming Annual Car Show in Brisbane on July 28th, as well as updates from Ann Devor on the Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion in August. We have exceeded the number of cars initially expected for the car corral and the track has expanded the area to accommodate the additional cars. It also looks like the parade lap will be very successful too! Thank you Ann for all your hard work on this endeavor. If anyone can volunteer to help us in the corral, please let us know. We want this to be a huge success for our club.

The beginning of June, Paul Gommel and Ann Devor lead a run to the coast and the weather was perfect. We began the run in Pacifica, headed down the coast through Pescadero, up to Highway 9, and then down into Boulder Creek for lunch. After lunch we headed back to Highway 9 and Highway 35 where some of us left the group to head down thru Saratoga and make our way home. We had 11 cars and lots of good roads to cut loose on. I'm sure some of the on-coming traffic didn't think it was so much fun with us flying low to the ground passing them. A friend of Bryan D. was positioned on Highway 9 taking pictures of cars going by, and he has shared them on the **ZONC.org** Facebook page.

I have some sad news to share, Johnnie Gable sent a note to say that Mrs. K. passed away on May 25, 2018 at the age of 105 and 3 months. What a record. Mr. K. passed away on Feb 19, 2015 two days after Mrs. K's $102^{\rm nd}$ birthday on Feb $17^{\rm th}$, 2015. He was 105 and 5 months old. May they both rest in peace and know that they had such an influence on many

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of our lives and the history of the Z cars. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family and friends of Mr. and Mrs. Yutaka Katayama. He will always be in our hearts.

And for some new-car speculation.... The latest batch of news is more positive, however. According to **Autocar**, an all-new model to replace the aging 370Z has been given "the green light," and yes, it'll be a proper coupe and not some jacked-up soft-roader.

Power will come from the 3.0-litre twin-turbo V6 used in the likes of the Infiniti Q50 and Q60, with an anticipated output similar to the 399bhp state of tune it enjoys in those cars. That'd be for the standard car, which will go on sale in 2020, but there will be a 475bhp, 451lb ft Nismo version with all-wheel drive, due to arrive in 2021. The name hasn't been decided, although '400Z' is mooted, according to **Autocar's** insiders.

We may not have to wait that long to see the car, either. A preview concept should be with us before the end of 2018, while the production car will have its big reveal just over a year later.

Safe travels to you all,

Please Welcome

New Members.....

Neal Dawson Michael Quinn Bryan Delohery 240Z 1969 Roadster

280Z

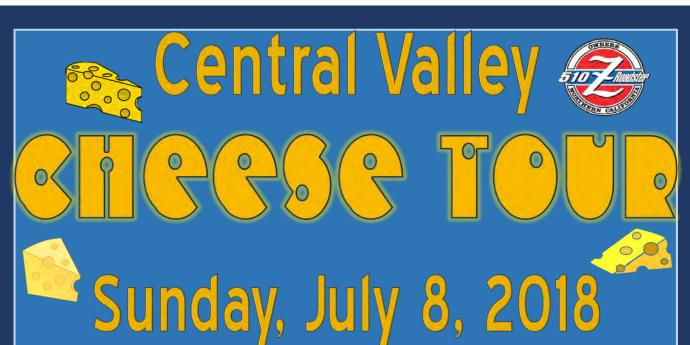
Mrs. K - Masako Katayama

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brothers to carry on the Asoh family name, but there were no men in the Katayama family to carry their family name into the future. That situation changed when Mrs. K had two sons and two daughters and Mr. K became the head of a wonderful family. Recent reports say that in addition to her children, Mrs. K leaves behind eleven grandchildren and eighteen great-grandchildren. Mrs. K also leaves behind her contribution in the legacy of Nissan automobiles and the story of bringing the innovative Datsun cars to America. On behalf of **Z Owners of Northern California**, we send our deepest condolences to everyone whose lives she touched and who will remember her forever.

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Meet at 9:30 a.m. at Casse-Croûte Bakery

50 S. Livermore Ave., Livermore, CA 94550

(parking next door and across the street)

Depart at 10:00 a.m.



Tour of Nicolau Farms

4451 Carpenter Rd., Modesto, CA \$5 per person





Lunch at Hilmar Farms 9001 Lander Ave., Hilmar, CA



Return via Roberts Ferry Covered Bridge

To RSVP and for More Information, Contact Andrea Ivan triswmbkrn@aol.com



2018 Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion

honoring Nissan

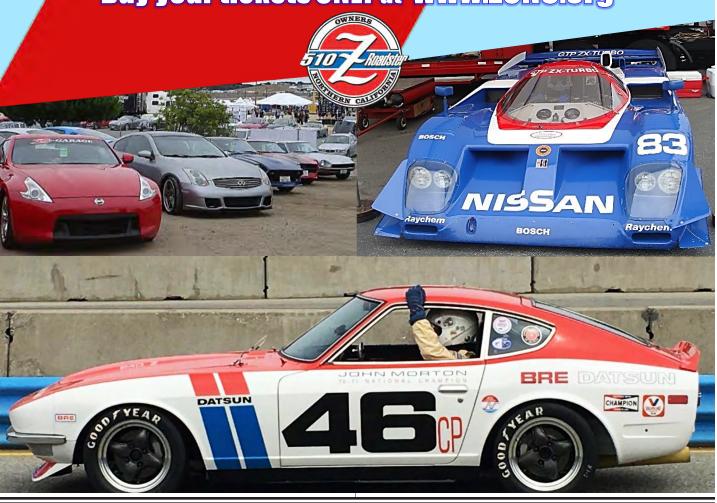
Datsun Nissan Sports Car Corral

August 23 – 26, 2018

Parade Lap - Sunday August 26

Presented by Z Owners of Northern California

Buy your tickets ONLY at www.ZONC.org



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Z OWNERS OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

ANNUAL CAR



SHOW



THE BRISBANE MARINA
JULY 28, 2018
10:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.

★ DATSUN ★ NISSAN ★ INFINITI ★

★Z ★ 510 ★ ROADSTER ★ G COUPE ★ GT-R ★ Trophies for Best in Class and Best in Show T-Shirts! Goody Bags! Raffle! ★ ★

Register Today! Pre-registration available until 7/6/18 at www.zonc.org ZONC Member Pre-Registration Fee: \$20, Non-Members: \$30 Registration Fee after 7/6/18: \$35

On site registration starts at 10:00 a.m.

From US 101, take Sierra Point Parkway exit

T-Shirts Sold By Pre-Order Only

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Z OWNERS OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA ANNUAL CAR SHO

AT THE BRISBANE MARINA

Registration and T-Shirts

JULY 28, 2018 - 10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M. All Zs - 510s - Roadsters - GT-Rs - G Coupes

Name Address	T-Shirt Orders Pre-Order Only by 7/6/18! NO SHIPPING!				
Phone/Cell	Pick up at Car Show! S \$15.00 each # ordered Total \$ M \$15.00 each				
□ Datsun □ Nissan □ Infiniti Year	# ordered Total \$ L \$15.00 each				
Model	# ordered Total \$				
☐ Stock ☐ Modified ☐ Super-Modified	XL \$15.00 each				
Pre-Registration Ends July 6, 2018! Pre-Registration Fees Member (\$20 Per Car) \$ Non-Member (\$30 Per Car) \$ Total for Car Entry \$	# ordered Total \$ 2XL \$15.00 each # ordered Total \$ 3XL \$15.00 each # ordered Total \$ 4XL \$15.00 each # ordered Total \$				
All registration after July 6 will be \$35 This applies to members and non-members.	TOTAL T-Shirt Order: \$				
Members – save now and register!	▲ GRAND TOTAL				

Register online at www.ZONC.org under Event Registration or mail to: **ZONC**, 21001 San Ramon Valley Blvd., Ste. A4, Box 184, San Ramon, CA 94583 (Post-marked no later than July 6, 2018)

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Non-Members – join now and save!

Join ZONC now!

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HAPPY JULY BIRTHDAYS

Lois Apperson Brian Berry

Neal Dawson

Richard D. Endean

Ken Kawabata Jeff Rose

Melinda Wilson

9f 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!



ZCON Returns To Atlanta after 23 Years!!

October 16-20, 2018 ZCON returns to Atlanta, GA!

2017 ZONC Car Show Sponsors

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ZONC Marin-Sonoma Coast Tour

Sunday, July 22, 2018

Start Location: Petaluma Marina, 781 Baywood Drive, (off Lakeville Road in Petaluma)

Meeting Time: 9:45am Leave Time: about 10:15am

Brunch: at Howard Station Café in Occidental.

Please bring cash, as they do not take checks or credit cards.

https://www.howardstationcafe.com/

Route: We will cruise from the Marina through Petaluma over back roads to Highway One and up the coast to Tomales. Then stay on Highway One up to Bodega Bay and up the Sonoma coast until turning inland before Jenner on Highway 116. At Duncans Mills we will turn on Moscow Road and to Monte Rio and then over to Occidental and Howard Station in Occidental.

Mileage: The total mileage is about 90 miles from Petaluma to Occidental and then about 20 miles back to 101.

Notes: Please arrive at start with almost a full tank of gas and a hand held FRS radio, if you have one and also CASH for brunch.

Please **RSVP** to Bob at: **thebeard@sonic.net** or call me at 707-546-6867 by **July 20**th.





Datslocos 14th Annual Car Show/Swap Meet

By Mary Rozmajzl

Anyone who buys, builds, rebuilds, or tricks out an iconic ride wants to take the next step and show it off. For the 14th year, Datslocos California has provided the perfect stage at their annual "Car Show/Swap Meet," May 19, 2018. Rides to see, rides for sale, parts new and used, and ideas everywhere you turned.

With an amazing 300 entries, this year's show bested 2017 by almost 100 cars. Club President Gino Guillen said, "It was crazy. Thirty minutes after the show opened we had over 150 cars. We had newer Skylines, older Skylines, all years of Z's, a lot of trucks and, as usual, an epic amount of 510's."

ZONC member Curtis Lewis showed off his 370Z, and Ken Clark entered his 240Z.

Datslocos, as the name implies, is dedicated to everything Datsun. However, they welcomed ALL makes and models to the show. This year's entries included a classic Chevy, Subarus, Toyotas and Hondas. They filled the northwest parking lot of the Promonade Shopping Mall in Manteca, CA to near capacity, with a promise of more space if necessary.

Geno attributes the success to rigorous online exposure, word of mouth and flyers that he delivers to auto parts stores and shops in the Central Valley. One secret weapon—





longtime friend and club member, Oscar Lumas. Oscar says he uses the Facebook pages of his and any other car club he can find to join. He's also active on other social sites like Twitter. (Anything he can do to get the word out about Datslocos California.) The rest of Geno's support comes from his family who work before, during and after the show—his wife Rochelle and their children, Junior, Emi and Cassondra, who gets the word out on Snapchat.

Trophy winners included a "Best of Show" Bluebird and "Best Engine" 510 wagon. The "Most Modified" was awarded to a 521 truck that was, according to Geno, air bagged and very well put together. "Further Traveled" went to a Datsun 620 truck from Las Vegas.

Rochelle says you can still take a souvenir of the show home... T-shirts (small to XXL) are still available for \$25. Contact Datslocos at www.datslocos.weebly.com.

Here's a link to their "2018 Datslocos California Epic Show" video: https://youtu.be/Bpt2V8ErODY. Camera work and production by Oscar Lumas.



Check out the **ZONC** Website ~ It's had a make -over!

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Boulder Creek Fun Run

By Ann Devor and Paul Gommel

Gray skies were breaking up and the ocean was blue as we lined up alongside three 510s and a Maxima waiting at the light on CA-1 to turn left toward Sea Bowl Lanes in Pacifica. We were off to a great start before the drive began! Geno Guillen, Rochelle Colombo and family, plus Kim and Jason Townsend were two cars ahead of us on the way to the bowling alley parking lot overlooking the ocean. Soon Lois and Ruffin Apperson (driving not-350Z), Brian Delohery (280Z), Linda Williams (280Z), Ken Clark, Mary Ellen Rozmajzl and Puppy (240Z), and Gary Kerchner (240Z) joined us. After a coffee-run, gas fill-ups, hood lifting and engine bay viewing, ten cars were ready to go.

We took off down Hwy. 1 amid light Saturday morning traffic. Undaunted, we stuck together, made the turn onto Stage Rd. and started the back roads drive all the way to Skyline Blvd., aka CA-35. Stage Rd. is a mostly single-lane twisty-turny road past ranches and green pastures that crosses through San Gregorio at Hwy. 84. Mo Moscovitz and Peggy



Photo's on this page by Mary Rozmajzl



(300ZX Z32) were waiting at the San Gregorio store and quickly fell in line with the rest of us. From there we turned east on Pescadero Creek Rd. toward the wooded slopes of the Santa Cruz Mountains, threading our way through the tiny hamlet of Loma Mar and onward until we reached Alpine Rd. Alpine Rd. is another narrow twisting road that borders



Sam MacDonald County Park, and the Russian Ridge and Skyline Ridge Open Space Preserves.

Once we reached Hwy. 35 we turned toward CA-9 and Boulder Creek. We stopped there for lunch with some of us eating on the deck at Scopazzi's and others enjoying the famous tri-tip sandwiches at the Redwood Keg & Deli around the corner. We gathered together back in Scopazzi's parking lot with some of us leaving for the day and others planning to peel off on the return trip after we made our way through

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Photo's on this page byAnn Devor



Big Basin State Park. The State Park's narrow road past giant coastal redwoods is always beautiful but narrow and a little slow with traffic. Once out of the Park, we returned to Hwy. 9 and up the hill to Hwy. 35.

Ultimately there were five cars left for the easy drive down La Honda Rd., aka Hwy. 84. An old-fashioned motorcycle with an empty sidecar slowed us down a little bit but it's safe to say we weren't the only ones out for a fun day on the roads. We returned to the Coast Hwy., saying good-bye to the forest for the drive home on Hwy. 92 and traffic on the San Mateo Bridge. But even that was fun – leave it up to the DatsLocos 510s to keep it lively! It was a blast from start to finish and many thanks to everyone who made the day full of good company and good times.











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Ads run for two months (unless you tell me to remove it after one month).

Please include your complete address with ad.

DEADLINE: is the 15th of the month, for inclusion in the next issue.

Please make check or money order payable to: ZONC.

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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**



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

July 12, August 16, September 13.

These are all Thursday Nights.

For more information contract Rob Luis at:

Rjluis@sbcglobal.net

2018 Car Events Calendar

(Click on the blue dates and some red dates)

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Jul 08	Cheese Tour at Nicolau Farms
Jul 12-14	Mt. Shasta Datsun Meet
July 22	Marin-Sonoma Coastal Tour
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
Sep 14-16	Grand Prix of Sonoma at Sonoma
Sep 14	Japanese Classic Car Show Long Beach
Oct 05-06	Multi State Datsun Classic
Oct 05-07	CSRG Charity Challenge, SonomaRaceway
Oct 13	Columbia Fun Run
Oct 16-20	ZCON ZCCA Annual Convention
	Atlanta, Ga.
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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