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Canepa Run Summary

By Jason Green

If you live in the Bay Area and love cars, Canepa in Scotts Valley is a must visit. And that's just what more than a dozen members of Z Owners of Northern California did on Sept. 15.

The day began with a spirited 30-mile run. Starting in sleepy downtown Saratoga, our route took us up Highway 9, across Skyline Boulevard and deep into the Santa Cruz Mountains, where every switchback drew a smile and every curve a cheer.

We arrived at Canepa about an hour later to find we were the only tour group scheduled for the morning.

Our guide, Zach Todd, kicked things off by taking us to the shop, which on this particular day was brimming with all manner of Porches. Zach explained that many of them were being prepared for the upcoming Rennsport Reunion at Laguna Seca.

Among the cars in the shop Zach highlighted was a Porsche



Kennedy Gold Mine Run Summary October 13, 2018

By Mary Rozmajzl

Everything was perfect – the weather, the route, the destination and the company (especially the company). That was the consensus as four Z's and a "soul red metallic" 2017 Mazda Miata caravanned from Lodi, CA, in search of a "golden" **ZONC** run into the lower foothills of the Sierras. The October 13, 2018, adventure motored past alfalfa fields in the throws of Autumn bailing, dairy operations tending recently weaned calves, and pastures of platinum grass and shrubbery dappled in early Fall colors. Then it skirted the shores of the Camanche Reservoir that's a favorite of anglers and campers alike. The gradual climb wound past the Pardee

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On Z Road Again

By Linda Williams

Wow, another month has flown by and the year is coming to an end. We enjoyed the run to



the Kennedy Gold Mine on Oct. 13th that was put on by Ken and Mary. The weather was spectacular and the mine was very informative and enjoyable. We all got our history lesson about the mine and its history in California. If you're ever in Jackson, be sure to stop at Jose's Mexican Food, they stayed open for us and the food was outstanding. Maybe another Jackson Run is in the future!

October 20th was our **ZONC** Annual Picnic held at the Coyote Point Recreational Area. We'll have pictures and info for you in our December issue.

Our Holiday Party and installation of officers will be at **Starz Recreation Center** in Vacaville on **December 8**th. Please plan on joining us for some good food and conversation. We will be announcing our Board Members for 2019 and acknowledging some of our members for the work they have done over this past year.

PLEASE remember to VOTE, no matter what your party, **PLEASE VOTE**! It's important for each and every one of us to participate, it's our civic duty. I figure I can't complain if I don't vote to make a difference no matter what the item is that is on the ballot.

Safe travels to everyone,

ZONC would like to again thank member Peter Izzoia for his continual printing of the ZNews.

2018 Car Events Calendar

(Click on the blue date and red date)

Dec 01-02 24 Hrs of Lemons, Sonoma Raceway

Dec 08 ZONC Annual Holiday Gathering

Please Welcome New Member.....

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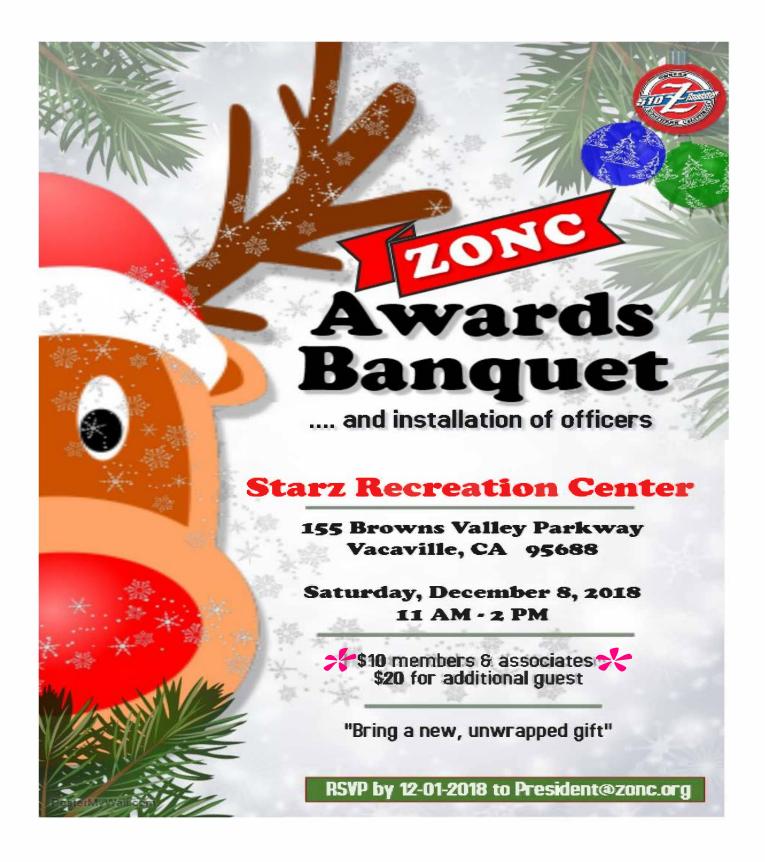
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959. The cars were cutting edge 30 years ago and now command prices north of \$1 million. Owners with another \$750,000 to spare can turn them over to Canepa Design to be restored to "better than new condition," a process that includes bumping engine horsepower to 763.

After showing us around the shop, Zach led us upstairs to the museum. It too was full of automotive eye candy, including Steve McQueen's 1961 Cooper T56 Formula Junior. This is the car McQueen was forced to give up to pursue his budding acting career. He wouldn't return to racing until he opened his own movie studio.









The tour ended in the showroom downstairs. Here, dozens of cars were available for purchase, including a 1972 Porsche 911E and a 1967 Chevrolet Camara Dana.

After a quick group photo, folks were free to go their own way. But most of us headed down the street to the Redwood Sandwich Company. The food was fantastic.

Several of us parked together, and as we were getting ready to leave, a man in a Honda Accord drove past and offered to trade his car for one of ours. I took it as proof that our older Datsuns don't need to command seven-figure prices to be desirable.

I'd like to thank Zach and Canepa for hosting us. And I'd like to thank everyone who turned out for the event. Your participation made it a success. I'll see you at the next one.

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Canepa Run Photos by Mary Rozmajzl

















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Kennedy Gold Mine Run

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Reservoir and into the hills around Jackson, CA, home of the historic Kennedy Gold Mine.

The Z's and Miata performed perfectly, as expected, including **ZONC** President, Linda Williams' 1978 280Z. Linda celebrated a 30,000 "original miles" milestone during the run. It's all the more significant as she recently solved a months-long mysterious "hot start" failure. After several "ineffective fixes" by the professionals, **ZONC** member, Bryan Delohery, suggested replacing the coolant temperature sensor. Problem solved. Thanks Bryan.

ZONC members, Bob and Carol Gray also joined the run in their 2007 350Z. Club Secretary, Ann Devor, and her husband, Paul Gommel, drove their 2003 350Z. And members, Ken Clark and Mary Ellen Rozmajzl sported the run's oldest entry, a 1970 240Z. The Miata, the run's newest entry was a 2017 owned by members, Lois and Ruffin Apperson

Once at the mine, the tour continued on foot, as the group explored the property's "above ground" facilities and machinery. Self-guided tours revealed the 19th century technology, early 20th century efforts to protect







the environment and sheer muscle power that mined and moved several hundered tons of granite daily in search of a few ounces of gold.

All the tunnels radiating from the mine's 5,912 foot vertical shaft flooded years ago, prohibiting access. But that was not until 82 years of mining operations extracted over \$34 million in gold. That involved dynamiting endless fields of granite a mile underground, hauling it to the surface, pulverizing, sifting and washing away the debris, while using a coating of mercury to attract the comingled particles of gold. Three tons of granite yielded one ounce of gold. Too much work? Too little reward? Not when you understand that between 1860 and 1942 gold was valued between \$6 and \$35 an ounce.

Then came World War II. Ruffin Apperson, said gold mining across the country was halted as the US government deemed it non-essential to the war effort. Instead the manpower and equipment were needed to mine copper and iron. With equipment gone (especially water pumps), water filled the tunnels, and many of them collapsed. There was no capital, or available labor once the fighting ended, so the

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Kennedy Gold Mine Run

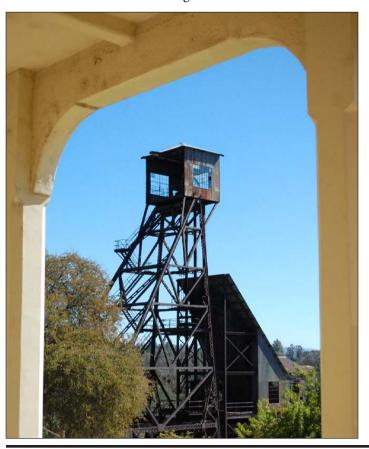
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Kennedy and most of the other Sierra mines simply faded into history.

The **ZONC** mine visit was about to end when members, Paul and Diane Harpainter, pulled up in their 1975 280Z. They purchased it 2 ½ years ago, fully restored, in addition to a 5-speed transmission, fuel injection and fiber glass bumpers. When asked, "why the 280Z?" Paul, who is well above 6 feet, said, "I wanted a car I could fit into."

Paul and Diane joined the caravan and everyone adjourned to Jose's Mexican Restaurant and Cantina on the south end of Jackson. They enjoyed comfortable, spacious veranda dining and a very accommodating staff. (**ZONC** overstayed its visit to Kennedy and arrived at Jose's 15 minutes before afternoon closing.) That didn't sway the wait staff or kitchen personnel. Service was impeccable and personal, and the meals were delicious and substantial. Turns out **ZONC**'s timing to eat at Jose's was also on point, as next month (after 35 years of creating a memorable dining experience) the owner will be retiring.

The run home wound through the foothills south of town







and into valley farmland. It was an intimate touring group, but one that ALL AGREED combined perfect weather, route, destination and company. It was just a perfect day.

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