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Please Welcome
New Member. . .

Jason Pi 240Z

ZONC Ft. Bragg Run
Sat & Sun **May 2 & 3, 2020**

Postponed



✳ Check web sites for the latest information to learn if the events are going to happen as scheduled.

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On Z Road Again

By Linda Williams



May 2020 ZNews

Hi fellow **ZONC** members,

First and foremost, I pray that you and your loved ones are all healthy and safe. I'm sure you are practicing all of the safety measures and I don't need to list them, but still be careful.

What a world we live in. Never in my life did I ever think we could experience anything like the Corona Virus of 2019. Without listing all the things that have happened in my lifetime, this will be the one that I think I'll remember the most.

As of the writing of this column, it seems like everything has been cancelled or postponed, May and June activities/fun runs/Blackhawk Meet and Greet to name a few. I feel like the entire world is on a big pause! It almost seems surreal. As for the Annual Car Show, the board has not made a decision, but I wouldn't count on it happening in July. We can always look at a future date if things open up.

I would like to wish all the **ZONC** mothers a very Happy Mother's Day and know that a lot of you will be experiencing it virtually! Another thing we can thank technology for....

Stay safe and healthy,

HAPPY MAY BIRTHDAYS...

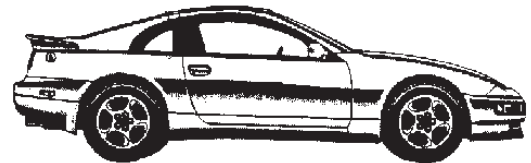
Andrea Ivan

Bill Roth

Bob Russell

William West

*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!*



In Tribute to Jim Johnson

a ZONC member since 2013

Jim participated in many ZONC events. He and his 240z could be found at our car shows and on many tours.

The following Tribute to Jim was written by his wife, Carole, and we share it with her permission.



James Leslie Johnson

May 29, 1941 – March 30, 2020

Predeceased by his mother, Blanche Tenney Johnson, when Jim was only 9 years old; his father, Paul L. Johnson; his first wife, Michelle; and his mentor, Phillip Townsend.

Born and raised in Napa, Jim attended Napa High School where he made many friends who remained friends throughout his life. He loved track and cross country, archery, Sea Scouts, and DeMolay. After junior college he attended San Jose State, getting his M.S. degree in Psychology along with his MFT and Educational Psychologist certification. He worked in private practice which included helping mothers using hypnosis for labor and delivery. He loved his many years as an Educational Psychologist in the South Bay and in Sonoma County. Upon retirement, Jim kept in touch with many of his students and their parents.

Always curious, Jim loved to read and had a vast collection of the works of T.E. Lawrence, middle eastern and European history, and Winston Churchill. For many years he served as the Northern California Director of the International Churchill Society. Jim also loved his travel adventures which brought repeat visits throughout Europe, the British Isles, Greece, Morocco, Canada, Alaska and Hawaii.

Jim was happiest driving his 1972 240Z in ESCA and ZONC events, and welcomed the advice of his many friends in these car clubs. He also was a volunteer member of the

Patient Advisory Committee at Kaiser for several years, helping patients and health care providers to improve systems and communication.

Always in helping mode, he joined with his family, friends and neighbors in many joint home remodeling and street repair projects. He built most of his home in the Santa Cruz Mountains surrounded by 5 acres of redwoods where he raised his son, Matthew, as a single parent. Then, 21 years ago he met Carole, and moved to Sonoma County where they created an idyllic partnership, each enhancing the other's attributes, loving and learning from each other.

Loving him forever are his wife, Carole Robison, children Kevin & Catherine Robison, Matt Johnson, grandchildren, Caian & Elise Johnson, & kitties, Ella & Isabella.

A gathering for family and friends will be held when we are free to do so. Jim's wish is for all to vote and restore some sanity to our elected leadership in Washington. He worked for and supported candidates who believe in science, equality, education, social programs to benefit the underserved, and conservation of our National Parks, and wildlife.



Above, Jim showing his yellow-green 240Z and, below, taking a break at the Blackhawk Meet & Greet on June 25, 2016.



2008 ZONC Tour to Motorsports Car Show in Orange, Ca.



2020 RMMR Is On!

By Ann Devor

It's been like listening to the classic rock & roll song by the Clash – "Should I stay or should I go?". Whatever you want to call it – lock down, lock up, shelter in place – there has been nothing but question marks surrounding the Monterey car week events this August. Governor Newsom has repeatedly suggested that big events like the NFL opening games will not be happening in August in California. Adding to the scheduling discomfort is the fact that LAGUNA SECA is under new management after ousting SCRAMP's iron grip on the famous Monterey racetrack. Nonetheless, most of the Monterey car week events are happening, at least as of April 21 when this article was written. Notably, the **ROLEX MONTEREY MOTORSPORTS REUNION** at WEATHERTECH RACEWAY LAGUNA SECA will run on **August 13–16, 2020**.

The new management is making improvements to the racetrack such as electronic flagging and also has started a new ticketing program including parade laps for car corrals.

There will be 13 race groups in the 2020 historic races including two IMSA run groups featuring cars from 1973-1981 and 1981-1991 including Datsun and Nissan race cars.

Ticketing has been simplified and will be handled solely by the racetrack. To park in the car club corrals your only option will be to buy a ticket package (\$200 for drivers, \$175 for passengers) that includes racetrack entry for all four days, parking in our exclusive Datsun-Nissan corral, a parade lap and merchandise kit.

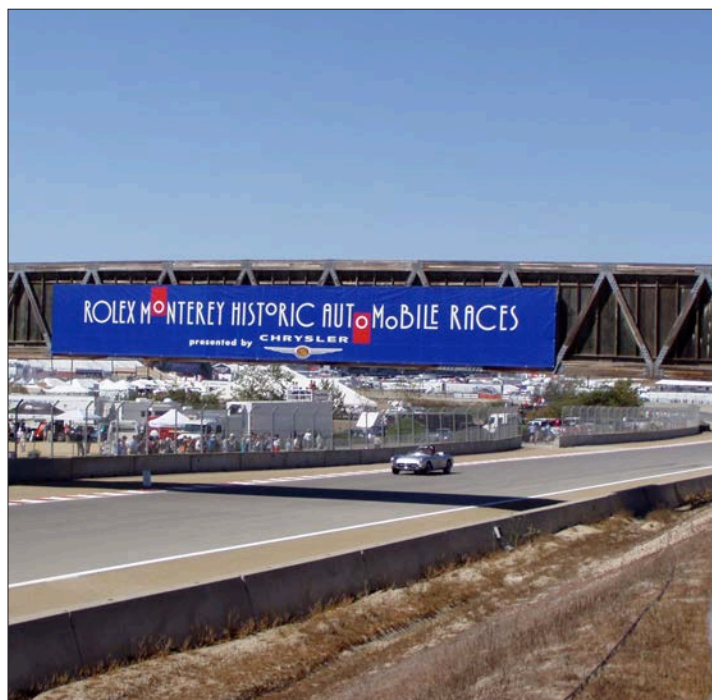
To purchase your ticket packages including corral passes and parade lap, please go to:

<https://www.weathertechraceway.com/rolex-monterey-motorsports-reunion>

and use the link to purchase tickets.

If you have any questions or for more information, please contact me at anndevor@gmail.com.

After being cooped up in our homes and having so many of our favorite events cancelled in May, June and July, we hope to see everyone in their beautiful Datsun and Nissan sports cars glide through the Corkscrew and hit the accelerator in August!



5th ANNUAL CAR EVENT

Z DAY CALIFORNIA

SOCALZ MOTHERS | **SATURDAY MAY 16 10 AM TO 3 PM** | **SSWORKS STILLER**

SHOW TIME 10 AM TO 3 PM

ROLLING-IN 9 AM TO 10 AM

- **FOOD TRUCKS** • **TROPHIES**
- **MODELS** • **DJ MUSIC**
- **VENDORS** • **RAFFLES**

SUNDAY, MAY 17 ZCARS & COFFEE 8 AM TO 10 AM

- **8 AM - COFFEE / MEET**
- **10 AM - CRUISE TO MORRO BAY**

MEET LOCATION: ATASCADERO PARK 9305 PISMO AVE.

REGISTER ONLINE: SOCALZ.NET | 6500 PALMA AVE. ATASCADERO, CA. 93422

Sacramento Datsun Runs

May 16	Datsloco Swap Meet Postponed
Jun 12-13	Powerhouse Datsun Show
Jun 26-27	Mt. Shasta Roadster Show
Jul 18	Feather River Fun Run
Aug 15	Santa Cruz Fun Run
Sept 12	US 40 Fun Run
Oct 17	Leafers Fun Run
Nov 14	Calaveras Big Trees Fun Run
Dec 05	Dave Pare Memorial Toy Run

For info go to

www.facebook.com/sacdatson/

Autocross & Hill Climb Web Sites

American Autocross Series

www.americanautox.com/schedule/

SFR SCCA:

www.sfrscca.org/autocross/

Northwest Hill Climb Association

(541) 772-7314

<https://nhahillclimb.org/>

Redwood Sports Car Club Eureka

(707) 441-1603

www.rsccl.net



2020 ZONC & Other Car Events

MAY

- 02-03 ZONC Overnight Tour to Ft. Bragg** **Postponed**
- 01-03 Trans Am Speed Fest Laguna Seca
- 09 Kyusha Japanese Classic Cars in Richmond **Postponed**
- 16-17 ZDAY CALIFORNIA** in Atascadero
- 23-24 Datslocos run to Las Vegas**
- 29-31 CSRG D. Love Historic Car Races** Sonoma Raceway

JUNE

- 06 ZONC Meet & Greet at Blackhawk** **Postponed**
- 12-14 Toyota Save Mart 350, Sonoma Raceway

JULY

- 15-19 NHRA Div 7 Drag Race, Sonoma Raceway
- 24-26 NHRA Sonoma Nationals, Sonoma Raceway
- 23-26 Ferrari Challenge Series Laguna Seca

AUGUST

- 02 ZONC Annual Car Show at Brisbane**
- 07-09 GT World Challenge Am Ser, Sonoma Raceway
- 08-09 Monterey Pre-reunion
- 13-16 Rolex M. Motorsport Reunion, Laguna Seca**

SEPTEMBER

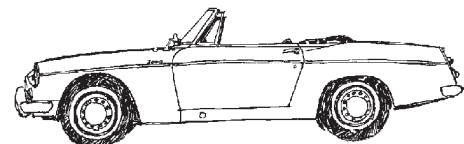
- 04-06 Sonoma Speed Festival, Sonoma Raceway
- 11-13 IMSA, Laguna Seca
- 14-19 ZCON Celebration in Nashville**
www.zcon.org/conventions/2020/
- 19-20 Grand Prix of Monterey, Laguna Seca
- 27 ZONC Annual Picnic**

OCTOBER

- 03-04 CSRG Charity Challenge Historic- Sonoma

DECEMBER

- 12 ZONC Annual Banquet**



33rd Annual ZCON in Nashville

September 14-19, 2020

<http://zcon.org/conventions/2020/>

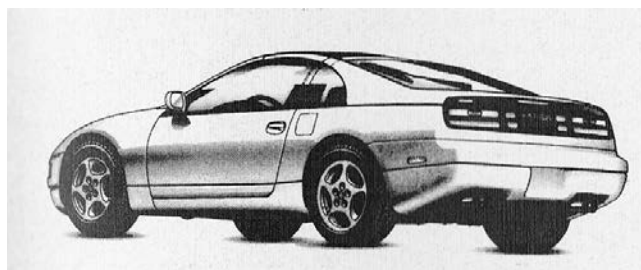
Kyusha Festival for Japanese Classic Cars

The Golden Week Kyusha Festival is returning to Northern California again.

This will be a fantastic gathering for Japanese classic cars at the Crane Way Pavillion in Richmond, Ca.

This Event has been **postponed**, so check the web site below for a new date.

www.gwkfest.events/



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Please make check or money order payable to: **ZONC.**

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2173 DOLEN CT., SANTA ROSA, CA 95401

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

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ZCON 2019 Merchandise

Check out what is available at their web site.

<http://zcca.org/merchandise/>

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