



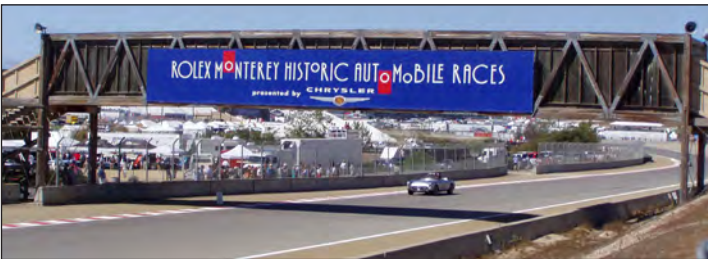
Z NEWS

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Monterey Historics Cancelled for 2020

By Bob Jenkins



Laguna Seca management on June 13th cancelled the MOTORSPORTS REUNION for 2020. The announcement came just days after media reports that negotiations between the track's new management and the new volunteer workers, needed to stage a major event, had broken down.

The track said it will refund all entry fees, as well as camping space and ticket purchases.

The track also said it would host a "Drivers Appreciation Weekend" under the rental guidelines on August 8-9 so racers can exercise their vehicles on the historic circuit.

Please Welcome New Member. . .

David Gurule 240Z

Profiles Wanted

Let your fellow ZONCERS get to know you better!

- Talk about yourself and the vehicles you own
- What you like about ZONC
- What events you would like to see
- It would be great if you included picture of yourself and your car

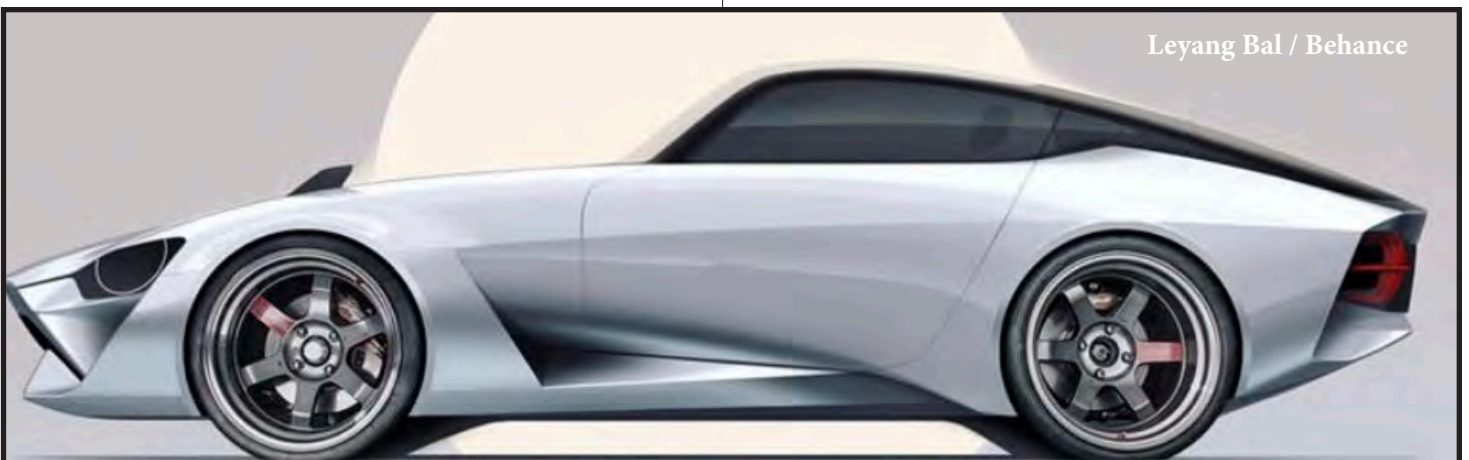
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ZONC on ZOOM

Join us on July 12th at 11:30am. The link will be sent in the email when the Z NEWS is sent. Discussion will be about the remainder of the year events/runs

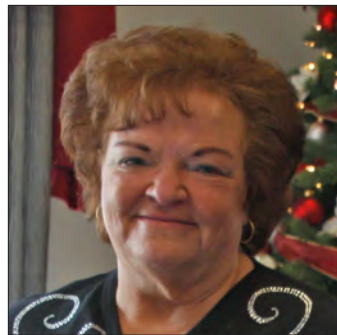
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On Z Road Again

By Linda Williams



July 2020

Happy 4th of July to everyone!! I'm sure most of you are getting a little antsy and would like to get out and have some fun runs with our **ZONC** family! I know I am ready!

It's hard to fathom that there have about 9 million cases of COVID-19 and more than 435,000 deaths worldwide. In the USA we have had over 2.3 million confirmed cases with over 120,000 deaths. This is probably the most significant event that I have had happen in my lifetime and can't imagine what the numbers will be as time goes on. Hopefully California will continue moving into Phase 3 and Phase 4 as the summer gets going, which will allow a little more freedom for everyone to get out. This is definitely going to be a year to remember in more ways than one.

Our monthly meetings have been cancelled until further notice and have a place to hold them. Most of our club business is being held with the board members on a conference call or ZOOM. There hasn't been a lot going on and nothing to vote on.

I will be putting together a survey and will be asking how our members feel about getting together and what suggestions everyone may have as to **When** and **Where** we should have our events/runs for the rest of the year. If people are thinking it's going to be OK to get out, let's DO IT! The two events that have not changed are the **ZONC** Annual Picnic on September 27th and our Annual Awards Banquet in December. I'm still planning on a BBQ at my house in Fort Bragg in combination with a Fun Run put on by Ken and Mary from Vacaville to the coast. The date is still TBD as of now. BLACKHAWK MUSEUM has re-opened so there may a chance we can have a Meet and Greet up there before the summer ends. I just need to work out the details and figure out when it won't be hotter than heck.

I normally would keep some things out of my column,

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but I have to acknowledge that another black man, George Floyd, was killed by the police along with a others over the last couple of months. There is no good way to say it, this is such a travesty and should not be tolerated. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family and friends. May George rest in peace and know that there are a lot of people that will keep his memory alive to hopefully bring more awareness to the 'Black Lives Matter' movement and stop the racism that exists in America and around the World.

Please continue to follow the restrictions set by the Governor and Health Agencies and keep you and your family safe and healthy.

Safe travels!

New Nissan Book



from the Chris Willes website

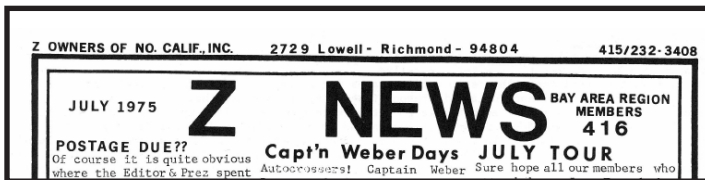
One cool book that was just released is, former ELECTRAMOTIVE Engineer, Chris Willes' new book titled, DEVELOPING A CHAMPION, with insightful information from Geoff Brabham and Don Devendorf.

This book contains the beginning of ELECTRAMOTIVE's racing history in 1975 with the Datsun B210 and 280zx race cars as well as detailing IMSA history from 1985-1989 all while featuring professional photos never before seen in this 12 chapter, 400 page book.

If you are a big Nissan history buff and have always been interested in the GTP story, check out the link below to order DEVELOPING A CHAMPION!

<https://www.chriswillesautoracingbooks.com>





Z NEWS July 1975

By Bob Jenkins

This newsletter was a 6-page affair and on the front page were 6 articles about what was going on in **ZONC**. **POSTAGE DUE** was the heading on one article that stated the ZNEWS editors had mailed the newsletter from the DOCA Convention in Santa Maria for 10 cents which the Post Office said was enough, but not all postal scales weigh the same and some members got their newsletter "postage due". Another article talked about 1975 Datsun Owners Clubs Assoc. Convention in Santa Maria where **ZONC** members did very well in the events, which included a Funkhana, Car Show, a Rallye, and almost all of the 15 **ZONC**ers won a trophy or award. A **CAPT'N WEBER DAYS** article talked about an autocross at the Port of Stockton. A **PAN-AM School** article talked about a chalk talk to be held to learn how to run the **PAN-AM Rallye** to Mexico. A **July Tour** article talked about a run to Madonna State Park in Watsonville, where a picnic would be held. The final article on the front page was titled **280Z Review** and talked about the clinic on the **280Z** held at Pierotti Datsun, which 35 members attended.

A Club Stores article stated there were Z Floor Mats, Deck Mats, Z Bras, Emergency Kits, and Saftey Brakers for sale.

There were also rallye results where 23 **ZONCERS** were listed and autocross results where 22 **ZONCERS** were listed.

On the last page was a July calendar and a listing of **ZONC** Officers starting with Mike Lawrence President, Jack Kane Vice President, Paula Laskelle Secretary, Juris Dundurs Treasurer, Jim Warych Activities Chairman, Frank & Sloane Glasser Marin Area Coordinator, Joe & Sally Roberts San Francisco Area Coordinator, Ed Mills San Jose Area Coordinator, Bob Jenkins Sonoma Area Coordinator, Paula Laskelle Walnut Creek Area Coordinator, Donna Lawrence ZNews Editor, and Dave Vanek Tech Advisor.

At the time **ZONC** was divided up into two areas, the Bay Area and the Sacramento Area. The Bay Area had 416 members.

How it All Began

By a 240Z

This is the story of a gold 240z. I came to Santa Rosa, California in the fall of 1970.

My dealer, Torvick Datsun said that I was a 1970 model. The DMV calls me a 1971 model.

Boy was life confusing and I was only a few months old.

As I sat in the dealership, I wondered who my new owner would be. Then one day I hear the Dealer say that the man who ordered me did not want me. Boy was I sad. I had heard that Sonoma County, where Santa Rosa is located had great windy back roads and I was just itching to get out on them and feel my driver shifting through the gears.

Then a young man appeared in the Dealership late one night and under the light checked out my gold paint and sleek lines. I kinda of think it was love at first sight.

The next day he appeared again and told the Dealer that he really wanted a sports car, as he had been driving Volvos and he wanted a car to really drive the roads with a car club or two. Now, I wasn't sure what a car club was, but, he said he wanted to drive, my kinda of guy!

So, I held my breath until he was given the keys to take me home. (At that time there was no test driving of new Z cars.) I liked the way he drove. Confident and letting me take the corners as I wished.

I was so happy to be going home with a good owner, who would wash, wax, detail and keep me well tuned and 50 years later he still does and we're still in love.

HAPPY JUNE

BIRTHDAYS...

Lois Apperson

Ricardo Catahan

Beau Davidson

Ken Kawabata

Eric Lindrud

Eugene Veteska

Jason Townsend

Andy Wiskes

*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!*

2005 Trip To Travis Air Force Base



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

Sacramento Datsun Runs

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|---------|-----------------------------|
| 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/sacdatsun/



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

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 *Postponed*
- 07-09 GT World Challenge Am Ser, Sonoma Raceway
- 08-09 Monterey Pre-reunion
- 13-16 Rolex M. Motorsport Reunion, Laguna Seca *Canceled*

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
- 26-27 ZDAY CALIFORNIA
- 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/>

Datsuns & Nissans in Action in the North Bay



Virtual Car Shows

Check out Autoweek.com for a list of virtual car shows. Let **ZONC** know if you've entered your car.

The 1st video is **The Petersen Museum's Global Cars & Coffee**. Followed by the **Gilmore Car Museum**. There is a **Ford Performance Virtual Car Show** and the **Good Guys Rod & Custom Shows**. Then there is the **Holley Has Virtual Car Shows**. Also, a **Radwood Offers VRadwood**. **DUB Magazine's DIB Show Worldwide**. Also, **Viginia Car Care Company**. A **Hot Rod Hotline** and **Racing Junk**. Lastly, **Shining Bright Virtual Exhibition** at **Audrain Automobile Museum**.

<https://www.autoweek.com/car-life/events/g32310921/top-10-virtual-car-shows-2020/>



ZONC 2019 Car Show Sponsors

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- Mother's**
- Motorsport Industries**
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- San Jose Auto Steam Clean**
- SF 49ers**
- Tint World, Santa Clara**
- ZCar Garage**
- ZCCA**

Z MART ADS

Members: no charge for nonbusiness ads

(include membership # with ad)

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Please send via email with photos, if possible

(.gif or .jpg of 100 to 150 KB in size) to:

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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**.

Please send ad with payment to:

BOB JENKINS, Z MART
2173 DOLEN CT., SANTA ROSA, CA 95401



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| Full Page | \$55 | \$303 | \$495 |
| 1/2 Page | \$35 | \$184 | \$315 |
| 1/4 Page | \$25 | \$125 | \$200 |
| Bus. Card | \$15 | \$68 | \$90 |

ZCON 2019 Merchandise

Check out what is available at their web site.

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

ZONC...Sharing a Love for Fun & Cars
21001 SAN RAMON VALLEY BLVD. STE. A4, BOX # 184
SAN RAMON, CA 94583



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