



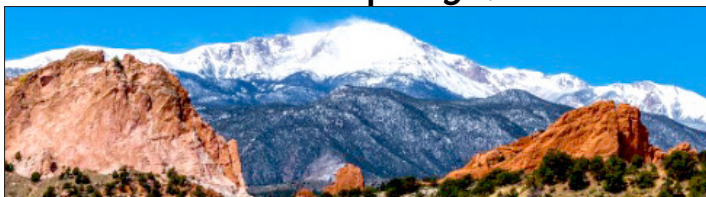
# Z NEWS

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**34th ZCON**  
**August 16-22, 2021**  
**Colorado Springs, Co**



<http://zcon.org/conventions/2021/schedule/>

**New Year, New ZCON! Are you ready?**

Happy New Year ZCCA friends!

ZCON registration is open now!

Don't forget to use the coupon code, **EARLYBIRD15** for \$15 off your registration through 3/15/21.

Our room block is open and we have plenty of rooms set aside.

For more information regarding Colorado Springs ZCON 2021, please visit [www.ZCON.org](http://www.ZCON.org).

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## On Z Road Again

By Linda Williams



Welcome to February 2021!!

So glad 2020 is over and we're making progress towards seeing the Covid-19 Virus begin declining so we can begin to get back to some sort of normality. I know this won't happen very fast, but I'm encouraged. Welcome to our new President, Joe Biden and Vice President, Kamala Harris.

We held our January Planning meeting via ZOOM with 10 members in attendance. Financially, we are where we like to be with our balances in the bank. Our membership numbers are still holding, gaining a few new members and losing a few others. We have voted to extend the Lifetime Membership of Johnnie Gable (may she rest in peace) to her son, Kenny. She has always supported ZONC and is an icon to the Datsun community.

Two Area Representative positions still remain open, San Mateo and Solano counties. If you are interested, please contact me and I can give you the details. Currently, there is very little that a representative does, except to be available when members have questions in their areas or possibly have a quick last-minute fun run.

Our General Meetings will continue to be held on the second Sunday of the month, with the exception of February, which will be held on Feb 7<sup>th</sup> due to Valentine's Day the following weekend. I'm sure most of you will make the best of that day with your special someone!

With all of the Covid restrictions, it was difficult to make plans that we can actually book this early. That still doesn't prevent you from possibly doing a short day-run with fewer cars and practicing social distancing.

Here is a list of the proposed events for 2021 that we discussed:

April Fool's Rallye has been cancelled.

Contra Costa/St Patrick's Day Run is cancelled due to Covid.

Datslocos Annual Swap Meet is **May 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Manteca (check their FB page)

**Blackhawk Gathering** is tentatively planned for **June 12<sup>th</sup>** 9am - 1pm.

**Fort Bragg BBQ and Fun Run** tentatively planned for **July 12<sup>th</sup>**.

**Coastal Run** or short day runs by the bay – We need volunteers to set it up.

**Annual Car Show** at the **Brisbane Marina** is tentatively planned for **September 19<sup>th</sup>**.

**RMMR-Rolax Monterey Motorsports Reunion** is **August 12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>**. There is no corral planned.

**ZCON 2021**, Colorado Springs, CO (1,317 miles from the BA) **August 16<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>**. Early registration ends 3/15 (\$15 off – coupon code: EARLYBIRDS15) There is a block of room set aside at the Hotel Elegante Conference and Event Center. More information is available on: <http://zcon.org>

**IMSA**, Weathertech Raceway Laguna Seca is **September 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>**.

**Indy Grand Prix Racing** is **September 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>**.

**Annual ZONC Picnic**, the date **TBD**.

**Awards Banquet and Installation of 2022 Officers**, the date **TBD**.

Continue to check **SacDatsun** FB page for monthly fun runs.

**Congratulations** to the 12 members of **ZONC** that had their cars pictured in the **ZCON 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** book put together by Art Singer. The book is very interesting and full of pictures that really show the love of the 'Z' cars.

Please continue to stay healthy and safe,



Please Welcome

New Member...

Edwin Velazquez

350Z



## Dreaming of a Contra Costa Cruise

By Ann Devor

Ordinarily in mid-January Paul and I would be scoping out the next **Contra Costa Cruise** route and charting mileage, time, restroom and food locations. Sadly, because of the pandemic for the second year in a row we will not be hosting a **CCCruise**. We have a responsibility to all of you to keep you safe and until our local regulations permit us to get together, we'll just have to wait. There's always that glimmer of hope for the future and the question of where would we go? Here's three possible routes we have checked out.

**Cordelia Junction to Lake Hennessey, Lake Berryessa and Pleasants Valley.** The worst is first. Starting on Hwy. 12 to the Silverado Trail everything was normal. Turning toward Berryessa on 128, we climbed the hill to Lake Hennessey which was also fine. Then at the crest of the hills above the lake, the devastation began. The burn scars were on both sides of the road. The battle had been lost here. Continuing on 128 to the south east end of the Lake Berryessa, there were 20 ft. piles of fire debris along the road. A lot of work has been done to cut down damaged trees. The turn-out at the dam was packed with construction workers and equipment installing a chain link blanket on the rocky cliffs above the dam. Below the dam, the Canyon Creek Resort and the parking and restrooms along Putah Creek were saved. Turning on Pleasants Valley Rd., the valley is toast. White plastic fencing is melted and falling like a Dali painting. Some buildings were saved but many were not. We did not stop to eat or use a restroom on this trip. Bottom line: If you were hoping for a beautiful St. Patrick's Day fun run, you would not take this route.

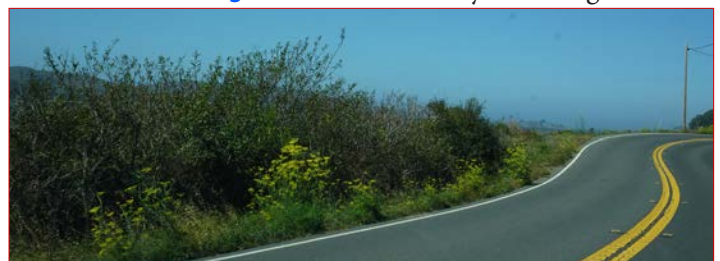
**Livermore, Mines Road to The Junction, Del Puerto Canyon and Patterson.** Not quite as bad was the road to Mt. Hamilton, although we didn't go to the Lick Observatory that

was close to burning down in the SCU Lightening Complex fire. We recently learned that Del Puerto Canyon is going to be turned into a reservoir and the road will disappear under water. (That explains why the orchards are dead and the road is poorly maintained.) These facts made it important to drive it again soon. Briefly, the fire scars start around Mile 18 of Mines Rd., mostly on the southeastern side. It looks like Mines Rd. was a successful fire break almost all the way to The Junction. The Junction restaurant survived the fire, but it is closed so there was no stopping for food. Construction equipment and trucks were parked at the end of the driveway. Turning on Del Puerto Canyon Rd., the burn scars went nearly all the way to I-5 and Patterson. The road was its usual mess. We stopped at the Frank Raines Regional Park OHV park to use the open restrooms. A little farther down the canyon, the Regional Park playground and picnic area are in good shape and open for recreation. Bottom line: I would do this route again because of its historic significance but not too sure if I would highly recommend it.

**Vallejo to Tomales Bay and back to Petaluma.** This is not exactly **CCCruise** territory but it's a great escape. The roads are good and fire damage is farther out at Pt. Reyes. One day in November we took Hwy. 37 to Novato through the Black Point neighborhood. Traveling on Novato Blvd., we turned at the painted bridge and on to Pt. Reyes Station. Continuing on Hwy. 1, one of the most beautiful roads in the world, we stopped at Tony's in Marshall for an outdoor lunch which was permissible at the time. They had an open and clean restroom. We returned home, driving north toward Tomales and making our way back on Tomales Petaluma Rd. and Chileno Valley Rd. to Petaluma. Bottom line: You could drive this day run and forget about fires and pandemics.

Thinking about Paul's and my next day run for the club, where would we go? Does everybody want to see fire destruction or would they rather get away from it all? After being cooped up for over a year, we'll go anywhere!

[anndevor@gmail.com](mailto:anndevor@gmail.com) welcomes your thoughts!



### 2007 ZONC General Meeting in Elk Grove

A scheduled General Meeting at Elk Grove Nissan had a last minute piggy back display by Nissan Corporate of the Nismo Z.

Jennifer Hoppe a Nismo agent flew out from Tennessee to describe some of the differences and answer questions about the new Nismo Z.



2009 Feather River Run



**Sac Datsun Events**

- February 20 Capay Valley Fun Run
- March 20 Rail Town 1887 Fun Run
- April 17 Bridgeport Bridge Fun Run
- May 22 Datsloco Swap Meet
- July 17 Feather River Fun Run
- August 21 Santa Cruz Fun Run
- September 11 US 40 Fun Run
- October 16 Leafers Fun Run
- November 20 Calaveras Big Trees FunRun

For more info go to  
[www.facebook.com/sacdatsun/](http://www.facebook.com/sacdatsun/)

**2021 ZONC and Other Car Events**

**February**

**07 SUN**

**ZONC Virtual Regular Meeting**

**March**

**14 SUN**

**ZONC Virtual Regular Meeting**

**APRIL**

11 &12

CSRG Love Historic Car Races (SR)

23-25

SVRA Sportscar Vintage Racing (SR)

23 & 24

Solvang Roadster Meet

23-25

IMSA Sports Car Championship (LS)

29-5-2

Trans Am SpeedFest (LS)

**May**

02

Trans Am SpeedFest (LS)

22

**Datslocos Car Show & Swapmeet**

(See flyer on page 6)

**June**

02-06

Branson Z Fest, Branson, Mo

<http://bransonzfest.org/>

06

NASCAR Cup Series (SR)

06-12

**ZONC Blackhawk Gathering 9am - 1 pm**

24-26

Mt. Shasta Roadster Show

**July**

7-12

Ft. Bragg BBQ - Fun Run

**August**

07-08

Monterey Pre Reunion (LS)

12-15

Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion (LS)

**September**

10-11

IMSA Monterey Sprrts Car Chanpionship

**12**

**Annual ZONC Brisbane Car Show**

17-19

IndyCar Grand Prix (LS)

22

Sonoma Speed Festival (SR)

**October**

02-03

CSRG Charity Vintage Car Races (SR)

**TBD**

**ZONC Annual Picnic**

**December**

**TBD**

**ZONC Annual Banquet**

Editor's Note: (LS) Laguna Seca Raceway  
 (SR) Sonoma Raceway



**HAPPY FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS...**

- William Hickman**
- Ruth Huffman**
- Patricia Kirscher**
- Craig Koloske**
- Joseph Longmire**
- Roger Martin**
- Michael Masui**

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Car Show & Swapmeet

**DATSLLOCOS 16TH ANNUAL CARSHOW & SWAPMEET**  
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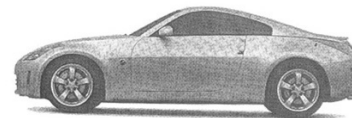
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