



# Z NEWS

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### ZMARIO 30 YEAR OLD BIRTHDAY DRIVE

**Sunday, October 8, 2023**

**Meeting place:** Chevron Station, Isabella and Vineyard,  
39 E. Vineyard Ave., Livermore, CA 94550

**Time:** 9:30a.m., depart at 10:00am

Backroads, most of which ZMario has taken me for bike rides, and patiently waited many hours for me to return. Details/route will follow.

I would love for someone to drive Mario Junior so he can attend his big brother's very important birthday party/drive!

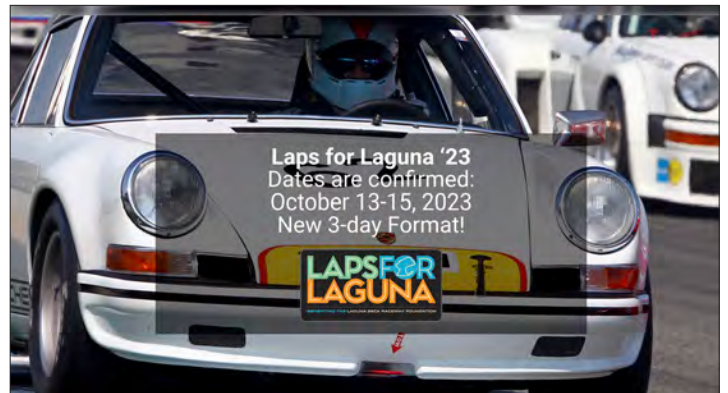
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New engine and transmission  
at 369kmiles



#### Namesake



Laps for Laguna '23  
Dates are confirmed:  
October 13-15, 2023  
New 3-day Format!

### October 13 - 15 Laps for Laguna – Free CSG Event!

By Ann Devor

BRING-A-TRAILER together with the CLASSIC SPORTS RACING GROUP (CSRG) will present LAPS FOR LAGUNA vintage car racing at WEATHERTECH RACEWAY LAGUNA SECA on **October 13-15, 2023**.

Spectator admission to the event is FREE with a downloaded guest pass available at [www.lapsforlaguna.com](http://www.lapsforlaguna.com).

Donations are requested to benefit the LAGUNA SECA RACEWAY FOUNDATION, a charitable organization set up to help provide community access to the county-owned racetrack.

And yes! Datsuns will be racing with other fantastic vintage racecars, so don't miss it!

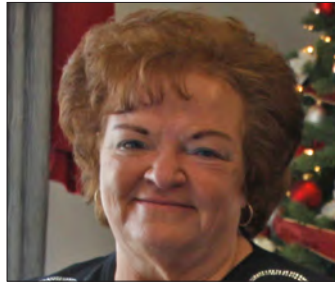
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## On Z Road Again

Linda Williams



Welcome Fall! It has been a great Summer but now we will have all the Fall colors to enjoy as we take our cars out for a few last-minute drives to enjoy the weather before it takes a turn and Mother Nature decides it's time to rain on us.

On Sept 10th, ZONC had our **Annual Car Show** at the Brisbane Marina, our favorite place to hold this event. The weather was perfect for the day with about 50 cars registered for the car show. The San Francisco fog was hanging over the coastal hills but managed to stay away for the day allowing the sunshine to show off all the beautiful cars. This year was very different in the number of car models that were on display. The Z31 and Z32's made an outstanding statement and had more on display than our normal heavy showing of 240Zs. Only 1 roadster was present, no 260Zs, only 2 280Zs and 1 280ZX. We did have 2 of the 2023 Nissan Z's as well as several 350Z and 370Z's, as well as a couple 510's. The GT-R's had a beautiful display of cars too! There were no Infiniti G35 or G37's this year either.

Congratulations to all the winners and to Kit Man Chan for taking the Best of Show trophy! We did have a 4-way tie that was decided by the draw of a card, this had never happened before.

Also, there were a couple ties for 1st place and we were fortunate enough to have extra trophies that were awarded to both of the First Place winners.

There were several items donated by many ZONC members that made the raffle very exciting this year. Thanks to everyone that made the contributions! We had several posters that were brought back from ZCON in Ontario that were signed by John Morton, Peter Brock and others. Cynthia Myers Glass donated a beautiful hand etched pitcher, BRE had donated a nice wooden box with a special encased spark plug that was signed by Peter Brock and had a certificate of authenticity. There were many other items that were raffled off along with many different gift cards and Costco Cash

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Cards. Everyone seemed to enjoy the fun!

A big THANK YOU to everyone that volunteered to help with the setup/tear-down and help with registration/parking and overall teamwork that made the show an absolute success. Thanks to Katherine (Jason's daughter) for all her help with drawing the raffle tickets also.

Our **ZONC ANNUAL PICNIC** is on **October 7<sup>th</sup>** at the COYOTE POINT RECREATION AREA for current ZONC members. ZONC will provide the hamburgers, sausages, and fixings, along with the condiments, water, sodas and a birthday cake. Everyone is asked to bring a side dish (salad, chips, etc) that can be shared with the group.

Safe Travels~

### Please Welcome New Members . . .

Alson Lara	GT-R	Aaron Taylor	2023Z
Rey Punao	240Z	John Friedl	240Z
Jim Wilson	240Z	Derick Waters	
Howard Johnson	280Z		

### ZONC Board Nomination Acceptance for 2024

#### PRESIDENT

I accept the nomination for President.

*Linda Williams*

#### VICE PRESIDENT

I formally accept the nomination of Vice President of ZONC for 2024.

*~ Oscar Lemus*

#### VICE PRESIDENT ADM.

I, *Bob Russell*, accept the nomination of Vice President Adm. for 2024

#### TREASURER

I accept the nomination of Treasurer for 2024.

*Wade Warren*

#### SECRETARY

I, *Jason Green*, accept the nomination of Secretary.

# PICNIC

## OCT. 7

### Coyote Point Rec Area

Eucalyptus Group Area 4  
1701 Coyote Point Drive  
San Mateo, CA

ZONC Provides BBQ, Deserts, Drinks  
Please Bring a Side Dish to Share

\$6 Entry Fee Per Vehicle  
(Veterans w/ID Park Free)

Picnic is Free to ZONC Members  
and Kids Under 13  
\$5 to All Others



1972-2023

Join Us 10am-2pm

RSVP by Oct. 1, 2023, to [President@ZONC.ORG](mailto:President@ZONC.ORG)



## ZONC Annual Car Show

All photos on this page by Bob Jenkins



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## ZONC CAR SHOW

### Brisbane, CA 09/10/2023

By Joseph Keawkalaya

Photos on this page by Joseph Keawkalaya

One of the most anticipated **ZONC** events is the Annual Car Show at the Brisbane Marina. This car show has been around for many years and it is held at the perfect time each year, at the end of summer, right before fall. Summer 2023 has been one of the hotter ones on record, so it was nice to have the outdoor car show in pleasant Bay Area weather. Some car owners I spoke to drove up from Southern California while others drove down from Sacramento and Placer Counties.

We had a good number of preregistered cars in attendance but also had many drive-up entries as well. In addition to the car show itself, tables were set up for merchandise, including cool swag from ZCON. Raffle tickets were also available to purchase for the chance to win all kinds of unique items like posters, shirts, and donated items from show sponsors. Refreshments were also available from a food truck that offered hot foods, drinks, and snacks for purchase.

If you are a Datsun and/or Nissan fan, you would have been impressed by the variety of cars in attendance. On display were Zs of different generations, from the 240Zs all the way up to the current Z, as well as a large contingent of 510s, older trucks, GT-Rs, and a Roadster. Mild to wild, there was something there to pique every person's interest. Many in attendance came to meander through the rows of cars and snap pictures, share cool stories with each other, hang out with old friends, and make new friends.

To me, as a Z32 owner, this was one of the largest gatherings of Z32s at the Annual Car Show in recent memory. Personally, this was truly exciting, though I have just as much love for Zs



of every year. It's all about the history, traditions, and sacrifices that brought these wonderful machines to the market. Not only do I love Zs, but I have love and admiration for all the Nissan and Datsun cars that were at the show. Clearly, every car on display had a story to tell and was lovingly taken care of by its owner.

Prior to the conclusion of the show, raffle prizes were given, and then the awards were presented to the winners of the People's Choice votes. Many people I talked to have promised to come back next year because they loved this year's show. If you missed it this year, plan on coming out next September and show your car. Or at the very least, come as a spectator. You will not be disappointed. Every **ZONC** Car Show is a blast and next year's should be no different. Looking forward to seeing you in 2024!

Thanks to Linda, the executive team, and volunteers who helped to organize and plan the event. Thanks also to the volunteers on the day of the show who helped to set up, organize, manage the event, and clean up and tear down. None of this would be possible without all of the volunteers, car show attendees, and spectators.



## Congratulations to all of our 2023 ZONC Car Show Winners !!

**Model****1<sup>st</sup> Place Winner****2<sup>nd</sup> Place Winner**

510

*Barbara Jervis**Sean Morris*

Roadster

*Hotep Brown*

240Z Stock

*Bruce Leninger**Bill Hickman*

240Z Mod

*Ken Clark**Joey Bautista*

260

*(No entries)*

280Z

*Chris Morrison/Steven Johnson (tied)**Allen Young*

280ZX

*Dave Carelli*

300ZX Z31

*Derick Waters*

300ZX Z32

*Joseph Keawkalaya**Michael Thomas*

350Z

*Yu Tang**Ann Devor*

370Z

*Garven Chen/Devin Pascua (tied)**Jason Green*

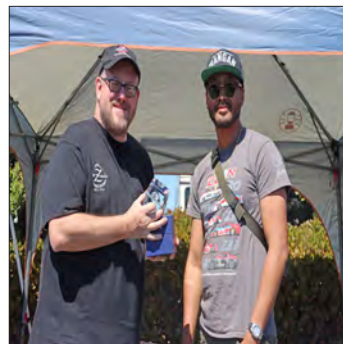
2023Z/ GT-R

*Bob Russell**Kit Man Chan*

G35/G37

*(No Entries)*

Other

*(No entries)***Best of Show***Kit Man Chan**(tie chosen by draw)*

**Best of Show****Kit Man Chan**

*Photo above by Jason Green*



## ZONC 2023 Car Show Sponsors

**Nissan-USA**

**Z Car Garage**

**BRE - Brock Racing Enterprise**

**Cynthia Myers Glass**

**ZCCA - Z Car Club Association**

**La Guera Taco Truck**

## ZONC Annual Car Show

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## Mecum Auctions Rogers Z Collection

By Ann Devor

Photography by Paul Gommel

Mecum Auctions sold eight museum quality Zs from Mike and Debbie Rogers' car collection on August 19, 2023, at the Del Monte Golf Course in Monterey. Mecum displayed the cars as a collection in the main auction tent, allowing everyone to see the cars on opening day and then wait for the auction on Saturday, the last day of the three-day event. Mecum did an excellent job of presenting the cars and gave each one a high value estimate. And Mecum got excellent results. In order of sale, here are the very special Zs that were offered and sold:

**Lot S82, 1970 Nissan Fairlady Z432, \$297,000.** This JDM Z is 1 of 299 built from 1969-1970. The 432 model stands for its engine built with 4 valves per cylinder, 3 carburetors, and 2 camshafts. The engine is said to have come from the Prince Motor Company that produced it for the Skyline GT-R. Nissan paired it in the Z432 with a 5-speed transmission. This car won Best of Show at ZCON in 2021. Without question, it is a very special Z and was the highest sale in the



Rogers' auction collection.

**Lot S83, 1972 Datsun 240Z, \$66,000.** Nissan had a short-lived Vintage Z program in 1996 that restored old original Zs with new Japanese OEM parts. This lime yellow Z is one of those Nissan Vintage Zs. It has been driven and shows 47,709



**Lot S84, 1969 Datsun 240Z, \$132,000.** This pristine white Z recently completed an 8-year restoration at ZCar Garage. It is serial number 193 of the 538 240Zs produced in 1969 but sold as 1970 240Zs. A picture book was on display with the car and opened to a photo of the 240Z at ZCar Garage, with a handwritten note, "ZCar Garage took it to the next level." It could not have been more perfect.



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### Lot S85, 1980 Datsun 280ZX 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, \$231,000.

Here we have the Queen of 280ZXs, one of only 500 anniversary cars painted in red and black and with only 25 miles on the odometer. The story behind this car is of love and care by a Datsun dealer who received the car after being a top seller. Other lesser dealers would get one of the 2500 black and gold versions of the anniversary model. The dealer-owner is said to have kept the Z in storage for 42 years before selling it to the Rogers. The car has since won numerous awards at ZCON including Most Original Z in 2022, 1<sup>st</sup> Place for stock 280ZX and 1<sup>st</sup> Place People's Choice. The final auction price far exceeded its estimated value of \$150,000-200,000.



**Lot S86, 1984 Nissan 300ZX Turbo 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, \$49,500.** 1984 is the first year that Nissan changed the Z design quite a bit, substituting a V6 engine in place of the tried and true inline 6. This Anniversary Turbo model was produced with a special body kit painted in metallic silver with black accents. Despite its rarity with only 5,148 built, this Z was the lowest seller of the auction group.

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### Lot S87, 1978 Datsun 280Z Black Pearl Edition, \$90,200.

The black pearl paint and red pin-stripping on this Z is spectacular, especially considering that the car is original and unrestored. This striking 280Z has rear window louvers. Black paint had not been seen on a Z until 1978 when, for the first time, Datsun produced cars in a color they had avoided because of its cultural association with death. But black was instantly a very popular color in the United States and still looks fantastic today.



**Lot S88, 1977 Datsun 280Z ZZZAP Edition, \$71,500.** This Z, in Sunburst Yellow paint, sports a special décor package along with rear window louvers. The ZZZAP badging was connected to a video game, 280 ZZZAP, and was the first time a product was placed and promoted in a video game. This car was restored and was recently shown at ZCON 2023 in Ontario before shipping to Monterey for the auction.

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**Lot S89, 1983 Nissan 280ZX Turbo, \$99,000.** The second biggest surprise of the day, this 280ZX Turbo also beat its projected value of \$50,000-75,000. This is the last year that Zs had inline 6 motors and the last year for the S130 body. It was also the last car of the Rogers collection to go up on the Mecum auction block. Sadly, we were not able to get a good photo of it, but take our word for it, it deserved every penny that it got.

Other Datsuns and Nissans were offered by Mecum in Monterey. Lot T191, a 1972 Datsun 240Z went for \$33,000. It was in very good shape, having had only 1 owner who put 24,100 miles on it. Lot F48.1, a 1971 Datsun 240Z Custom Roadster, modified with an LSX V-8 crate engine, sold for \$46,200. Lot T214, a 1996 Nissan Skyline R33 GT-R was auctioned for \$57,200 with restrictions that it be sold out of state or to a dealer. Three other cars were DNS - did not sell. A bronze metallic 240Z, a black 2008 350Z and a black 2003 350Z Touring were in such bad shape, no one wanted to bid on them. The highest offer for the 2008 350Z was \$7,000. Some might think they would be lucky to get that.

Auctions, and particularly Mecum, can be an adventure with the good, the bad and the ugly. Not every auction has an outstanding collection of Datsun and Nissan Z cars that can bring astronomical prices. The Mecum 2023 auction was special and surprising in high sales prices that recognized the history, performance, and beautiful condition of the Rogers' Zs. At the end of the auction, it was easy to see that early Z cars remain strong favorites here in the United States and in the sports car world at large.

## More ZONC Annual Car Show Photos

Photo's below by Joseph Keawkalaya



## Happy October Birthdays

Frankie Armstead

Andrew Balaguy

Garett Fujimura

Paul Gommel

Peter Huang

Peter Iozzia

Joseph Keawkalaya

Bruce Leininger

Larry Robert

*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!*

## 2023 ZONC and Other Car Events

### OCTOBER

#### 07 ZONC Picnic

07 Japanese Classic Car Show, Long Beach

#### 08 ZONC ZMario Birthday Fun Run

06-07 Route 66 JDM Classic Williams, AZ

13-15 CSRG Track Days at Laguna Seca

### NOVEMBER

11 Calaveras Big Trees Fun Run (Sac Datsun)

12 ZONC Zoom Meeting

### DECEMBER

02 Dave Pare Memorial Toy Run

TBA ZONC Banquet or Fun Run

(LS) Laguna Seca Raceway (SR) Sonoma Raceway

Check websites and Facebook for the latest information to learn if the events are going to happen as scheduled.

## Sac Datsun Events

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



## ZONC Member Profiles Wanted

Let your fellow ZONCERS get to know you better!  
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Also include a picture of yourself and your car and send to the ZNEWS editor at:

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