



# The Odometer

052005

-Colorado's Meeting Place for All Datsun/Nissan Enthusiasts-

DATSUN

The Official Newsletter of the Z Car Club of  
Colorado  
Established 1983

NISSAN

## What's Inside

- Go Cart Event
- **Mystery Trip**
- Tynan Town Member's Specials
- **Prez' letter**
- Meeting Minutes
- **Members' Update Points**
- Membership
- **Guest Speakers**
- May's Birthday
- **Harry Mathews Collection Tour**
- 22nd Annual Exotic Sports Car Show & Concours d' Elegance Day
- **Mystery Trip (cont'd)**
- Picnic at Lair 'o the Bear Park
- **Shelby American Collection Tour**
- Drive to Ft. Laramie
- **General Information**
- 2005 Golf Tournament
- **Z Car Trader & Parts**
- 350 Modifications
- **Track Events & Registration**
- Up Coming Events

## Go Cart Event 2005 by Mike Goddard



Bring your driving skill and appetite. Once again, it's time for our annual Go Cart event with Tynan's

Nissan. This event determines who flips burgers at the ZCCC summer BBQ. *I sincerely hope I don't have to flip burgers again.* It's somewhat embarrassing to be a

member of a sports car club and loose a go-cart race. This year the three fastest times from each team will decide the winner. We have decided to try this event this spring rather than late summer due to high temperatures. We will meet at Bandimere Speedway on **Saturday June 4<sup>th</sup> 2005 at 09:00 A.M.** Once again, enter at gate B. After we have embarrassed the Tynan's Service Dept we will meet at the Morrison Inn for lunch and a large helping of excuses. Go-Cart prices are as follows; **first ten laps \$35.00 subsequent 10-lap sessions are \$30.00.** For those who have trouble rising so early ZCCC will provide coffee and donuts before racing.

## Mystery Trip By Patty Troxell

**On May 14, 2005, Saturday.** we will meet at the 6th and Simms RTD Park-n-Ride at **9am.** Don't be late, you can't catch up if you don't know where we are going. We will have a short coffee stop about 10 miles into the trip. The route will take us over a pass and we will be on winding roads with spectacular views. About 41 miles from the start, we will stop and each person can guess the name of the town of our final destination. Continued on page 5.



When it's Time...it's Tynan's

**Tynan Town the Official Sponsor of The Z Car Club of Colorado**

**Z Car Club of Colorado**

## **Tynan Town's member specials**

**By Jay Kettering**

- 6 Cylinder Platinum tune-up \$154.99
- Free on the road package BG MOA & MI 3000 additives with 4 month 4000 mile Roadside assistance (flat tire, out of gas, lock key in car, towing up to \$75, jump-start.
- Cooling system flush for \$84.00 plus tax \*
- Radiator drain & fill for \$46.00 plus tax \*
- Free engine timing belt with timing belt replacement service\*\*
- AC system performance check up to 1 pound of Freon, \$99.99 plus tax
- Alignment any car, \$59.99

\* These are discounted prices & 20% discount does not apply.

\*\* Some restrictions apply

**ZCCC Members must show current membership card.**

**See** Jay Kettering, your Z-VIP Service Representative, for details

**See** Mike Alderton, call Service Manager

**See** David Van Oman, your Z VIP Sales Representative

**"Order you're Z today!"**

**303-341-3471**

**Tynan Town**

**780 South Havana**

**Aurora, CO**

## **John Bilodeau's Prez's Letter**

Well summer is fast approaching and the Club is off to a great start with all of the events planned. Thanks to all for coordinating these events. I hope I am not too premature, but I want to say that the day drive to Fort Laramie went well. I say that because based on the early April snow storm and the fact that I am submitting this letter two weeks prior to the event, I am hoping that there won't be a late April snow storm to interrupt and/or postpone this trip. I for one would be the first one to bail out if there is any threat of snow in Wyoming for the Saturday April 30th drive. In fact, who wants snow in April anyway? I know we need the moisture, but I am ready for my T-shirt and shorts wardrobe, not a parka.

Chris Abrue brought up a good point about making sure that we get Track Event registration forms into the newsletter at least 2 issues before the event. I forwarded the concern to our track event experts **i.e** Gary Bracken, Roy Davis, Mike Goddard et al. Gary responded quickly with articles and applications. Thanks for keeping me honest as well. These are the Club's major money making events so keep your eyes open for the registration forms in the Odometer. Remember, these events are open to all track event enthusiasts, not just Z-Club members. So mention the events to your other Car Club friends and relatives. Heck, be nice and even invite your brother-in-law to these events. The dates are June 25 and September 10 for 2<sup>nd</sup> Creek and July 23 for the State Patrol Track event.

I want to extend a big thanks to Jay Kettering of Tynan's Nissan for speaking to the Club at our April meeting. His expertise on maintenance and other driving concerns was greatly appreciated. Jay, you don't have to be invited to our meetings. Just come anytime! We really appreciate your help in any and all of our Club activities and events.

Our May general meeting guest speaker will be a change of pace but still very interesting. Captain Kim Castellano of the Douglas County Sheriff Department will speak about various law enforcement issues. It should be a very informative talk, so please plan to attend.

Just a heads up for May's activities. We have our Mystery Drive on May 14 sponsored by Larry Troxell. He won't even tell me anything about it but it does look like a fun event. On May 21 we have the Harry Mathews Car Museum tour. This is one of my favorite events. Each year, new cars have been added by Mr. Mathews in addition to his usual stable of Ferraris, Corvettes, Cobras, and other racecars he has collected over the years. He is always gracious to the Club, so please plan on attending this event also.

Also, I do not want to forget that Sunday June 5 is the Concours d' Elegance Cerebral Palsy Benefit Car Show. The Z-Club needs to have a good showing because this is the premier summer car show in Denver. This year, the show will allow a maximum of 350 cars an increase of 50 cars from

**Z Car Club of Colorado**

last year. It is held at the Arapahoe Community College on Santa Fe Drive and it is really a fun time for all participants and visitors. I guarantee that there will be some cars there you have never seen before. Some of these vintage automobiles are only taken out of their garages for this event. So register your Z for this event and enjoy a fun day looking at automotive history.

Don't forget to refer to the Odometer for details on the rest of the summer's upcoming events. There are a number of events planned so check out the events calendar for date and times. Remember to contact Patty Troxell about scheduling any upcoming events. Finally, just a reminder to Board Members, the April Board meeting will be at **6:10 pm at Brooklyns just prior to our 7 pm General Meeting on Wednesday, May 4, 2005.**

## General Meeting Minutes April 6

by Ira Sanders

New members attending were: Ken, 2004 blue 350Z; Chris, 280Z; Katy, 1982 280ZX Turbo, and Ben, 350Z and 260Z.

No membership report as Donna Brooks is out of town.

Treasurer Larry Brooks: We have money in checking and a CD that will mature this summer.

PR Larry Troxell: The discount list is up to date though a little shorter. The Sears discount will vary according to the products purchased. No set % discount.

Secretary Ira Sanders: Minutes from March adopted. Still working on another visit to the Rambler collection in Elizabeth.

Odometer Chris Abrue: No report and no complaints about articles getting into the Odometer.

Vice-president Patty Troxell: 3 events in March. Tammy Sanders Italian Cook-off @ Tynan's had great food. Patty Troxell's Celestial Seasonings tour was fun.

Also went to the Leaning Tree greeting card art collection just down the street and then lunch in Boulder. *Cher, How were the dipping sauces?* Craig and Linda let a trip to Burlington. A very

pretty drive even though we didn't get to see the Carousel. Insurance complications.

Colorado Motor Council Dick Spear: We won't have a track next year as a new track won't be ready by then. There is a contract on 350 acres of land near Bennett for the new track but complications are creeping up from some members of the CMC. The track in Mead is not an option. Maybe the track in Pueblo will work for us.

Tech sessions at Jeff Winters are being arranged. The club will have a survey as to what the members would like covered in the tech sessions. On May 15, the Mercedes and VW clubs are going to the Shelby Museum in Boulder. We can go. Clive Cussler is opening his collection to the public, though not all of it. ? as to how much for admission.

National ZCCA Mike Goddard: The National Convention will be in August. Information is on the ZCCA website. May 15 to 17 is the Branson, MO Z fest. See [bransonzfest.com](http://bransonzfest.com). Our next Go-Cart event is June 4 at Bandimere. 9 AM. \$35 for first 10 laps and then \$30 for each 10 laps after that. Top 3 scores from the ZCCC team and Tynan's teams will be used to determine the winner. State Patrol track day is July 23. The fees are less than 2<sup>nd</sup> Creek.

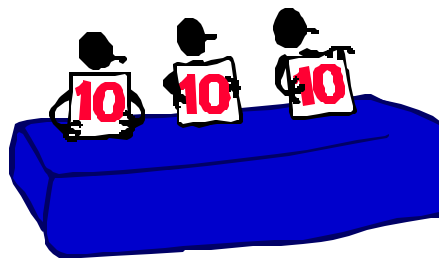
Our speaker was Jay Kettering from Tynan's. Jay is our dedicated service writer at Tynan's. Tynan's will install customer parts we bring to them though Jay says to watch out for some after-market air filters. K & N is OK. Use Nissan rotor caps, oil and fuel filters, as the other stuff out there is junk. The 50/50 had \$100.

## Member Points' Update

by Patty Troxell

Six months have gone by since our October Annual Banquet. We have 27 members with 7 or more points accrued. They are John Bilodeau 13, Rose Ann Bilodeau 9, Mary Brandum 10, Debbie Carlson 9, Dave Daniels 9,

Roy Davis 8, Lois Eaton 8, Steve Eaton 8, Ron Gardner 20, Mike Goddard 10, Bobby Givens 9, Cher Givens 12, Susan Goldsmith 8, Henry Leuthauser 10, Ed McHugh 12, Tim O'Connor 8,



Stan Paprocki 9, Ira Sanders 12, Tammy Sanders 18, Marilyn Slayton 9, Dick Spear 10, Carlos Tamayo 7, Phil Taylor 9, Patty Troxell 22, Larry Troxell 15, Craig Williams 14, and Linda Williams 10. For members who have 15 or more points, awards are given out at the Annual Banquet held in October. The member with the most points will get the Most Active Member award. Attending a general meeting or attending a club event earns one point. Two points are earned if you co-chair an event with another member. Four points are earned if you chair an event by yourself. We have many events scheduled and I want to thank everyone who has arranged an event. If you have any questions, please see me at the May general meeting. Patty Troxell, Vice President.

## Membership by Donna Brooks Going-Going-Gone

**March** - David Muramoto, Sue Riedmann, JoAnn & Tosha Sainz-Dean, Justin Silva, Jerry Staples, Russ Thompson, Ben Williams, Chris Dicciardello, Wayne Garcia, Ross Harkrider, Chip Hudson,

**April**- Pete & Anita Carner, Rick Cassell, Paul DeSilva, Henry Leuthauser & Mary Brondum, Andrew Simmons, Naveen Vismanath

**May** - Richard Brunson, Mike Constable, Michael DeGenring, Bruce & Julie Johnson, Reed Lutz, Jr., Nancy & Kevin O'Shea, Mary Sue Reinsma, Bill Roseberry, Jeffrey Spanel, Ray Steiner, John & Lois Student, Laura Wagner, Craig & Linda Williams

**Returning Members** - For more information on new members contact the membership person.

**Referrals Z Bucks** - None this month

## Guest Speakers for Monthly Meetings, May By Patty Troxell & Ron Gardener

Mark your calendar now for the **Wednesday, May 4th ZCCC meeting**. Don't miss it. The guest speaker is **Captain Kim L. Castellano**. She specializes in the location of buried murder victims through the application of scientific methods. While she works for the Douglas County Sheriff's Office, she is frequently called upon to help other law enforce agencies solve

crimes - sometimes years old. This is real world "cold case" investigation. I've had the privilege of hearing her speak and seeing her slides but I'm looking forward to both again.

**May's Birthdays** - Matt Agrodnia, Scott Buss, Anita Carner, Paul DaSilva, Nate Derman, Ron Gardner, Mike Goddard, Eric Jaramillo, Dick Krauss, Henry Leuthauser, LaVerne Logringer, Gary Miller, Jim Peterson, Harry Peterson, Dick Spear, Russ Thompson, Ben Williams

## Harry Mathews Collection Tour by Dick Spear

Keep the morning of **May 21<sup>st</sup> open**. We've got another great tour of Harry Mathews Collection that **Saturday at 10:00 AM**. He's got most of the cars he had when we toured last year and some new additions. If you haven't been there before it's a great way to spend an hour and a half on a Saturday morning. In addition to Harry being a great host, here are a few highlights of the collection. The largest collection of McLaren cars in the US, including the Can-Am cars Bruce McLaren and Denny Hulme raced to championships in the '60s and '70s. Harry now races the Can-Am McLaren number 4 in vintage races around the country. Also a McLaren Mk 16 Indy car and Bruce's personal street McLaren. In addition to the McLaren's how about a 427 Cobra, lots of Corvettes, Ferraris, a 1969 Chevron V16 coupe, Porsches, Lotus, Austin Healey, Pontiac GTO, ZZ Top's '32 Ford coupe used in their music video, other street rods, cruisers, and even a 1931 Duesenberg Indy car.

Directions to Vintage Sales (Harry Mathews), 5889 Lamar St. in Arvada

I-76 to Sheridan, North on Sheridan, Left on W. 58<sup>th</sup>, Right on Lamar.

Come on out Saturday morning at 10:00, meet Harry, view the cars, and stay till 11:30. After the tour we can go over to Gunther Toody's at 58<sup>th</sup> and Wadsworth for lunch.

## 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Exotic Sports Car Show & Concours d'Elegance by Dick Spear

This year's event is scheduled for **Sun. June 5, 2005** on the front lawn of Arapahoe Community College, located at 5900 S. Santa Fe Dr. in Littleton. The show is open to spectators **from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** with awards being presented at 2:00 p.m. Entrants can begin arriving at 6:30 a.m.



This event will feature the best and the most beautiful sports,

exotic and classic automobiles ranging from early classic and collector cars to vintage and rare current models (Ferrari Enzo). If you have participated in the past you know what an outstanding show this is! The goal is to have over 300 cars on display and to raise over \$50,000 for Cerebral Palsy of Colorado.

This event, besides being a great place to show off your car, is a fun way to spend a Sunday with your friends and seeing a lot of fantastic cars. Some of the entrants are Saabs, Ferrari's, Mini Cooper's, Corvette's, Porsche's, Mazda's, Lamborghini's, Austin Healy's, and of course Datsun's/Nissan's.

Participate by entering a car; even if you don't want to have your car judged you can still enter your car for display only. If you do decide to have your car judged it can be a daily driver with a fresh wash job and it won't offend the judges. This is a fun event.

ZCCC will have its shelter set up so there will be some shade by our

cars. Food will be available at a good price, under \$5.00 for lunch, or bring your own.

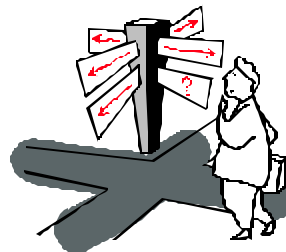
I will have entry forms at the May meeting. You can also register on-line at [cpcoc.org/concours](http://cpcoc.org/concours). If your entry is postmarked, Faxed, or emailed through May 19<sup>th</sup> the entry fee is \$30.00 per car. After the 19<sup>th</sup> the fee is \$40.00 per car. Also, the entry fee is 100% tax deductible.

Last year ZCCC had 7 cars participate. With close to 200 members let's get some of those beautiful Z cars out on the lawn, show off our stuff and have a good time.

If you have, any questions please feel free to call me at (970) 532-3215 or Sandy Mariani, at CP of CO, (303) 691-9339 ext. 32.

## Mystery Trip By Patty Troxell

(continued from page 1)



The total trip length is about 70 miles. If you have two-way radios please bring them and set them to 5.30. Please bring along a

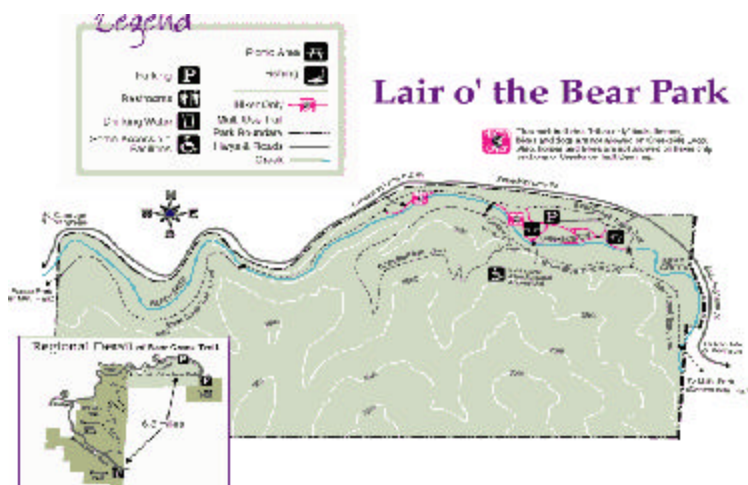
sweater or jacket. We will have lunch at the mystery destination and have fun afterwards. If a participant(s) guess the destination, prizes will be given out at the June General Meeting. Call Larry Troxell for information (see General Information section for phone number).

## Picnic at Lair 'o the Bear Park

by Patty Troxell (Continued from page 1)

Campfire coffee, fishing, hiking, good food and friendship await you at the **June 11, Saturday**, picnic at the Jefferson Open Space Lair 'o the Bear Park near Idledale. **Coffee will be brewing at 10am** and the charcoal will be ready at high noon for hamburgers, hot dogs and brats.

A stream runs through the park. If you plan on fishing, this is a catch and release, artificial lure only stream.





You must have a valid fishing license. Please contact your local sporting goods store for the different types of fishing licenses and fees.

Hot dogs, brats, hamburgers, water and soda will be provided. There are picnic tables and charcoal grills at the picnic site. Any extra folding tables to set food on would be appreciated. A sign-up sheet for food will be passed around at the May and June general meetings.

The Lair 'o the Bear Park is located near Idledale. To find the park, proceed to Morrison, go west on S.H. 74. The park is 1 mile west of Idledale. There is a sign marking the entrance to the park. There is no fee to use the park. This is a beautiful wooded area but don't forget to bring some sunscreen. If you have any questions please see Patty or Larry Troxell at the general meeting or call (303) 579-3572.

## Shelby American Collection Tour by Dick Spear

On **Sun., May 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM** ZCCC has been invited by the BMW and Mercedes Clubs to tour the Shelby American Collection in Boulder.

The Collection is a unique and extensive collection of Shelby Cobra, Shelby GT 350 and Ford GT 40 cars, historical records and memorabilia. The museum is dedicated to the preservation of Shelby American automobiles and to convey the Shelby American team story to the public.

The Collection has prime examples of Cobra 427 S/C and competition models including one of only seven Cobra Daytona Coupes in existence. The Collection also includes the GT 40 driven by Mario Andretti at Le Mans in 1967.

In addition to Cobras, Mustangs and Ford GTs there are many rare prototypical and development parts, trophies driving and crew uniforms, artwork, models and other items of interest.

Here's how to get to the Collection. Take I-25 North from Denver to the Dacono/ Highway 52

exit. Take that exit and go west on Hwy 52. When you come to Diagonal Hwy 119 make a left turn onto Hwy 119. Stay in the left lane and get in the first left turn lane, approximately 1/2 mile from the Hwy 52/Hwy 119 intersection. Make a left turn onto 63<sup>rd</sup> St. Go South, in the left lane, on 63<sup>rd</sup> until you come to Spine Road. Make a left turn onto Spine Rd. then a right turn into Chaparral Court. The Collection is at the end of Chaparral Court.

## Day Drive to Fort Laramie, National Historical Site By John Bilodeau

Come drive with us to visit historic Fort Laramie **April 30, 2005**, in South Eastern Wyoming



(depending on the weather). The Fort is an authentic U.S. Cavalry Outpost founded in 1849 as part of the military presence along the Oregon Trail. We will be meeting at **9 am at the Wagon Road**

### **Park-N-Ride at 120<sup>th</sup> and I-25**

(west side of I-25). From there, we will proceed up I-25 to Cheyenne, Wyoming. Just north of Cheyenne we will exit I-25, catch Wyoming Highway 85, and proceed east to

Torrington. We will continue on 85 until 85 becomes Wyoming Highway 26 at Lingle about 10 miles north of Torrington. From Lingle, we will continue North on Highway 26 about 11 miles to the town of Fort Laramie where we will exit Highway 26 at State Route 160 and cross the North Platte River for a quick 3 mile drive to the National Historical Site.

We will have lunch in Torrington. We will return home the same way until Cheyenne where you can either catch I-25 or go south on Highway 85.



## General Information

**Meeting:** 7:00 PM, 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of every month at  
**Brooklyn's Saloon and Steakhouse located at 2644  
W. Colfax Avenue in Denver**

**Mailing Address:**

**Z Car Club of Colorado**

**P.O. Box 260078**

**Lakewood, CO 80226-0078**

**Telephone: 303-333.8919**

**Internet:** www.zccc.org

**Email:** zccc@yahoo.com

**FAX:** Not available at this time

**Dues** (All for 12 months) Single Membership \$35,  
Family \$45, Corporate \$50

### 2004-2005 Elected Officers (Board)

**President:** John Bilodeau, 303-254.3318,

jbilodeau@tristategt.org

**Vice-President:** Patty Troxell, rtcats@juno.com, 303  
514-4301 and 303 579-3572.

**Secretary:** Ira Sanders, 303 278 7172,

greatauk@msn.com

**Treasurer:** Larry Brooks, 303.773.1904,

landbrooks@msn.com

**Public Relations:** Larry Troxell, 303.579.3572,

rtcats@juno.com

**Inter-Club Liaison:** JoAnn Sainz-Dean, 303.985.9296,

jsainzdean@yahoo.com

**Odometer Editor:** Chris Abrue, 719.393.1852

cabrue@earthlink.net

**Membership:** Donna Brooks, 303.773.1904,

landbrooks@msn.com

### Appointed Positions

**Sponsorship Liaison between Tynan's & ZCCC:**

Michael Goddard

**Welcoming Host: Vacant**

**ZCCA Representative:** Michael Goddard,

303.988.7859, goddardzoo@msn.com

**Sergeant at Arms:** Michael Goddard, 303.988.7859

goddardzoo@msn.com

**Concessions:** Roy Davis, 303.979.071,

rddavis@ibr8w80.usbr.gov

**Historian:** Mike Goddard, 303.988.7859

zquicky@msn.com

**Motorsport:** Dick Spear, 970.532.3215

**Concours:** Dick Spear, 970.532.3215

**Webmaster:** Walt Caron, 303.365.9177,

webmaster@zccc.org & Carlos Tamayo. Carlos e-mail  
is ctamayo80241@yahoo.com

### Articles & Z Trader

The *Odometer* is the official publication of ZCCC, and is published monthly. Articles and their content are the responsibility of the author, and the ZCCC assumes no liability for action taken because of information contained herein. The ZCCC does not endorse any corporate or member advertising. Inquiries or comments concerning the *Odometer* should be directed to the Editor, Z Car Club of Colorado, P.O. Box 260078, Lakewood, CO 80226-0078, or telephone 303.988.8570. Articles and advertisements to be considered for publication should be sent to the Editor, Chris Abrue at cabrue@earthlink.net. **Deadline for publication is the 19<sup>th</sup> of each month, unless otherwise stated in *The Odometer*.** The Editor reserves the right to refuse publication of any articles due to content inimical to the best interest of the Z Car Club of Colorado, unavailability of space, or lateness.

## 2005 Golf Tournament

By Nolan Hargrave



We have a tentative agreement with the Spring Valley Golf Club in Elizabeth CO for a tournament that **will start about 10am on Monday June 13**. The cost will be about \$65 per person which will include all the expenses for golf including golf, range balls and a cart plus some

additional benefits in the pro shop.

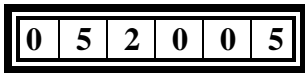
Spring Valley Golf club is situated along Running Creek in western Elbert County and is located about 15 minutes southeast of the town of Parker. The fairways are lined with many mature cottonwood trees and our back 9 has the reputation of being one of the most scenic in the Denver Metro area. The golf course plays anywhere from 5200 yards to 7150 yards, depending on the tees you play. We have a complete practice facility available with driving range, chipping area and putting green to facilitate any practice prior to play.

Our clubhouse is 10,000 sq. ft., and contains our restaurant, grill and lounge area, and fully stocked pro shop. Our patio is connected on the second floor to our restaurant and gives a beautiful view over the course and Running Creek. The restaurant is truly a great setting for after play dining and awards.

Our food and beverage team can customize a meal package to meet your needs for your individual

**Z Car Club of Colorado**

## The Odometer



outing. We offer a wide variety of choices, from box lunch (\$8.95pp) to prime rib buffet (\$24.95pp). Our food and beverage manager, John Croce 303.646.4240, ext. 12 can help you plan the details.

Our tournament golf prices are detailed in the table below. ALL golf prices include green fee, cart fee, range balls, proximity markers, cart signage, scorecards, score sheets and pro shop fee. The pro shop fee of \$10 per player is returned to you in pro shop credit that you may distribute to your tournament players in any denomination you desire.

Prices for tournaments held on Saturday, Sunday or Holidays include a \$10 Food charge.

Day of Week	Time of Day Shotgun or Tee Times	Price per Player
Monday - Thursday	AM Shotgun	\$60
Monday - Thursday	PM Shotgun	\$65
Friday	AM Shotgun	\$63
Friday	PM Shotgun	\$68
Saturday, Sunday, Holidays	AM or PM Shotgun	\$98
Monday - Thursday	Tee Times	\$55
Friday	Tee Times	\$58
Saturday, Sunday, Holidays	Tee Times	\$78

Thank you for inquiring about Spring Valley Golf Club. Spring Valley Golf Club, 42350 County Rd. 17-21, Elizabeth, CO 80107, 303.646.4240, [www.springvalleygolf.com](http://www.springvalleygolf.com). Contact information is via Norlan Hargrave at 303.717.9494 (cell) or email me at [nolan@pkgconsulting.com](mailto:nolan@pkgconsulting.com) with the number of golfers wanting to join this outing.

## Z Trader Cars & Parts

To view Zs for sale in color, go to [www.zccc.org](http://www.zccc.org), and click Odometer (Note. You must have Adobe reader).

### 240, 280 Zcar parts for sale:

1 pair of rear A-arm spindles (55540-N3701) new with stickers still on

spindles \$10.00 for the pair.

Etoile(made in France-rare)455 c 5 spoke, 3 piece racing wheels

2 17 x 9.5 inch rims (you will need 5 inch flares)  
2-17 x 12.5 inch rims (you will need 3 inch flares- these are configured for large piston brakes as well.) Forged centers. Gold accents, polished rim. The rims are rebuildable on the off chance you kerb one or leave the track.

Z-logo in center. Center cap cover \$500.00 for set-Firm with shipping included to 48 states.

2 Yokohama Intermediate AVS Z rated 275-35-17  
2 Yokohama Intermediate AVS Z rated 335-37-17  
\$500 for the set including shipping to 48 states.  
These are new.

Universal pre-oiler kit-new in box. \$100.00 including shipping to 48 states.

Please E-mail @ [Bowermangroup@aol.com](mailto:Bowermangroup@aol.com) for pictures or call (303)-981-3695. Payment;paypal, cash or money order. (Last posted month **May 05**).

**Ultralight aircraft** for sale: Quicksilver GT400, the Z-car of light aviation. For description, photos and information, visit [www.dcaron.com](http://www.dcaron.com). (Last posted month **June 05**).

**1973 240Z DATSUN**, red/orange, repainted 8-10 years ago, stripped to bare metal, original owner purchased April 1973, 142k same mechanic maintained Z, have all records, original mag wheels plus steel wheels with original hub caps, dual weber carbs (installed 8-10 yrs ago, have original carbs plus hardware. **\$15,000 OBO**, must see to appreciate, contact Vern Ritter Arvada, CO, 303.420.1009. (Last posted month **June 05**).



## Advertising Information

### For members

Free ads.

Send a clear photo that must be submitted at the same time the Ad/picture is submitted. Ads/picture should be submitted by email to the Editor at **cabrue@earthlink.net**, mailed (see address below). **Call me with questions at 719-393-1852.** Ads will be in upper and lower case lettering. Ads posting is for 3 months. Resubmit as necessary.

**Go to [www.zccc.org](http://www.zccc.org), and click Odometer for examples of ads.**

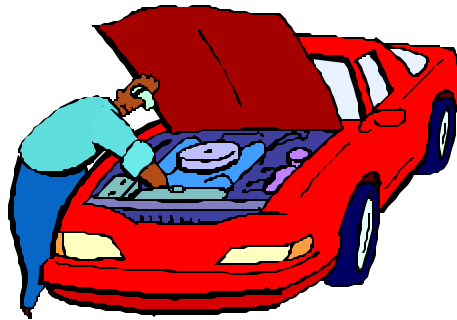
### For non members

Picture and Ad Full Page: \$100, Half Page \$60, Quarter Page \$35 per ad for 3 months. Ad only/no picture: \$5 for 3 months. Send the Ad/picture and a check (payable to ZCCC) and mail to Chris Abrue, 7990 Woody Creek Dr., Colorado Springs, CO 80911. Ad must be received by the 19th of the month. Email or mail the Ad/picture and Chris will hold the Ad pending receipt of the check.

## Modifications to New 350Z

### by Owners by Jeff Wisener. 350Z Editor, Sport Z Magazine

After reading and posting on this site for over a year, I think I can make some suggestions to new Z owners that will help them before they begin to modify their 350 Z's. I believe that if you follow some of these suggestions, you will reach your goals in modifying your Z with less frustration.



1. Define your goal. Are you simply trying to make your car look nicer, building it for street racing, drag racing, autoX, track, or a show car. Maybe it is a combination of more than just one of these, if so, be sure which one is more important because they may conflict each other.

2. Set your budget. You could easily spend in excess of \$25,000 on mods if you went with upgraded suspension, wheels and tires, and a Twin Turbo alone. Someone recently asked himself why he was spending so much money on modifying his

350Z when he could have purchase a Z06 Vette that will out perform his Z and the Vette would still have the factory warranty. Know what you want to achieve and how much you are willing to spend before beginning to modify your car.

3. Determine if you are willing to void your warranty from Nissan. Many suspension mods void anything related to suspension so if you spend \$2000 on coilover suspension, be ready to accept that Nissan will not fix your tire feathering problems found on many 350Z after 5000 miles with anything but stock or NISMO S suspension.

4. Determine how much of a risk taker you are. A lot of people would love to have 500hp but how concerned are you about reliability. Your car has been designed stock to provide good performance with reliability. Nissan told their engineers to design the 350Z motor to last 200,000 miles. As a general rule, the more hp, the less reliability although some would argue that fact.

5. How long will you keep your 350Z? In many cases, most modifications do not bring higher resale and in many situations depreciate the cars value. I have already seen several nice 350Z's with modifications of over \$10,000 and then be sold off for parts bringing penny's on a dollar due to people selling their 350Z months after modifying it. Ask

yourself how long you plan to keep a 2 seater sports car. For most young couples, when the baby comes, the 350Z goes.

Once you have considered items 1-5 above, no experienced members on line that have specific expertise in areas such as stereo or wheels and tires. Use their knowledge and leave your ego off line.

All of us can learn from someone else.

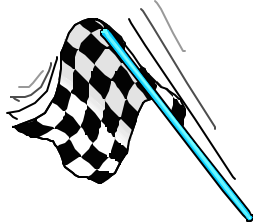
If you need my opinion on something, feel free to pm me and I will do what I can to help you. I suggest you begin modifying your Z in the following order:

## Track Events in June and July

by Gary Bracken

Get in touch with the road at 2<sup>nd</sup> Creek

Raceway on June 25<sup>th</sup> and at the State Patrol Track on July 23<sup>rd</sup>. The first two of the Z Car Club of Colorado's thrice-yearly track events are must-attend venues. Whatever the weather, you'll have more Z fun on these tracks than a short dog walking in tall clover! So don't miss these enjoyable days of safe hot-lapping, OK?



You don't have to be a racer or experienced hot-lapper to participate and have a great time at these events. We always have special run groups for first-timers, and first-timers are paired with experienced track drivers to assure a safe orientation to each track and to track safety.

Every year (going back to 1990), we have had an impressive showing of Zs at our track events. But remember, this is not a Z-only event. For the past 14 years we've hosted drivers with a diverse group of cars, including Cobras/Mustangs, Porsches, Corvettes, BMWs, Hondas, Miatas, Camaros, Ferraris, Vipers and others. Here's your chance to invite your car enthusiast friends who drive other marques to join you and us for a great time! Lets spread the joy, shall we?

If you haven't done a safety check on your Z for awhile, there's still plenty of time left to bring brakes, tires, steering and engine performance up to safety and your own specifications before the track events. You may contact Roy Davis (303-979-0711; [co300zxtt@hotmail.com](mailto:co300zxtt@hotmail.com)), Chief of the Technical Inspection Crew, with questions regarding the fitness of your Z for the track event.

Technical inspection for the June 25<sup>th</sup> track event will be Sunday June 19<sup>th</sup> from 12 to 4 pm and Wednesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> from 4 to 6 pm at Gary Bracken's garage, (2487 S. Dover Way, Lakewood) or at the track prior to the event (only as a last resort). Technical inspection for the July 23<sup>rd</sup> event will be July 17<sup>th</sup> from 12 to 4 pm at the above address, or at the track prior to the event (only as a last resort). Special arrangements for technical inspection can be made by calling Roy Davis.

Please contact Gary Bracken, Chief Steward, at [gbracken2487@comcast.net](mailto:gbracken2487@comcast.net) (or 303-969-9964) if you have questions on any other aspect of the June 25th track event. Contact Mike Goddard ([zquicky@msn.com](mailto:zquicky@msn.com) or 303-988-7859) for information or questions regarding the State Patrol event on July 23<sup>rd</sup>.

As always, these events will be limited to the first 50 entries. To assure your participation, please complete and mail a registration form for each event (with your check) provided in this issue of the *Odometer* at your earliest convenience. We don't want you to miss out, and we're looking forward to the pleasure of your company!

**TRACK REGISTRATION FORM:** (check one below)

\_\_\_\_ **SECOND CREEK (2<sup>nd</sup> Cr.) June 25, 2005**

\_\_\_\_ **STATE PATROL (SP) July 23, 2005**

7:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M.

Driver #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Driver #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Street address: \_\_\_\_\_ (city, state, zip)

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

Cell \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Z Car Club of Colo. Membership # \_\_\_\_\_ Expires \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Member \_\_\_\_\_

Car: Make \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_

Performance mods. \_\_\_\_\_

Driver 1 experience: \_\_\_\_ novice (D); \_\_\_\_ intermediate (C); \_\_\_\_ advanced (B); \_\_\_\_ expert (A)

Driver 2 experience: \_\_\_\_ novice (D); \_\_\_\_ intermediate (C); \_\_\_\_ advanced (B); \_\_\_\_ expert (A)

**Driver 1 (Member)** \_\_\_\_ \$65.00 2<sup>nd</sup> Cr.; \$55 SP      **Driver 1 (Non-Member)** \_\_\_\_ \$80.00 2<sup>nd</sup> Cr.; \$70 SP

**Driver 2 (Member)** \_\_\_\_ \$25.00      **Driver 2 (Non-Member)** \_\_\_\_ \$25.00

Please check appropriate lines and enter amount enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Your check should be made out to Z Car Club of Colorado (ZCCC).**

**Registration will be limited to the first 50 cars, so please register early**

For advance tech inspection, please contact Roy Davis (see below) for 2<sup>nd</sup> Creek; Mike Goddard (see below) for the State Patrol track event. For all cars not teched earlier, inspection at both tracks will be held 7:00 to 8:00 a.m. Cars with inadequate tires, brakes, steering, or with fluid leaks or loose parts will not be allowed on the course. Open or excessively loud exhausts will also be disallowed. **DRIVERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO CHECK THEIR CARS and make any needed repairs BEFORE coming to the track.**

Mail registration with check to:

Z Car Club of Colorado, C/O Gary Bracken

2487 So. Dover Way

Lakewood, Colorado 80227

**DRIVER'S CERTIFICATION:** I am entering this event to have fun and to drive safely on a road course. I agree: to abide by all ZCCC written and verbal instructions at this event, including but not limited to the strict rules regarding passing on the track, to wear a Snell rated helmet (year '95 or newer) on the track along with long pants, long sleeved tops, and shoes of natural or non-combustible materials, and to do MY FAIR SHARE of corner work. **I agree that drivers who do not do corner work in the morning will not be allowed on the track for the afternoon sessions.** I also understand that passengers without proper restraints, clothing, helmet, shoes and a valid driver's license will not be allowed on the course.

Signature (Driver 1): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature (Driver 2): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

For information, contact Gary Bracken ([gbracken@comcast.net](mailto:gbracken@comcast.net), 303-969-9964), Roy Davis (303-445-3055, [co300zxxtt@hotmail.com](mailto:co300zxxtt@hotmail.com), 303-979-0711), or Mike Goddard (303-988-7859, [quicky@msn.com](mailto:quicky@msn.com)).

The Odometer

0	5	2	0	0	5
---	---	---	---	---	---



Z Car Club of Colorado  
P.O. Box 260078  
Lakewood, CO 80226-0078  
303-333-8919



## Up Coming Events

- \* May 4, Wednesday, 7 pm, **Meeting** at Brooklyn's at Invesco Field
- \* May 14, Saturday, 9 am, **Mystery Day trip**
- \* May 15, Sunday, 10 am, **Shelby Collection Tour**
- \* May 19, Thursday, **Odometer Cutoff** for articles and ads
- \* May 21, Saturday, **Harry Mathews car museum tour**
- \* June 4, Saturday, 9am, at **Go Car event** at Bandimere Speedway.
- \* June 5, Sunday, **Concours 'd Elegance** to benefit Cerebral Palsy
- \* June 11, Saturday, 10 am, **Picnic** at Lair 'o the Bear Park
- \* June 13, Monday, 10am, **Golf Tournament** at Spring Valley Golf Club in Elizabeth
- \* June 17-19, Friday thru Sunday, **Got Z Forum**
- \* June 25, Saturday, **Second Creek Track Event**
- \* July 16, Saturday, **Cripple Creek day trip**
- \* July 23, Saturday, at **Colorado State Patrol track event**
- \* July 30, Saturday, **Fairplay Burro Days day trip**
- \* August 6, Saturday, **Bishop's Castle (Pueblo area) day trip**
- \* August 21, Sunday, **Budweiser Brewery tour**
- \* September 10, Saturday, **Second Creek track event**
- \* September 17, Saturday, **Shine 'n Show** at Tynan's Nissan
- \* September 24 & 25, Saturday/Sunday, **Palisades winery tour, overnight trip**
- \* October 8, Saturday, **Annual Banquet**

Z Car Club of Colorado