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What a great turnout for the November meeting on a cold, icy evening. I guess everyone wanted to know who our Vice President was going to be. Well it is Travis Scott.

How exciting we had volunteers to fill all our other positions:

- Gail Mund will be selling tickets for our 50/50 raffle
- Travis Scott will be providing the 50/50 gifts
- Jason Spegal will be doing Name Tags

Jason Spegal also put together a gorgeous color photo album of all the cars at our recent Autocross. Hopefully he will bring it to a few more meetings.

Thanks to everyone for sharing a little about yourself during our "Getting to Know You" session.

A new Appointed Position was created for a Constitution Analyst so he/she can advise the Board on Constitutional issues. Please let me know if you are interested.

At the December meeting, Alex Millward will share some of his exciting plans as our new Inter-Club Liaison.

Welcome back member Jacki Barton who already volunteered to host a December Toy Drive. Please bring a toy, clothing or monetary donation to the December meeting. Read about it in this issue of the Odometer.

Looking for a thrilling race car movie? Don't miss *Ford v Ferrari*! Too bad they didn't have a Z in the movie.

It was so nice having Ron, Carole and Judy back at the meeting and on the road to recovery.

Let's kick-off the December festivities with a little fun at the Derman's Holiday Party. I hope you get to spend memorable times with friends and family and you have a great New Year. Talking about the New Year, please note our January meeting will move to January 8, 2020. Regardz, Don Gordon, President

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# **GUIDE to ZCCC**





#### **Inclement Weather**

Our Colorado weather may give the board reason to consider the need to cancel meetings for the safety of the members. Please check FaceBook, the Website and your Email for announcements of the boards decision to cancel. If you feel it is not worth driving due to weather conditions Mother Nature has instore for us, Please **DON'T!** The safety of members is of highest priority.

#### **How to become a Member**

The Z Car Club of Colorado is made up of Datsun and Nissan Enthusiasts. We've had numerous events over the years ranging from supporting local Charities to drives on race tracks and down country roads. We are excited to have new members join in the fun and bring their ideas for events to the club.

Go to the club website at <a href="www.zccc.org">www.zccc.org</a> and click on <a href="JOIN">JOIN</a>. You can pay by credit card or by check.

"The Odometer" is available on the website under Recent Activity, downloadable PDF or postal mail (please add \$10 annually for postage, and printing costs).

#### **How to order a Name Tag**

Contact Jason Spegal to order your club name tag. You can locate Jason on line in the "<u>Membership Directory</u>". Email him with the correct spelling of your name. He will place an order, pick it up and get it to you. The cost will be around \$14.00 and subject to increases due to inflation.

#### How to join us on Social Media

Click HERE to like and follow ZCCC on FaceBook

To join our Z Car Club of Colorado Members Group Click <u>HERE</u> to submit a request to join



# **GUIDE to ZCCC**



#### **How to Host an Event**

You have an idea for an event? Where do you begin? Will anyone show up?

Click <u>Here</u> to be guided to ZCCC's Constitution. You will need to log into your member account. Navigate to "Member Directory" and "ZCCC Constitution". Open the document and go to the Events Section.

Here is everything you need to know to get your event started. To coin a phrase from "Field of Dreams": "If you put it on, They will come".

#### **Event: Sanctioned vs Non-Sanctioned**

Click <u>Here</u> to be guided to ZCCC's Constitution. You will need to log into your member account. Navigate to "Member Directory" and "ZCCC Constitution". Open the document and go to the Events Section. The definition of Sanctioned and Non-Sanctioned is located here.

#### **How to be an Active Member**

An Active Member is someone who earns 15 or more points during the clubs fiscal year (October to September). You will earn points by attending club sanctioned events.

Refer to ZCCC's Constitution on the <u>website</u> for definition of Sanctioned versus non-Sanctioned.

- One point is awarded for each event including general meetings you attend,
- Four points are awarded to the person or split between persons hosting an event.

Active Members have been rewarded for their participation in the past by receiving Active Member gifts at the Annual Banquet in October. The member who has the most points will receive a special gift of recognition.

#### **How to order ZCCC Apparel**

Interested in Z apparel or merchandise (with our club logo). Navigate to the <u>website</u> and click on "<u>Member Apparel and Merchandise</u>". Here you will find the vendors that work with the club frequently. Contact Cheryle Caplin for pricing. Her contact information is:

Cheryl Caplin
Account Executive
Halo Branded Solutions
303.256.7777
clcaplin@comcast.net



# **Z-BLAST** from the **PAST**



About Cover Page: ZCCC Caravan and SCCA Georgetown Lake Ice Race Solo Event

March, <u>1989</u> article written by Bruce Sparr Sunday, February 12th 1989

"The ice races at Georgetown were a great success. 42 cars showed up, 8 of which were from the Z club. A course was plowed through the snow and off we went. Debbie Carlson complained of the narrow track and insisted on trying to make it wider to no avail. Z cars are lousy snowplows and she was on a first-name basis with the wrecker driver by mid afternoon. Congratulations to Mark Kirsch for a fine performance and 2nd place in his class, on a windswept, icy course. Also, 1st place in that class was won by a non-member driving Sue Keim's car."

That year, club members Larry Hutfles was president and Debbie Palmquist-Carlson was Treasurer.



Photos and article are from ZCCC Historical archives. Thank You to Bruce for digging up these old photos.





# **EVENTS**



## **Dec Board Meeting**

When: Wed, Dec 4, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m. Where: In person— Overland Golf Course, If you are not a board member and would If you are not a board member and would contact Don Gordon

## Dec General Meeting

When: Wed, Dec 4, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m. Where: Overland Golf Course. 1801 S Huron Street, Denver, CO 80223 When: Wed, Jan 8, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.

(Near Santa Fe & Evans)

## Jan Board Meeting

When: Wed, Jan 8, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m.

Where: : Overland Golf Course,

like to attend the board meeting, please like to attend the board meeting, please contact Don Gordon

# Jan General Meeting

## **CHANGE**

Where: Overland Golf Course,

1801 S Huron Street, Denver, CO 80223

(Near Santa Fe & Evans)

IMPORTANT: During the winter months, the golf course closes early due to shorter daylight and general participation. The staff works late the first Wednesday evening of the month just for the club. The board requests everyone attending the ZCCC general meetings to please order off the menu. It is OK to share a meal.



2020 is just around the corner.

The January Board and General meeting has been moved from January 1 to January 8 so members can enjoy their New Years Day Celebrations. Please update your calendars.

## **December Toy Drive**

When: Wednesday, December 4, 2019 @ 7pm Where: General Meeting at Overland Golf Course

Host: Jacki Barton Cost: Donation

Bring your donation to the Z General Meeting: Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup>



Your donations this holiday season will be going to Random Acts Colorado (RandomActsColorado.org). This drive benefits children and teens living in foster homes and group homes.

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## **EVENTS**



## **December Toy Drive cont.**

#### What to Donate?:

- New UNWRAPPED toys
- New UNWRAPPED children/teen clothing
- Gently used UNWRAPPED jackets for children or teens
- Monetary donations (please make checks out to: Random Acts Colorado)

Please bring your donation to the ZCCC General Meeting Wed., December 4<sup>th</sup>. If you can't make the meeting and would like to donate, please contact Don Gordon at <a href="mailto:President@ZCCC.org">President@ZCCC.org</a>. He will let me know so arrangements can be made to pick-up your donation.

Please donate as many items as you'd like. Maximum of one point will be given to each person for your donation.

Also let me know if you'd be interested in helping me deliver our donations. Thank you for helping to make this a better holiday season for those in need!!!

Hugs, Jacki

## **Annual Holiday Party**

When: Saturday, December 7, 2019 @ 6-10pm

Where: Derman's Home Host: Cheryle Derman

Cost: Pot-luck

Please join us for the annual ZCCC holiday party. It will be a pot-luck style. Soft drinks will be provided. Please plan on bringing any one of the following: appetizer/salad, main dish, side dish or dessert. We will be having a white elephant exchange again this year. The price per gift



exchange is a maximum of \$25.00 per player. The details will be explained at the general meeting and at the party. Please sign up at the December meeting or RSVP to Cheryle by December 6, 2019 via email. If you have a favorite "adult beverage" you would like to drink, you may bring that as well.

Nate, Chloe and I hope you will attend this holiday tradition.

Cheryle



# **WRAP UP**



## **Gaylord Rockies Resort & Convention Center**

Twenty-two (22) very lucky people got to experience the grandeur of the Gaylord Rockies Resort. Not only did our concierge Cindi show us outside the property where they were setting up for the ICE holiday event, she took us through the restaurants, the ballroom area and the indoor pools. Those that continued the tour following our lunch in the Mountain Pass Sports Bar, got to see one of the \$5,000 per night Presidential Suites, not to mention several other pleasant accommodations. And two very fortunate members got to stay for a special treatment in the hotel spa (can't wait to hear how that turned out). Oh yes, and Tiffany Gordon got to take home a very loveable bear footstool. Thanks to all for attending and making this a very exciting event! Hope you enjoyed! Don Gordon





# **WRAP UP**



Thank you to Don Gordon & Andy Mortenson for Decembers photos.









# **Z-LICIOUS**



#### Sacher Torte

#### Cake:

6 large eggs, separated
1 cup all-purpose flour
1/2 cup almond flour or 2 ounces blanched almonds (1/3 cup), ground
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 1/2 sticks unsalted butter, softened
1 cup sugar
5 ounces bitter sweet chocolate, melted and cooled slightly

#### Filling and Glaze:

1 3/4 cups apricot preserves 2/3 cup light corn syrup 2 tablespoons rum 10 ounces bittersweet chocolate, chopped Unsweetened whipped cream for serving

#### Make the cake:

- 1. Preheat the oven to 375 degrees. Butter a 9-inch springform pan. Line the bottom of the pan with parchment paper and butter the paper. Dust the pan with flour, tapping out the excess.
- 2. In a large bowl, using a handheld electric mixer, whip the egg whites at high speed until soft peaks form.
- 3. In a small bowl, whisk the all-purpose flour with the almond flour and salt. In another large bowl, beat the butter and sugar until fluffy. Add the yolks, one at a time, and beat until fluffy. Beat in the chocolate, then beat in the flours. Beat in one-fourth of the whites, then, using a spatula, fold in the rest of the whites until no streaks remain.
- 4. Scrape the batter into the prepared pan and smooth the top. Bake the cake I the center of the oven for 35—40 minutes, until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out with a few moist crumbs attached. Let the cake cool on a wire rack for 30 minutes, then remove the ring and let the cake cool completely. Invert the cake onto a plate and peel off the parchment. Turn the cake right side up. Using a long serrated knife, cut the cake horizontally into 3 even layers.

#### Make the Filling and Glaze

- 1. In a small microware-safe bowl, whisk 1/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons of the apricot preserves with 1/4 cup of water and microwave until melted.
- 2. Set the bottom of the springform pan on a wire rack and set the rack on a baking sheet. Arrange the top cake layer, cut side up, on the springform pan. Brush the cake with one-third of the melted apricot preserves. Spread 1/2 cup of the un-melted apricot preserves on top and cover with the middle cake layer. Brush the surface with another third of the melted preserves and spread another 1/2 cup of the un-melted preserves on top. Bush the cut side of the final layer with the remaining melted preserves and set it cut side down on the cake. Using a serrated knife, trim the cake edges if necessary to even them out.
- 3. In the microwave-safe bowl, microwave the remaining 1/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons of the apricot preserves until melted, about 30 seconds. Press the preserves trough a strainer to remove the solids. Brush the preserves all over the cake until completely coated. Refrigerate for 20 minutes until set.
- 4. Meanwhile, in a medium saucepan, whisk the corn syrup with the rum and 2 tablespoons of water and bring to a boil. Cook until slightly thickened, about 1 minute. Put the cholate into a heatproof bowl and pour the hot mixture on top. Let stand until melted, then whisk until smooth. If the chocolate glaze is to thick to pour, whisk in another tablespoon of hot water. Let cool to warm
- 5. Using an offset spatula, scrape off any excess preserves from the cake so that it is lightly coated. Slowly pour half of the warm chocolate glaze in the center of the cake, allowing it to gently coat the top and spread down the side. Spread the glaze to evenly coat the torte. Microwave the remining glaze for a few seconds and repeat pouring and spreading. Scrape up any excess glaze. Refrigerate for at least 10 minutes to set the glaze, then cut the torte into wedges and serve with the whipped cream.



## **MEMBERSHIP NEWS AND INFO**

## Renewals Due...

**Dec:** William Clark, Eldon Luers (your membership is up for renewal)

**Nov:** Keith & Lorena Lucas (your membership is past due)

**Oct:** Jim Nelson, Jose Ramirez (your membership is 2 months past due and you will be dropped at the end of the December)

Memberships not renewed after 3 months will be dropped from the clubs active status

## **Moving or Have Moved**

Don't forget to update your address, phone numbers and email in the <u>Edit My Profile</u> under your name in the upper right corner.



Richard Flores (12/23)

Diana Inberg (12/6)

Robert Marlowe (12/4)

Steve Robertson (12/31)

JoAnna Sainz-Dean (12/1)



## **Welcome to New Members**

Jeff & Katie Collinsworth from Lafayette 1983 280ZX & 2018 370Z Returning member Jacki Barton from Aurora, 2008 350Z



### **Guest Speakers**

The board would like to bring back to the General meetings a guest speaker.

If you know of someone, invite them. Contact and coordinate dates with the VP.

The club will pick up the cost of their meal (no alcohol).

You will also receive a point for finding and setting up the speaker.

## **Z-Bucks**

#### What are they and how do I get them?

"Refer someone to join the club, and when they do, you get \$5.00 Z bucks to use toward membership or apparel.

## **Membership Information**

Memberships – 80

Members – 104

Membership Cards are available for print on the web site. If you would like a laminated card, email Andy Mortenson

## **ZCCM Magazine**

The Summer/Fall 2019 issue is NOW available. Please see Jason to pick up your copy. If you would like to join the clubs subscription, the cost is \$13.50. Please speak with Jason Spegal to sign up.



## **CLUB INFORMATION**



## **Contact Information**

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Lakewood. CO 80226-0078

Internet:www.zccc.orgEmail:zccc@yahoo.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/ZCarClubOfColorado

## 2019-2020 Elected Officers

President: Don Gordon president@zccc.org

Vice-President: Travis Scott vice-president@zccc.org

Secretary: Cheryl McKenney secretary@zccc.org

Treasurer: Bill Lohringel

treasurer@zccc.org

Membership: Andy Mortenson

membership@zccc.org

Public Relations: Nate Derman

publicrelations@zccc.org

Inter-Club Liaison: Alex Millward

club@zccc.org

Odometer Editor: Tammy Sanders

Odometer@zccc.org

Club Sponsor:



## **Appointed Positions**

ZCCC Representative to the ZCC Association: Alex Millward

Welcoming Host: Kathy Minister

Motorsports: Travis Scott

Webmaster: Scott Swiger

Historian: Bruce McKenney

CP Concours: Roy Davis

Name Badges: Jason Spegal

50/50 Drawing:

Gail Mund and Travis Scott

Social Media Director: Tiffany Gordon

ZCCM Magazine: Jason Spegal

**NEW** Constitution Analyst: Vacant

Duties to include: help the board understand, interpret and advise what is in the constitution. Currently this position is not responsible for updates to the constitution.

December 5th:
National Sacher
Torte Day, a
unique type of
chocolate torte,
invented by Austrian Franz Sacher
in 1832 for Prince
Metternich.





# Last Months Meeting Minutes



#### November 6, 2019, Overland Golf Course

The meeting was called to order at 7:02pm

Welcome to guest and new member Joyce Barton. Introduction of all members in attendance.

Secretary Report: Cheryl McKenney

Approval of minutes from the September meeting

Vice President Report: Tiffany Gordon filling in

Past events:

Oct 3rd—Annual Banquet at Cinzetti's restaurant

Oct 12th—Auto Cross at Arapahoe Park

Upcoming events:

Nov 16th—Gaylord Rockies Tour

Dec 4th—General Meeting and Toy Drive Collection

Dec 7th—Holiday Party

Treasurer's Report: Bill Lohringel

Nothing to report at this time

Membership: Andy Mortenson

We currently have 88 memberships, 113 members

Public Relations: Nate Derman

Working on checking the validity of the vendor list. Also looking for new vendors

to add

Interclub: Vacant to be filled by Alex Millward

Absent

**Odometer:** Tammy Sanders

If you have any pictures for the Odometer, please send them to Tammy.

Submissions to the Odometer are due by the 20th of the month

President: Don Gordon

Birthday greetings to the November birthdays. Members not present at the annual banquet received their active member gifts. Some changes have been made to the Board position. The ZCCM magazine will be handled by Jason Spegal. There will also be a new appointed position of Constitution Advisory/Analyst, they will assist the board with interpretation of the Constitution. The monthly raffle needs one more person to work with Gail Mund to get the prizes and sell the raffle tickets. Jason Spegal has also volunteered to take care of the Name Badges. Please see the President if you are interested in an open position.

#### **Guest Speaker:**

None

#### **Old Business:**

Meeting cancellations due to weather will be posted to the website and FaceBook. The January general meeting will be moved to the 8<sup>th</sup>.



# Last Months Meeting Minutes



#### November 6, 2019, Overland Golf Course Continued

#### **New Business:**

A proposal was made to change to the Constitution to allow all sanctioned events to be posted to two or more approved platforms for at least 15 days. A discussion was held for members to voice their opinions. A motion was made, seconded and vote taken, the proposal passed as presented.

Gail Mund removed her name from the ballot for Vice President and Travis Scott was appointed the new Vice President.

Winner of the 50/50 give away is Eldon Luers for \$31.

Meeting adjourned at 8:46 pm

# **CLASSIFIEDS**

#### Placing a Z-Related Ad:

Ads should be submitted **by email** to the Editor. Ads will be in upper and lower case lettering. Ads are posted for 3 months. Resubmit as necessary. If you have a clear photo, please send it with your request to the Editor.

Cost

1/4 Page

**Members** 

\$0

Non-Members

\$35

Payment should be made by check payable to "ZCCC" and sent by mail to the attention of the Editor at the address listed under "Club Information." The Editor will hold your ad pending received payment clearing the bank.

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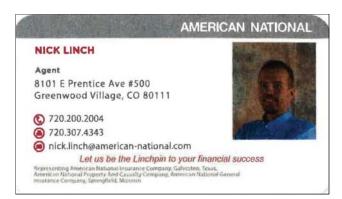
Go to <a href="https://www.zccc.org">www.zccc.org</a> and the Odometer Full Page (6 \$50 \$100 Archives for examples of ads if you need photos) them.





# **Business Card Ads**





There is no cost to members and \$60.00 per year for non-members. The ad will be listed in the Odometer for One year unless removed at the owners request. At the end of the year it is the owners responsibility to renew their business card ad. All business card ad's can/may be found on the last pages of the Odometer depending on space. These pages may or may not be printed for mailed copies.















### **EXTRA**



## Datsun 240Z values show it's getting the appreciation it deserves

by Andrew Newton //

September 20, 2018

Before about 1970, most people would point and laugh if you told them you were buying a Japanese car. A "Made in Japan" label served as a red flag for cheap and hastily made. Datsun's 240Z helped change that perception, permanently. It brought Americans a sports car that was quick and attractive but, more importantly, both affordable and reliable. It was significantly quicker than the cars in the same price point (\$3,500)



in 1970, or about \$23,300 in 2018 dollars), and way cheaper than the cars with similar performance. It turned the sports car market on its ear.

The Z's mix of performance and practicality resonated with the buying public, who quickly tossed away their "Made in Japan" presumptions and bought thousands of Z-Cars—in many cases waiting several months to get their hands on one. The 240Z wasn't just about affordable performance numbers, it was the whole package. *Car and Driver* said in 1970 that "The difference between the Datsun 240Z and your everyday three and a half thousand dollar car is that about twice as much thinking went into the Datsun. It shows."

Yukata Katayama, who was heading up Nissan's U.S. operations at the time, ensured that the Z-car was designed to suit American tastes, roads, and driving styles. He even made sure that it was roomy enough for a 6-foot-tall corn-fed American driver. If you've ever tried to contort yourself into a Toyota 2000GT or a Honda S600, you'll realize what an important feature this was. On track, the 240Z dominated the SCCA's C-Production category, and in the driveway the 240Z started every morning, which was something Triumph or Alfa Romeo owners were not used to.

The 240Z is the original mass-market Japanese performance car, and most car people know that. That it was such a significant car combined with the public's affection for it means that these early Z-Cars will always be collectible, and prices have had an interesting past few years. First off, the early 240s are the ones to have. Later Z'S and ZXs got bloated and softer while sprouting ungainly bumpers, and the difference is reflected in values. A good 240Z is worth about twice as much as even the similar 1974-only 260Z. The later cars, however, still offer a plenty of fun per dollar.

It's not exactly breaking news that lots of Japanese cars have been gaining value lately, and if you're looking to catch a Z-Car wave and flip a 240 for big profit, it looks like you've missed the boat. *continued pg.17* 



### **EXTRA**



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For a long time, 240Zs were relatively cheap vintage sports cars, but in early 2015 values for really good examples had a big jump, up 30 percent for condition #1 and condition #2 cars but still relatively flat for #3 and #4. Since early 2016, values for all 240Zs have increased between 13 and 18 percent, but for the last three Hagerty Price Guide updates the values have been dead flat and show no signs of picking up again. At over 38 grand, a 240Z in #2 (excellent) condition is still a heck of a lot more affordable than the equivalent 911, but it's a serious amount money. Buyer interest has been essentially flat as well, as have the number of cars sold at auction and their sale future at least, early Z's look fully priced.

Between racers, tuners, and rust, a lot of these cars are no longer with us. But since Nissan sold nearly 150,000 of them in the U.S., there are still a lot left to choose from and values look to have hit their ceiling. With the market for Japanese performance cars generally looking to have a bright future, though, it's reasonable to expect that the values for these cars that got that segment rolling back in the '70s will remain strong.





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## UPCOMING EVENTS QUICK REFERENCE

7:00 pm December General Meeting Wednesday, Dec 4 **Overland Golf Course** 

7:00 pm Overland Golf Course December Toy Drive Wednesday, Dec 4

Annual Holiday Party Saturday, Dec 7, 2019 6-10 pm Derman's Home

January General Meeting Wednesday, Jan 8, 2020 7:00 pm Overland Golf Course

33rd Annual ZCON http://zcon.org/ conventions/2020/event-schedule/ Sept, 14-19, 2020 Nashville, TN "The 50th Anniversary of the Z Celebration"