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4th Annual North Carolina Z Car Show Coming Soon

This year's show looks to be the largest ever!

The 4th Annual North Carolina Z Car Show will be held on October 3rd in downtown Greensboro at the Jaycees parking lot from 9:00am until 2:00pm. We are very excited about this event and expect it to bring in new members and get the word out that the Triad Z Club is alive and well.

We will have souvenirs on sale, including a club T-shirt, a beautiful 1999 Z Car calendar and other Datsun/Nissan related items. The proceeds from the car registration, sponsor booths and fundraising will be donated to a local charity to be determined this week.

If you want to include your car in the show, please fill out the registration form on page 5. Unfortunately, we have not made the final draft of this form, but the only difference will be in design and layout. We hope the final will be eye-catching enough to bring in people who are not aware of our club. Last year, we held this event at the Farmer's Market in Kernersville, as many of you remember. We had over 60 cars attend, and we

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Sit Down, Strap In, and Hang On

The Triad Z Club is getting ready for a period of dramatic growth.

Our club seems to be picking up a lot of steam that will continue well into 1999. We have been working to get the newsletter on a monthly cycle, and we will have our first T-shirts before the car show in October. We are also working towards getting more business cards made up. For some of us, the cards were the first introduction to the club. They are nice for putting on windshields and giving to people who want to know more information about the club. Jim Edwards has also created window decals (for the inside of the window) that look excellent on any year Datsun or Nissan.

We are all excited about these accomplishments but want to involve more people, as they are the ones that make this all come together. For anyone interested in Datsun or Nissan sports cars, this is YOUR club. We invite you to come, take part and see for yourself why we are so excited about the Triad Z Club.

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expect to double that this year. We feel our goals are attainable, considering that we will have a great deal more publicity this year.

The Greensboro Jaycees have asked to be involved this year, after we contacted them about using their parking lot as our location. They have helped us tremendously with their supply of knowledge about fundraisers and contacts. It also helps that some of their members are car nuts, and had been contemplating a car show of their own!

In summary, we have put a lot of work into this event and hope to have everyone there to see the 120+ polished cars lined up and to help raise money for a local charity ❖

Fiesta de Albuquerque 11th Annual Z-Car Convention a Success

Two of our members went to New Mexico this year for the national convention. Jim Edwards and Blake Frazier both decided to fly, as it is a very long trip by car, and they were not disappointed. There was a great deal to see and do, including a Texas chili party, rallye, autocross, dinner with wine tasting, Galles Racing facilities tour and car show.

The car show had something for everyone. There were plenty of excellent condition 240Z's, as well as other models. Not to take anything away from the Nissan restored cars, but some of these are in just as good condition, without needing a restoration. There were also some extremely modified cars including a VeloRossa from California and a 280ZX that was completely redone inside and out. We also saw a low-miles SMZ, factory restored Z, and roadsters were included for the first time.

Mr. K was unable to make it this year, due to his schedule. He is to be inducted into the Automotive Hall of Fame later this year and decided those two trips so close together were not a good idea. There were still plenty of fun people to talk with. Although John and Michelle Forsman did a wonderful job planning the events, you cannot beat those late night discussions in the parking lot, which are priceless ❖

1998 Wrightsville Beach Z Blast Lives Up to Name

How often do you see Z cars on water?

Jim Leutgens with help from the rest of the Cape Fear Z Club put together a weekend of sun and fun that could only happen at the beach. This was not just a car show, but a convention, which included a ferry boat ride, picnic, caravan and get together at the beach.

The car show was held on Saturday morning and included a good variety of Z cars. The ZX's were especially prevalent, including a John Dailey's Fairlady 280ZX, Nate Navas' (painted the day before) 300ZX and Jerry Tate's low miles (11,200 miles?) 90 300ZXTT.

There was one car that stopped the show. Bob Berke loaned his restored 1972 240Z to his girlfriend (for the first time) so that she could attend the show. Thank you Bob! When this car pulled up, everyone stopped what they were doing and walked over to take a peek and comment on the originality of the car. Since there are few 240Z's in this condition, we enjoyed talking about what it would have been like to purchase this car in the same condition 26 years ago.

One other interesting fact about the show: As I was talking with the lady who brought the car, she looked over to see Mark Vogel's 71 510 sitting across the parking lot. Apparently, she had not seen a 510 before, and said "What's that over there?" She quickly walked over and started asking all sorts of questions. Her next comment was: "I want one!" The 510's still have as much appeal as ever.

The caravan was very well planned out, including stops to gather everyone together. It was not easy keeping this many Z's in a line. We drove up to the ferry terminal and got on. The sight from the upper room looking down was a rare chance to see the cars from above, and a great opportunity to take pictures. For many, this ride was the highlight of the trip, since few other events can provide this type of activity, and none of the participants, or their cars, got sick.

The picnic gave us time to eat, sit in the shade and talk with new friends. Everyone was fun to talk to and there were a variety of interests and personalities present. Jim is a great cook (Does Jim want to cater our show?). Although the hamburgers and hot dogs were great, Jim's chicken was not to be missed. We all hope that it will continue to be a part of this annual event.

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CROWN NISSAN CAR SHOW

Crown Nissan will be holding a car show in September. Unfortunately, we do not have a definite date as of this printing. This will be a fun event, and a helpful one. First, the car show is held in conjunction with other Crown dealerships holding cars shows for their make. If you like cars in general, this is a good time to head over to Wendover Avenue in Greensboro and go from dealership to dealership. Second, this will be an opportunity for us to meet some new people and promote our own show on October 3. Please call 854-0391 for more information.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

4TH ANNUAL NORTH CAROLINA Z CAR CONVENTION

DOWNTOWN GREENSBORO, JAYCEES PARKING LOT

OCTOBER 3, 9:00AM TO 2:00PM

See page 1 for more information, or the enclosed registration form on page 5.

BEECH MOUNTAIN HILLCLIMB

BEECH MOUNTAIN, NORTH CAROLINA

SEPTEMBER 19&20

See this page for more information

KNOXVILLE Z CAR SHOW

KNOXVILLE TENNESSEE

AUGUST 29

Call Jim Edwards at 723-6847 for more information.

TRIAD Z CLUB MONTHLY MEETING

MILANOS PIZZA

AUGUST 18, 7:15PM

Beech Mountain Trip Around the Bend

What they do in the mountains when there is no snow

Our semi-annual trip to the Beech Mountain Hillclimb is scheduled for September 19th and 20th. We plan to travel up on Friday evening or Saturday morning. Although we do not actually race, (at least not most of us don't) it is a great chance to see a beautiful part of the state and watch a variety of cars (240s, 510s and maybe a roadster) in motion.

Last May, we went up for the spring running. Henry Everhart was kind enough to let us use his condo, which provided a nice haven from the scattered showers that plagued us all weekend. We watched a few videos, including Doug Piner's in-car coverage from Friday and Saturday. Doug brought his 240Z and ran very well all weekend. This gave the rest of us some insight into what it is like to compete in this type of motorsport.

We hope to have more people this time, and will be joined by the Corsa Rosa club (No, they don't drive Datsuns, but they are fun!) ❖



Wrightsville Z Blast (con't)

The last part of the weekend was Sunday morning hanging out at the beach. This was a time to enjoy the other reason we came Wilmington, and it was a perfect day. We would like to thank the Cape Fear Z Club, especially Jim, for putting on this event. It was well thought out and executed beautifully.

Mark this one on your calendar for next year, folks, because you don't want to miss it❖

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For Sale

1992 300ZX 2+2, rare sapphire blue with black leather interior. 5 speed, all options, 87,000 miles, all service done by the Z shop in Greensboro since May 1996.

Price: \$13,250 obo

Call: Blake Frazier 854-0391 or 707-5608

1986 300ZX 2+2, gray and black with T-tops, analog gauges, CD player and 5 speed. Bought in 1990 & maintained by the Z shop in Greensboro. 164,000 miles

Price: \$4,500

Call: Harry Pike 697-9031

Treasurer's Report

We need new members!

Nothing has happened since last month, although that will change in August with the car show coming up. Our bank balance remains at \$25.05. John Hill has now paid his dues, which will be reflected next month.

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The 4th Annual North Carolina Z Car Show



Jaycees Parking Lot, Downtown Greensboro, NC
Saturday, October 3rd, 1998 9:00am – 2:00pm

Open to all Datsun and Nissan Z's, 510's and Roadsters

For more information, please call:

Blake Frazier: 854-0391

John Hill: 274-7872

Ben Owen: 379-1570 ext. 3600

Directions: From I-40, take exit 125 to South Elm-Eugene. Turn right on E. Market and left on N. Elm. Turn left onto Lindsay Ave, and at the next light, the Jaycees will be across the road on the right.

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Proceeds from the \$10 registration fee plus fundraisers will be donated to charity.

Registration Form

Registration limited to first 120 cars that register before September 20th

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State & Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Year, Model & Make: _____

Please send \$10 and registration form to: Z Car Show, c/o Greensboro Jaycees, 401 N. Greene St., Greensboro, NC 27401