

New letter

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Next Meeting: Janene's Family Cabin, Leavenworth • 01-02 August 1998 - See inside for details



A little more than a week till the Fiesta de Albuquerque. The cannonball to Albuquerque isn't looking like it is going to be all that big until we get closer to the desert Southwest. Such as life. Should be a find drive anyway.

As you will see, later in this issue, plans have been under way to put in a bit to host the 13th Annual Z-Car Convention in

2000 in the Pacific Northwest. We will have more word on whether convention plans are a go at the meeting on August 1 & 2.

Speaking of which... There was no meeting in July. With the holiday, convention, etc., it was decided to "skip" the July meeting and hold it on the first weekend in August at Janene's family cabin in Leavenworth. This way, we can discuss anything that needs to be discussed regarding the convention and get plans ready for the Pacific Northwest Meeting of the MindZ in Port Townsend on August 21-23. So, to that end, lets meet at Z-Sport in Everett at 10:00am so that we can leave ~10:30 to cruise the North Cascades Highway to Leavenworth.

Now for some "finger-shaking." I received a call from a gentleman who owns an autobody shop in Kirkland. He has a display at various automotive vendors and dealers. One day when he was checking on the supply of his brochures in his stands, he noticed our brochures in his stand. While no one really knows for sure who put the our brochures in the stand, please, for the benefit of everyone, try to make sure that our brochures or business cards do not end up in someone else's stands. Thank you.

Ok, back to more "fun" stuff. Looking at the activities calendar, we have some rather slim pickins for the remainder of the year. How about some ideas for some more activities for the remainder of the year. One idea that has been brought up is to take a cruise down to Mount St. Helens for the weekend as well as cruising along the Columbia River Gorge for the return. We have been getting some more members from the Portland/Vancouver area and I think it would be a great idea to get down to the South end of Washington to meet some of our fellow members. Let's discuss this some more at the meeting on the 1^{st} & 2^{nd} .

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ZCCW Membership Application

Annual dues: Individual = \$25; Family = \$30; Associate = \$15°

First year membership dues prorated if joined after first 1/2 of the year for new members. i.e.:

Individual: [January - June \$25.00] [July - December \$15.00] Family: [January - June \$30.00] [July - December \$20.00] Associate: [July - December \$10.00] [January - June \$15.00]

*Associate membership is for those whom it would not be feasible to be able to attend any meetings or events. Associate members in the United States will receive the printed version of The NewZletter

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| What area(s) of the club | are you interested in? | | |
| Technical/Mechanical: | Showing my Z(s): | Rallying: | |
| Cruises: | Autocross: | Other: | |

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Do You Have Z Parts or Z's For Sale? Are You Looking For That Certain Part or Z?

Advertize them here in *The NewZletter*!

Call Michael at: 360.856.5185 or email: mswhite@sos.net

Parts for sale. 240Z: chrome plated steering gear housing, side rods and compression rods. \$25.00; 4-sp transmission (includes shift lever, clutch cylinder etc) \$25.00; pressure plates (2) \$5.00 ea.; clutch/brake pedal assembly. \$10.00; half shaft (1). \$5.00. 260Z: elect fuel pump assy. \$5.00; Jim Phelps, Arlington, WA, 360-435-6845 <JimTrish@worldnet.att.net> .

For Sale, set of 7.5 by 16" Centerline aluminum wheels with Yoko 225/50-16's. Wheels need cleaning but no dings or curb rash. \$600. Consider part trade for band saw or wire welder. Located Seattle area. Don't want to ship them. Can deliver as far south as Portland, OR. Jim 360-221-3170, <jameslux@whidbey.com>.

Wanted: I am looking for a 3-piece rear spoiler for my 280z, locally only please. Contact Shawn at <vman@seanet.com>.

Parting out 71 240Z. Dismantled, no body parts except rear hatch. Brad 425-745-5482

I have a 1977 Datsun 280Z, new deep red paint, stick shift, original motor, this car has not been driven since new paint in 1990! Needs to be buffed out. Fabric cover included. Multiple sclerosis has stopped any hope of completion. Needs most everthing but paint. Have owned it since 1981. Will sell cheap. Good start on a project Z. My loss can be someone's gain. Located in North Seattle/Shoreline. (206) 363-2884

'71 240Z for sale. Recarro's - need seat covers. Racing steering wheel. \$7,000+ invested in front end rebuild, tranny, rear-end, radiator, brakes, etc. Have receipts for work done. Still needs some work. Comes with extra parts. Will let go for \$1,900. Runs good. Pete Rossi 425.831.5850

'73 240Z Project Car - not a parts car. Body good, paint mostly good. Engine runs, not driveable. \$750 obo. Adrian 425.453.9552

Ready for a transplant? '81 Maxima engine/tranny. New injectors. \$500obo. Adrian 425,453,9552



I am selling my 1983 280ZX. I have spent many dollars and hours fixing it up (and loved every minute of it). Here is a partial list of the upgrades done to the 280ZX since March 1997: Replaced Rear deck seal, Replaced various lights, taillight lens, Complete lube job/oil change/radiator flush, New spare tire and cartridge/rear wiper fixed, brand new struts and shocks (and 4-whl align), Body work (rust prevention, scratch removal, dings fixed), brand new paint job (very nice too!), New clutch, master and slave cylinders, Recovered various interior panels with new vinyl, Brand new carpet installed, Repaired Air Conditioning (IT blows very cold), Replaced alternator, starter, and fuel injectors, New spark plug wires, various screws, plastic pieces, and emblems to perfect the interior of the car. Make offer to Greg by e-mail <kelly@lightningweb.com> or phone (206) 213-0964.



1971 240Z. Build date 9/70. 89,000 miles. New paint, chrome exhaust. Everything original except new items listed above. Mint condition. Second owner - have owned since 1974. Estimated value by Z-Sport is \$6,500. Contact Gary by phone after 4:00pm at 425.338.4194 or by email at <gwfrancois@aol.com>.

Z-Car Convention in the Pacific NW???

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For those who were in attendance at the meeting at Flaming Geyser State Park, you found out that plans are under way to propose to the member clubs of the ZCCA at the convention this vear for the 13th Annual Z-Car Convention in 2000 to be co-hosted by the British Columbiz Z Registry and the Z-Car Club of Washington. You'll find out who got the bid for the 2000 convention at the meeting on the weekend of 01-02 August.

Adrian, from the BC Club has been doing a stellar job of gathering information for the convention proposal. Although nothing is set in stone as far as dates, times, etc., what follows is what has been put together for our bid.

2000 Pacific Northwest Z Car Convention

Vancouver - the city on the harbor...Come for the Convention - Stay for the holiday and have a whole lot of FUN...

Vancouver - it's a FUN place to be - We cater to the businessman or to a vacationing family and all in between. Enjoy Vancouver's natural beauty. Be surrounded by the infrastructure of a City -Vancouver is truly a jewel to behold with all the amenities required by today's population. Come to Vancouver and see for yourself why the world is raving about our scenery, our quality of life, our attractions and the FUN that is had by one and all who visit our City on the Harbor.

Vancouver is a Convention City. In 1997, Vancouver hosted 355 conventions with approximately 250,000 associated people visiting the city -Vancouver is a big time City with big time Services that can cater to the requirements of the 2000 Z Car Convention.

Vancouver is a modern, attractive city - it is now second only to Los Angeles for Full Production Movies and Television shows in Western North America.

Vancouver is a gateway to the Pacific North-West, Vancouver as a stepping stone opens a myriad of doors for those wanting to explore this priceless corner of the world.

Natural Beauty:

Vancouver - the City on the Harbor is rich in natural scenery and beauty, many old-growth forests, natural gardens and stunning feature views adorn the city. The skyline is loaded with heavily treed, snow-capped mountains and a stunning cityscape that is second to none. Some of the features include:-

Beaches - English Bay, Spanish Banks, Kitsilano or Jericho - catch some rays and lay back on one of Vancouver's beaches.

White Rock - Stroll through the quaint shops and café's, Kick back on the Beach and visit the museum or just take in the stunning view at historic White Rock. White Rock is minutes from the Convention Hotel and the location of our car show.

Wildlife - Grizzly Bears, Black Bears, Orca Whales, Bald Eagles, Big Foot are all seen in and around Vancouver - see our natural history up close and personal.

Stanley Park - Take a stroll around Scenic Stanley Park walk through the Old Growth Forests and visit the Aquarium and Zoo with Native Animals. Few cities can offer such a beautiful setting on the water in the middle of their Downtown Core - Vancouver Can Do This For You.

Oueen Elizabeth Park - Gardens/Trees/Forest as well as a Pitch and Put Golf Course

Capillano Suspension Bridge and Forest -Take a walk over an old style Suspension Bridge and walk through more of our spectacular forests.

Stave Lake Dam - See the wonders of man made engineering,

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Grouse Mountain - View the City from the top of one of the surrounding Mountains - a great drive and a lot of fun.

Horseshoe Bay - stroll through the quaint shops and café's, drive along West Vancouver's Marine Drive - another of Vancouver's scenic routes where natural beauty and stunning architecture line the shores of our lovely city.

Abundance of Old Growth Cedar/Spruce/Fir forests - go back in time and walk through the awesome beauty of trees that are hundreds of years old.

Attraction:

Vancouver also is surrounded by many attractions which are unique to the world including:-

New Westminister Quay Public Market and Russian Submarine. Shop at the Quay in New Westminister, a shopping Market on the water. Fun for all and tour the Russian Submarine - which was only recently retired from Soviet active duty. Whistler/Blackcomb Mountains- Voted the Best Ski Resort in North America, the Venue of our day trip, which weaves along the Internationally Acclaimed Sea to Sky Highway - one of the most picturesque stretches of road in the world.

Victoria - Take a stroll back to Old England - take the Family to Victoria for a day and enjoy the architecture and shopping in beautifully restored buildings on Victoria Harbor - and then have a meal in one of the many Old English Style Pub's - Passenger/Vehicle Ferry (90 Minutes), helicopter or harbor air - Sea Planes (20 Minutes)

Vineyards- Visit some of BC's finest Vineyards during a drive up to the Okanagan Valley or else, stop in at the Similkomeen Vineyard in Langley - 30 minutes away from the hotel. Enjoy a stroll through the vines, do some tasting and maybe pick up some award wining wines to take home with you.

Granville Island Market and Shops - A true gem in the Center of Vancouver - this old steel mill has been converted into a downtown shopping center right on the water. Take the family - shop till

elected officials. A member of the board may appoint a regular alternate.

Under the federal Clean Air Act, areas that do not meet federal air quality standards must prepare a state implementation plan describing the actions to bring the area into, and maintain, compliance with the federal air standards. Motor vehicles are a substantial source of carbon monoxide and ground level ozone. Several areas in the state have been, or are, in non-attainment with federal carbon monoxide and ground level ozone standards. State law requires the DOE to administer a program to test vehicle emissions in those areas that violate or are likely to violate these federal air quality standards. Vehicle emission tests are generally required of persons living in the area from Everett to Tacoma, the greater Vancouver area, and the greater Spokane area. Vehicles registered in these areas must be tested biennially. State law caps the maximum fee for the test at \$18. The fee is \$12.

The DOE must approve the creation or expansion of vehicle emission testing programs submitted by a local air pollution control authority. The approved program is incorporated as part of the state's implementation plan and submitted for approval to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Summary: The maximum allowable fee for an emissions test under the state's vehicle emission testing program is reduced to \$15 from \$18. Collector cars are exempt from testing if they meet certain requirements. Beginning January 1, 2000, vehicles that are less than five years old or more than 25 years old are also exempt from testing. Persons whose vehicles fail the emissions tests must be provided information regarding obtaining temporary waivers from further testing. The DOE must keep copies of the complaints it receives about the vehicle emissions testing program and repairs secured for such testing and must, within disclosure law limitations, make them available to the public upon request.

The DOE must establish a science advisory board to review plans that establish or expand the

geographical area for which vehicle emission testing is required. A review by the science advisory board may be requested by the DOE or a local air pollution control authority or by the board's being petitioned by at least 50 people living within the boundaries of the area. The DOE must conduct a public hearing if the proposed rule to create or expand a testing area is in conflict with the final majority opinion of the science advisory board. The department must include in its rule-making process a written response to any inconsistency between the scientific review of the board and its rule to expand a testing area. Members of the science advisory board are to be reimbursed for travel expenses.

The DOE must evaluate the new exemption for vehicles less than five years old or more than 25 years old and other options that meet air quality objectives and lessen the effect of the program on motorists.

It must consider air quality, program costs, and motorist convenience in its evaluation. Its recommendations for changes to the program must be reported to the appropriate standing committees of the Legislature by January 1, 1999.

The first stage of impaired air quality is reached when particles ten microns and smaller reach the average daily ambient level of 60 micrograms per cubic meter (rather than 75 micrograms per cubic meter). A person designated as the alternate for a member of the board of a local air pollution control authority may not serve as the permanent chair of the board.

Votes on Final Passage:
House 86 2
Senate 32 17 (Senate amended)
House (House refused to concur)
{+ Conference Committee +}
Senate 39 7
House 98 0

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Washington's SB42, HB 1354

As some of you may recall, last year California passed legislation - SB42 - exempting vehicles over 25 years old from emissions testing. Well, Washington has come up with it's own version. Fellow Member John Gosch brought this to our attention and privides us with the following for our perusal.

> HB 1354-S2.E2 - DIGEST {+ (DIGEST AS ENACTED) +}

Revises air pollution control provisions.

Requires the department to establish a scientific advisory board to review plans to create or expand an inspection and maintenance system for motor vehicle emissions.

Exempts from the requirements for emission inspection collector cars as identified by the department of licensing under RCW 46.16.305(1), or beginning January 1, 2000, vehicles that are less than five years old or more than twenty-five years old.

Directs the department of ecology to evaluate changes to the motor vehicle emission inspection program made in RCW 46.16.015(2)(j) and other options that meet air quality objectives and lessen the effect of the program on the motorist. The department shall consider air quality, program costs, and motorist convenience in its evaluation and make recommendations for changes to the program to the appropriate standing committees of the legislature by January 1, 1999.

FINAL BILL REPORT 2E2SHB 1354 C 342 L 98 Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Changing air pollution control provisions.

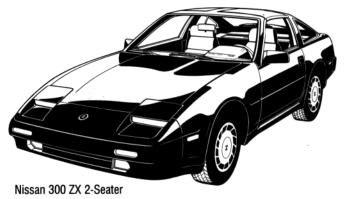
Sponsors: By House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored Representatives Pennington, Mielke, Dunn and

House Committee on Agriculture & Ecology House Committee on Appropriations

Senate Committee on Agriculture & Environment

Background: Administration of the state's air pollution control laws may be delegated to a county or groups of contiguous counties. To receive delegation, a local air pollution control authority must be activated by the counties. Department of Ecology (DOE) administers air pollution control laws in areas of the state without an activated local authority. There are local authorities throughout western Washington and in many counties in eastern Washington.

The governing body of a local air authority is composed of members that are selected by locally



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you drop and visit everything from a boutique brewery to one of the many art gallery's to the hustle and bustle of one of Vancouver's largest produce and fish markets.

Steveston Fishing Village - A modern and clean tourist destination, lots of shopping, antique stores and restaurants. Again, bring the family for some pure relaxation and enjoyment - watch as the catch of the day is offloaded from the fishing boats and bought by the public wanting a good deal or the restaurateurs purchasing their fresh Catch Of The Day for this evening's entrees.

Van Dusen Gardens - a 55 acre setting of beautifully maintained botanical gardens in the heart of Vancouver a must see for those who enjoy their garden.

Minter Gardens - just 1 hour east of Vancouver - another stunningly maintained showcase of Flora

Kitsilano Beach, Spanish Banks, English Bay, Jericho Beach, Garry Pointe - catch some rays and lay back on one of Vancouver's beaches - nothing but fun here.

Lonsdale Quay and Markets - A beautiful way to shop on Vancouver's north side - shops, restaurants, pubs - all on the water overlooking our beautiful harbor.

Lions Gate Bridge - we'll drive over this stunning landmark on our way up to Whistler.

Casinos - Vancouver has three (3) fully functional and accessible Casinos open from midday to 3:00am - go for it.

Hard Rock Café, Earl's, Planet Hollywood, Old Spaghetti Factory, Kettle Of Fish, Cruisers, Route 66, The Keg, Macaroni Grille - all the popular eateries have a home in Vancouver - plus a few others that are unique to our part of the world.

Fireworks:

As an added bonus - the Benson & Hedges International Fireworks Display "Symphony of Fire" is held each year during the last week of July. Nations from around the world compete for the best display - on each of 3 nights before a finale is hosted on the last night where each team puts on a ten minute display. - Come down to the harbor foreshores around English Bay, grab a vantage



The Z-Car Club of Washington is pleased to announce the availability of Club T-Shirts! They come in ash-colored 100% pre-shrunk cotton in medium, large, extra-large, and double-extra-large sizes.

To order, send money order or check payable to the Z-Car Club of Washington for \$18.00 per shirt (\$15 for shirt plus \$3 for S&H) to:

> **ZCCW T-Shirts** 600 N. Reed St. #17 Sedro-Woolley, WA 98284

Activities

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A sprinkling of the activities available in and around Vancouver during 2000 Z Car Convention will include:-

point, kick back and enjoy the fun and entertain-

Fishing etc. Take a day off and go Pacific Salmon Fishing

Vancouver is blessed by being located on one of the most beautiful harbors in the world. All associated water-sports are available for a fun family adventure - try your hand at sailing, kayaking, canoeing, water skiing, jet biking and a myriad of other adventures.

White Water Rafting - take a thrilling ride and get your adrenaline pumping

Summer Ski Charters are available out of whistler for glacier skiing

Scenic Flights - from Boundary Bay Airport, just minutes from the Convention Hotel - the site of our SCCA sanctioned Autocrossing. While you waiting for your slalom run - take a scenic flight - \$135 for 4 people will get you a 30 minute flight around the Vancouver Area.

Victoria - Vehicle/Passenger Ferry (90 Minutes), helicopter or harbor air - Sea Planes (20 minutes)

Waterslides and Theme Parks are sprinkled throughout the city including Splash Down Park in Tsawwassen, just minutes from the Convention Hotel - Fun for all the family.

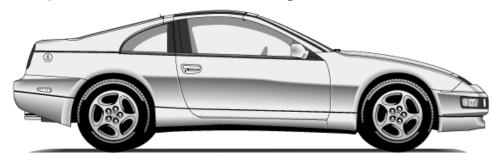
International Restaurants - Vancouver is famous for its international restaurants - fresh sea food, choice grade beef and perfect weather for many vegetables make a Vancouver chef's job easy - lots of fresh, tasty and natural food on the doorstep. Visit one of our many internationally acclaimed restaurants - Go out with your family and friends one night and prepare to be amazed.

Imax Theatre - Visit our Imax theatre at Canada Place - and see where the technology of Huge Screens Began - Here in Canada.

Scuba Dive on a man made reef of sunken ships at Poteau Cove. On the road up to Whistlerbe one of the many who fly in from all over the world and dive on sunken ships, swim with the sea life and feed the giant fish and wolf eels.

Big League/Major League

Vancouver is a modern growing and thinking city. It has the population, infrastructure and fore-thought to support a number of cultural and sporting events - all of which not only support our sporting appetite - but showcases our lovely city to athletes and teams who visit as well as the worldwide viewing audiences.



1994 Nissan 300 ZX* 2+2

Details of the Hotels can be found on the Internet at:

http://www.pacificinn.com/main.html
http://www.pacificinn.com/map2.html
http://www.pacificinn.com/courtyard.html
http://www.pacificinn.com/golf.html
http://www.pacificinn.com/floorplan.html
http://www.pacificinn.com/recreation.html
http://www.pacificinn.com/beach.html

The picture on the bottom right is where the car show will be held.....

http://www.pacificinn.com/map1.html http://www.pacificinn.com/meeting.html

Note: While a final cost per room is still to be determined - our preliminary discussions envisage the cost per room to be in the vicinity of \$CDN95.00 or \$US64.00 per night

Auto-Cross:

Auto crossing will be held at the Boundary Bay Airport - 10 minutes from the Convention Hotel and 2 minutes from the overflow hotel. The Auto-crossing will be supervised by the SCCA who regularly run events on the site. Not just a shopping mall car-park etc. - the site, while still being a slalom course through witches hats, allows for cars to get out of 1st and 2nd gears - with some long straight-aways and high speed corners etc. SCCA SUPERVISION ENSURES SAFETY AND A SMOOTH FLOWING EVENT - which means that after a day of racing, all participants are satisfied and content that they have burnt a lot a petrol and rubber in a fun, legal and safe way.

The area is large enough for those (including vendors) who wish to set up a neat and tidy stall to



sell of Bitz and PieceZ - there should be no problems

Details of the Boundary Bay Airport can be found on the Internet at:

http://www.czbb.com/airport.shtml

Note: While a final cost per car is still to be determined - our preliminary calculations envisage the cost per car to be in the vicinity of \$CDN22.00 or \$US15.00 for the day.

Nissan/Datsun Car Show:

We have secured the main parking lot at White Rock beach for the car show, just 5 minutes from the Convention Hotel. Over 200 stalls - in a designated area - but allowing access for the public. This scenic setting will be made available to us from 3:00am and have been given permission to arrange the area as we wish. The strip at White Rock is flanked on one side by a line of café's, restaurants, and quaint stores. While the other side reveals a grassed walkway, beach and the ocean including a small marina and a pier that juts out into the ocean approximately 500 metres. We have contacted the Local Roadster and 510 Clubs and they will probably share the site with us to host their own car show on the day. A beachfront city with 200 Datsun/Nissan Cars should be quite a site.

Details of the Car Show Site can be found on the Internet at:

http://www.pacificinn.com/beach.html

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Z Club Emblem Posters

Prez Michael White is *still* taking orders for full color posters which feature the logos of every known Z club in the world (as of July 1997) with the four generations of Z-cars (240, 10th Anniversary 280, 50th Anniversary 300, 25th Anniversary SMZ) from computer enhanced photos. The final color proof was seen at the Z Car

National Convention in York. Each 24"x36" poster is \$10.00. The initial post to the IZCC, made by the Chicago Z Club, said that a limited number of posters was available, so act fast.

Z-Sport on the Web

Everett based Z-Sport recently announced the arrival of their new website. Kevin Mansel, Z-Sport webmaster says "we now have a working page up to cater to those who need engines and transmissions." You can find their new site at http://www.zsport.com.

Suspension Bushings

ZCCW Member and Mechanic Extraordinaire Duane Bender forwarded the following info on suspension bushings: Anyone looking for suspension bushings should try http://www.suspension.com. They have Energy Suspension bushings at good prices. I couldn't get my browser to open http://www.energysuspension.com, so I don't know what their pricing is like.

Suspension Bushings

Marc Sayer, Publisher of Z-Car & Classic Datsun Magazine (formerly Z-Car Magazine) sent the following to the Z-Car List: Z Car & Classic Datsun Magazine has a new 2 year subscription deal. Get 2 years of ZCCD plus a free calendar for only \$40. You can choose from the Calspeed

Productions Classic Datsun calendar that features 510's and Roadsters, or our new ZCCD Z car calendar. Both are full color, high quality calendars that retail for \$12.95. The Z Car calendar is our own production and is a very high quality collector's item. Both calendars are also available for sale. The ZCCD Z car calendar is not available except through authorized ZCCD distributors.

Stolen Z's on the Rise

Former ZCCW member Jarod Lathrop recently was unfortunate enough to have his Z stolen. On the up side, he got his Z back in a couple of days. However, when Jarod was speaking with an officer, he said that he had three missing Z's within the last couple of days. Just a heads up to remember to keep that Z secure.

"Nissan to 240Z again?"

Paul Richer presents us with a tid-bit from the August 1998 edition of *Car & Driver*.

"Reports from Japan and Europe suggest Nissan desperately wants to revisit the success of the original 240Z and hopes to do so if a car tentatively called the 250Z is approved. The 250Z would be a two seat, rear drive sports coupe (a convertible would follow) powered by a 2.5-liter engine - either a V-6 or a straight-six like the turbocharged motor used in some home-market models. The price is suspected to be less than \$25,000 when (and if) it comes to the U.S. in 2000. Nissan reportedly is also working on a smaller front-wheel-drive coupe that could be sold as a roadster, too. The company has confirmed it will discontinue U.S. sales of the 200SX and the 240SX after 1998. Meanwhile, here's a look [See C&D for picture -MSW] at the redesigned Nissan Skyline sold in Japan, which has been a company staple since 1957 and likely would supply quite a few parts for the U.S. version of the 2507."

Some of our forward planning and thinking includes the fact that we have an active committee made up of government officials and business leaders whose purview is the preparation of a bid to secure the 2008 Olympic Summer Games and/or the 2010 Olympic Winter Games. Vancouver has something to offer the world. Vancouver is a big league city. Vancouver's corporate and fan base combine with an enormous infrastructure to sup-

NHL Ice Hockey Arena - General Motors Place - Vancouver Canucks

NBA Basketball - General Motors Place - Vancouver Grizzlies

PGA Golf - Greater Vancouver Open Indy Cart Race - Downtown Vancouver

Note: The 1997 NHL Draft was held in Vancouver in June 1997. The 1998 NBA Draft was held in Vancouver in June 1998

Note: Vancouver is actively pursuing the NFL with the hope of securing an NFL Franchise in the near future

Additionally:

Pacific Coast League Baseball - Vancouver Canadians, Anaheim Angels - Nat Bailey's Beer Garden and Ball Park.

Canadian Football League - BC Place Stadium - Season Starts July each year.

GOLF:

There are fifty-three (53) golf courses sprinkled around the Vancouver area. For the golfers who are interested and want to bring their clubs along - play golf among the Canada Geese on one of the scenic courses - not just a good pitch - but surrounded by scenery and nature second to none.

Private Golf Curses Include:-Loomis Trail Golf Club Marine Drive Golf Club Point Grey Golf Club Quilchena Golf Club Richmond Golf Club Sevmour Golf Club

Shaughnessy Golf Club

Swanesat Golf Club

Public Golf Courses - Close to the Convention Hotel Include:-

Peace Portal

Greenacres

Delta

Mylora

Tsawwassen

Riverside

There are also a number of driving ranges as well as Pitch and Putt courses all within easy distance of the Convention Hotel.

OUR CONVENTION HISTORY/PARTICIPATION.....

Z Car Club of Washington (Member Club of ZCCA) and British Columbia Z Registry (Charter Member of ZCCA) have both been actively participating in Conventions for many years. At the Colorado Convention in 1997 - we attended with seven (7) cars and returned with three trophies, a feat we are quite proud of.

Do we know how to hold a convention ?????

1998 will be the 5th year that our clubs have jointly co-hosted the Meeting of the MindZ weekend trip held at Port Townsend on the Olympic Peninsula in Washington which has attracted Z cars from as far away as Oregon, and Idaho as well as Vancouver Island. Our two clubs work well together and have pooled our resources for the greater good on a number of occasions. Both our club's are strong believers that we use our collective talents to negotiate any path or obstacle placed ahead of us. For this reason - we will be relying on our past convention experiences to ensure that our Pacific Northwest Convention gives you the best bang for your buck.

Our experience from our collective local membership attending the following Conventions

Paul Richer: San Diego, Colorado

Roger Sawyer : San Diego, Atlanta, Colorado, York. New Mexico

Tim Nevins : San Diego, Atlanta, Colorado, New Mexico

Mike Boles - Colorado

Terry and Ray Stashuk - New Mexico Rod and Debbie Lovelet - Colorado Peter and Elaine Addison - Colorado Tim Aimes - Colorado, New Mexico Bill and Sarah Frizzle - Colorado

Dr. Ivan Nohel - Arizona, St. Louis, Colorado, San Diego

> Adrian Di Piazza - Colorado, New Mexico Michael White - New Mexico Mark and Janene Mullen - Colorado Barry and Patty Breen - Colorado, New Mexico

Would suggest that we can put together a package that will cover every aspect of Z Car enthusiasm. Whether your looking for tips on Restorations, Auto-crossing, Modifications, Technical Support - or you just want to have some laid back fun and talk Z's...Leave it to us to give you what you want.

2000 Pacific Northwest Z Car Convention Schedule

Monday, July 24, 2000 8:00am-Midnight Registration/Convention Support

7:00pm-9:00pm Welcoming Reception ZCCA/ZCCW/BC Z Registry will welcome everybody to the Convention around the Hotel's Pool introductions can be made, door prizes handed out - as well as some housekeeping formalities including the proximity of various venues, location of local amenities such as gas stations, banks, shopping-centers, etc. We will also advise of the current exchange rates and any other necessities to ensure that everyone's stay is as smooth as can be.

9:00pm-Midnight Texas 'Chili' Party - these guys do it every year - and we again hope they'll provide a great big pot of spicy Texan chili - washed down with those special margaritas...

Tuesday, July 25, 2000 8:00am-8:00pm Registration/Convention Support

9:00am-1:00pm Vancouver - Let's CruiZe: see the City - get orientated - take in some sights - we'll head off in groups around the city to point out some of the attractions and let everyone get a feel for Vancouver - before we rendezvous at Stanley Park for a monster Big Foot Barbecue on the shore of our lovely harbor.

2:00pm-6:00pm BitZ & PieceZ Swap Meet including vendor stalls - held in Convention Hotel Car-park. Go hunting for those elusive parts you need - or even put up your own stall. That last hubcap you need, or that original AM only Radio could be their waiting for you at a steal of a price....

4:00pm-10:00pm Internet and Club Social - Put a face to all those people who've been sending all that technical support etc. over the internet - meet up with people from the Z Car Club World. There will be a guest speaker who can provide a light hearted look back at the Z car craze before we all head for the pool and a Pacific Salmon Barbecue - like only we North/Westerners know how to put on.

8:00pm-10:00pm Z Car Club Association Annual Meeting #1 - The down and dirty politics of keeping this great movement accelerating into the next millennium.

Wednesday, July 26, 2000 8:00am-8:00pm Registration/Convention Support

9:00am-5:00pm Nissan/Datsun Car Show - What a setting - The main parking lot in the beautiful and picturesque waterside city of White Rock, just 5 minutes from the Convention Hotel - cars can

Baby Sitting Service

July, 1998

Outdoor barbecue area which opens into the swimming pool area.

A full convention catering facility that can host up to 450 people at one sitting.

We have chosen the Best Western Pacific Inn as our Convention Hotel because of a number of factors including:

The hotel has been used on a number of occasions as a automotive industry conference/convention site - recent conferences by both Ford and General Motors as well as a large Corvette convention satisfied our inquiry's as to the ability of this hotel to host our convention.

Its proximity to the Car Show Site - 5 minutes

Its proximity to the Auto-Cross Site - 10 min-

Its proximity to the Border - and it's easy accessibility for travelers - 2 minutes.

Its large and secure car-parking facility

Its proximity to the a wide range of activities and other tourist related agendas

Its ability to provide meeting rooms and convention facilities as a part of it's every day operations - this is a convention hotel.

It has a number of family related activities incorporated into it's infrastructure such as games room, indoor pool, baby sitting facilities etc. which is important for the kids who come along.

The hotel was built 6 years ago and is clean modern and fully functional.

Aside from housing most of the participants, the Convention hotel will also accommodate the following activities during the Convention.

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Friday, July 28, 2000

6:00pm-7:00pm Happy Hour for a few prebanquet drinks.

7:00pm-11:00pm Formal Awards Banquet

Saturday, July 29, 2000

7:00am-9:00am Farewell Breakfast Buffet hosted by 2001 Convention Committee.

Overflow Hotel - 80 Rooms Blocked Off, with more available if required:

The Best Western at Tsawwassen is located approximately 10 minutes from the Convention Hotel and is adjacent to the Auto-cross circuit at Boundary Bay Airport.

It is a 150 room hotel - each room sleeping up to 4 people with:

AAA *** Rating

Indoor and outdoor pool

Free Parking - Security protected 190 total spaces including 90 underground.

Restaurant and Lounge

Please refer to your brochure for full details

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convention and a chance for us to express our appreciation to all our Convention Friends.

Saturday, July 29, 2000

7:00am-9:00am Farewell Breakfast Buffet hosted by 2001 Convention Committee. A parting and a special - Thank-you for attending our convention - with a little reminder about next year's Convention.

Additional Information and Services for Convention Participants:

Z95.3 - a local radio station has already tentatively agreed to promote the Convention locally and possibly have a live broadcast booth on site during the Nissan/Datsun Car show.

Hotel Shuttle Bus to and from Vancouver Airport provided by the Hotel - Approximately 30 minutes.

Computer Room with Internet access available for all Conventioneers.

Hotel Shuttle Bus for ferrying Convention Participants to the Auto-cross venue at Boundary Bay (10 minutes) or the Nissan/Datsun Car Show venue at White Rock (5 minutes).

Discount coupons for various local café's, restaurants and shops.

Local Nissan Dealerships including White Rock Nissan, which is just minutes from the Convention Hotel will be sure to offer a special conventioneers discount.

SPONSORSHIP, it's looking great...

Our relationship with a number of local sponsors including local Nissan Dealers - who have supported our clubs both financially and with product in the past suggests that we will have no problems gaining support for a Convention and its associated events. Our brief discussions with our contacts to date have been more than favorable, with com-

ments such as "... where do I sign..." and "...when do we start..." being received at all our inquiry's. We have also contacted Nissan Canada who advise that they would be more than happy to be involved - both financially and with a presence at the Convention. Our Car Show held at Waterfront Park in North Vancouver last summer saw tremendous involvement from Nissan who were present with a tent and a number of vehicles and representatives. Many other local organizations are also keen to get involved with us again.

Exchange Rate:

At Mid July 1998 the exchange rate between the US Dollar and the Canadian Dollar is 1.49 - thus any purchases in Canada are basically discounted 49%. This speaks for itself - but basically all purchases whether they be food, clothing, car parts or servicing etc. - anything that is purchased or paid for on the Canadian side of the border will be discounted 49%. Further to this - on leaving Canada, you may submit all your invoices for products purchased and receive a 7% rebate - as the Goods and Services Tax will be refunded.

Note - Since 1992, the best that the exchange rate has been is 1.35.

Convention Hotel - 100 to 125 Rooms Blocked Off:

The Best Western Pacific Inn hotel is located in White Rock just on the Canadian side of the Border (1 mile north) of the Peace Arch Crossing. White Rock is approximately 45 minutes from downtown Vancouver, and 30 minutes from Vancouver International Airport.

It is a 150 room hotel - each room sleeping up to 4 people with:-

AAA *** Rating

Large Pool under an Atrium

Free Parking - Security protected 400 total spaces including 50 underground.

Bistro/Piano Bar

Restaurant

be shown by all - a huge gathering of Z cars will form the Convention's Concourse - however we will also have 510's Roadsters and assorted other Nissan/Datsun's present and the local organizations for those cars will be conducting there own judging.

5:00pm-7:00pm Tech Cars for Auto-cross - for the auto-cross cars not entered in the show - have your car tech inspected the night before in the Convention Hotel Car-park and have it prepared and ready to hit the pavement the next day.

7:00pm-10:00pm Tastes of The North/West - Lets dine out tonight - after a fun and seriousness of the car show - it's time catch the shuttle and let your hair down as we hit the café's and restaurants of White Rock - and party long and hard into the night - before being shuttled back to the Convention Hotel.

Thursday, July 27, 2000 8:00am-8:00pm Registration/Convention Support

8:00pm-9:00pm Tech Cars for Auto-cross - For those who had their cars in the Car-show - now's the time to get you car tech inspected before you head off racing.

9:00am-6:00pm Auto-cross - SCCA will supervise this Auto-cross event on the pavement of Boundary Bay Airport - approximately 10 minutes from the Convention Hotel - not just a parking lot slalom course - a challenging and technical course that will let you get out of 2nd gear - fun for the experienced and amateur racer. This site is regularly used by SCCA and their organization and event maintenance ensure that everybody has a great time SAFELY and EFFICIENTLY. For those who missed the Vendor Stalls during the Swap Meet on Tuesday - here's another chance to pick up those BitZ and PieceZ you desperately need to shave that ½ second off your time.

9:00am-2:00pm Drive the Strip - For those who aren't into Auto-crossing, we've scheduled a

mini-drive around South Vancouver, the UBC Harbor Front Road and along the Beaches of Spanish Banks, Jericho Beach and Kitsilano - lots of photo opportunities along the way. Then we head into Granville Island for a hunt through the local markets/galleries/stores etc. and a bit to eat at the famous Bridges Restaurant and Pub

6:00pm-8:00pm Club Officers Meeting - A meeting of Club Officers away from the politics of the ZCCA - observations, ideas and plans for the future can all be thrown around as the Z turns 30 years old.

8:00pm-10:00pm Z Car Club Association Annual Meeting #2 - More Politics and electing of the board for the approaching year as well as a site for the 2002 Convention

Friday, July 28, 2000 8:00am-8:00pm Registration/Convention Support

9:00am-3:00pm Whistler Run - the showcase of coastal drives anywhere in the world - as we head of in groups up the scenic Sea to Sky Highway. A few stops along the way for some photos of your Z in one of the loveliest settings in the world. Before we continue up to Whistler. Once there - we can assemble our cars in the city square/promenade for a mini-show and the City will make an award for the nicest car. A relaxed lunch and a wander around the trendiest ski town in the world. A nice leisurely drive back to the Convention Hotel - the capping of a great week of activities and a lifetime of memories.

6:00pm-7:00pm Happy Hour - a few pre-banquet drinks at a special price and a chance to reflect on the weeks activities.

7:00pm-11:00pm Formal Awards Banquet - A banquet including a special guest speaker and the handing out of all the formal awards from the Car Show (Z and ZX's) to the Auto-cross to the Miscellaneous categories - including a few surprise presentations. It's also the final farewell for our

ZCCW Automotive Activities Calendar

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July 11

Return to Renton Benefit Cruise-in. Boeing Parking Lot #10. 425.827.8463

July 18(?)

ZCCW General Meeting - 3:30 - Red Hook Brewery -

Woodinville.

July 19

The Pacific Northwest's Hottest Rod, Custom, Muscle & Classic Car Show. Regustration 7-10am, Show time

10am-5pm, Trophies 4pm. 360.568.4084 July 20-25

Fiesta de Albuquerque - 11th Annual Z-Car Convention, New Mexico

August 1-2

'July" General Meeting - Janene's Family Cabin in Leavenworth. Meet at Z-Sport at 10:00 on Saturday for a cruize along the North Cascades Highway to Leavenworth for the weekend.

August 2

BCZCR Whistler Run

August 21-23

Pacific Northwest Z-Car Gathering "Meeting of the MindZ." - Port Townsend ZCCW General Meeting - Sometime during the week-

August 22

Port Townsend Kiwanis Classic Car Show. Port Townsend Memorial Field. 360.385.1375. (Note: They are inquiring about interest in participating in a rally the day after next year's show.)

September 13

BCZCR - All Nissan Show & Shine

September 26

ZCCW General Meeting - 3:30 - Lake Washington Grillhouse - North end of Lake Washington

- What's Coming Up... -

October 31(?)

ZCCW General Meeting - 3:30 - Location TBD

November 28(?)

ZCCW General Meeting - 3:30 - Flying Pig Pub & Brewhouse - Everett