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I was once again fortunate to get out of town last week for Spring Break with the family. The destination was Florida again, where else. This has been a ritual for us in the last few years and I sure hope my kids understand how lucky they are. When I was a kid, I do not recall any trips over Spring Break at all. We just hung out at home. For me these getaways are a way of relaxing and leaving a lot of the stressors involved with the daily routine behind. Most of these spring trips do involve a medical convention for me as the rest of the family enjoys the sun but this time, there was no conference. I still studied several hours a day as I do have a Board Exam later this month. I still had time to play a little tennis, go to the beach, and eat plenty of seafood, especially Grouper. I just love the taste of this fish, especially when it is blackened. This time we flew out of Midway to Tampa and boy did we have a lot of turbulence. I know flying is safe but it sure gets scary at 30,000ft when the plane is moving all about. I usually like the window seat and to see the wings flexing up and down raises some concern but I know it is meant to do this. This particular aircraft was a 737. Over the years I have flown in various types of planes from 707's to 747's, from DC-8's to DC 10's and even Airbus A320's to A340's. I love the window seats but have to fight my kids now for it. It's fun to watch the flaps during takeoff and landings. Sometimes I can see other planes and their contrails. I guess I am just a kid at heart too.

Anyway, we rented a minivan again. A Kia Sedona. This is a first for me in renting a Kia and I was not too impressed. It was a very basic minivan with really no frills. Plain on the inside and out. The right front tire seemed like it was recently replaced as it had raised white lettering as opposed to the other 3 tires and it was not balanced properly. The steering wheel vibrated above 65mph as a result. It averaged about 23mpg, had decent pickup off the line but a lot of torque steer. But

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it had the room for the kids to spread out, which is the most important part. As far as Z sightings, not a whole lot. I saw one 280ZX 2+2, one Z32, a handful of 350Z's and that was it. Where did they all go? I remember years ago Z's were all over the place when we traveled to Florida but not so much this year.

As far as my Z's, I am hoping to get them out in the next couple weeks. I have to move the patio furniture outside so I can at least get to them. I sure miss them. I hope they had a good rest over the winter so they can play outside with fellow Z's and their owners.

~ Ty



Jeff Pleiter, V.P of Activities

My first draft of this was written two days away from "Spring", when it was in the 20's and very windy. Now, however, the snow is gone, it is to be 60s today and I am starting to see 350Zs and 370Zs out on the street on a regular basis. If you have not already seen it, is a Nissan Performance Facebook page you want might want to check out. It has the 370Z challenge, and they are pitting it against a modified 240Z.

Update for our current planned events:

April 6: Z General Meeting. We'll have it at my house – 623 S Euclid Avenue, Villa Park, IL, 60181. We will have a guest at this event. Hagerty Insurance will provide us info and will answer your collector car insurance questions. The club will be providing pizza and a few soft drinks. You are welcome to bring along other beverage if you want an alternative beverage. We will also pull out the files of old club newsletters and photo albums, which we have not done in a while. Please RSVP on the evite soon if you have not done so.

Also April 6, We have been invited to a all Datsun/Nissan Z meet on April 6. There is a facebook page devoted to this, unfortunately I can't find it at the moment. This is not a WCZC event, but we have been invited to attend. This will be held in the Bull Frog Woods Cook County Forest Preserve in the afternoon.

[Apologies for not getting this newsletter out quicker – Ed.]

May 4 “Under the Dome” Car Show & Craft Fair. We have been invited by Tom Landek, the Director of the Bridgeview Park District and a Datsun lover/former mechanic, to show our cars at this indoor show. Location is the Bridgeview Sports Dome, 8900 S. 77th Avenue, Bridgeview, IL. Charge for entry is typically \$15, but we have been invited to show our cars for free. See attached registration form. Forms can be faxed to 708-594-1735 or mailed to the address on the form. See also www.bridgeviewparkdistrict.org

May 18: Spring Fling Drive to New Glarus Wisconsin. For those of us in the western suburbs, we will meet in the parking lot behind our usual Fuddrucker's meeting spot. Plan on leaving from there at 8:00 am. We'll take I-88 east to Rout 39, then north to Route 20, then up IL 26/WI 69 to Monroe WI. This will avoid the construction on I-90 that the tollway has planned for this summer. If you are west and want to join us on the way, please email me. If you are up north or in Wisconsin meet us in Monroe, WI about 10:30 – 11:00 am in the main square around the courthouse. See attached the map. We'll spend a little time in the shops and have an early lunch then head out.

I have a back roads route from Monroe WI to New Glarus. This was about a 2 hr drive in a Honda Pilot on a dry run. Expect to spend a little less than that driving the Z. Once in New Glarus, we'll spend some time there either in the historic downtown or the Swiss Village, we'll have an early dinner, and you have the option to drive home, or spend the night and spend some more time in or around New Glarus. The New Glarus brewery nearby is also a potential stop. I have a room reserved in the Chalet Landhaus, but there are only 4 remaining rooms there at this time due to 2 weddings. There are other nearby accommodations including the Hotel New Glarus. If you plan on

spending the night, I would make your reservations soon. For a Sunday drive back, I have medium or short scenic alternative routes back to Monroe, depending on schedule, weather, etc. Please update your RSVP on the evite and email me if you have any questions, etc.

June 14 and 15: Z Heritage Fest in Nashville, Brown County Indiana. See info in this newsletter or our website for the info. We'll get a caravan together to go down.

July 19: Vintage Races at Road America.

July xx?: Our annual Cruisin' Z Car Show. Date and Location are yet to be determined.

August 5 through 9: International Z Convention. Nashua, New Hampshire.

September 15: Cantigny Car Show. We had such a great time last year, we plan on going again this year.

Dates and info are subject to change as details get finalized. As always, we are open to event ideas. Email me at villazx10@comcast.net.

~ Jeff

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If you have photos, articles or Nissan news of interest that you'd like to contribute to the WCZC newsletter, please submit them to wczc.editor@gmail.com by the 10th of the month.



WCZC patch - \$3/ea
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WCZC polo shirt - \$30, specify size
Contact Ty at tmo212@aol.com to purchase

Windy City Z Upcoming Events Calendar

Date & Event	Venue	Contact Info
April 6 ZGM	Location TBD – with Hagerty Presentation	Jeff Pleiter – villazx10@comcast.net
May 4 Under The Dome	Bridgeview Sports Dome, 8900 S 77 th Ave, Bridgeview	www.bridgeviewparkdistrict.org
May 18 Spring Fling	Drive to New Glarus, WI	Jeff Pleiter – villazx10@comcast.net
June 14 - 15 Midwest Z Heritage Show	Nashville, Indiana	www.indyzcarclub.org
July 19 - Vintage Races at Road America	Elkhart Lake, WI	www.roadamerica.com
July TBD – WCZC Cruzin Z Car Show	TBD	Jeff Pleiter – villazx10@comcast.net
August 5-9 Int'l Z Car Convention	Nashua, New Hampshire	www.zcon.org
September 15 Cantigny Car Show	Cantigny, Wheaton IL	Jeff Pleiter – villazx10@comcast.net

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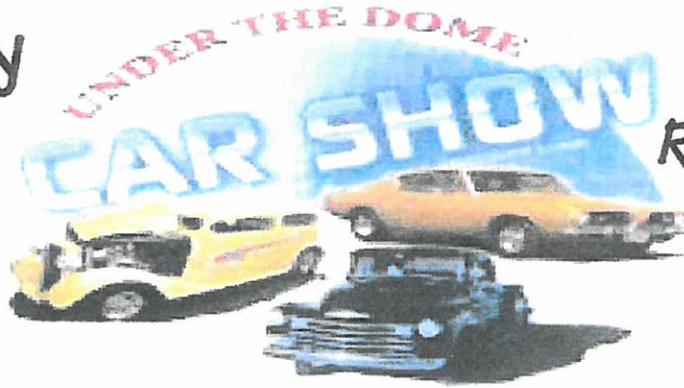
26th Annual Z Car Convention ~ 2013 ZCON, August 5-9

The Z Car Club of New England (<http://zccne.org/>) is working hard to plan a great convention in 2013. ZCON2013 will be held in Nashua, New Hampshire on August 5-9, 2013. You must mention the convention when calling to make hotel reservations.

To make your reservations, visit: <http://www.zccazconvention.com/conventions/2013/>

If you can't find information you need, please contact
Karen Crowell zconvention2013@gmail.com
or Club President John Jeffery (john@baddogparts.com).

Saturday
May 4,
2013



Registration
Fee:
\$15.00

Participant Name:					
Address:		City:	ST.:	Zip:	Phone:
Vehicle Year:	Make:	Model:	Color:		
Special Features worth mentioning:					
Windy City Z Club. Fee Waived per Tom Landek					

Our Car Show is an event to showcase your hard work and craftsmanship. All cars Pre-Registered will be guaranteed an award.

CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

The following are prohibited: alcohol, refunds, For Sale signs, commercial vehicles, tents, commercial displays, early departure, and starting of cars. LIABILITY: In consideration of the right to participate, the undersigned entrant by execution of this entry form, releases and discharges "Under the Dome" car show, Village of Bridgeview, Bridgeview Park District, its officers, directors, employees agent representatives and servants and anyone else connected with the management or presentation of the "Under the Dome Car Show" of and from any and all known and unknown damages, injuries, losses, judgements and /or claims from any cause whatsoever that may be suffered by an entrant to his person or property. Further, each entrant expressly agrees to indemnify the Village of Bridgeview, Bridgeview Park District, its officers, employees, agents and representatives and all other entrants, firms, persons and bodies of and from any and all liability occasioned by or resulting from the conduct of entrants or any participant assisting or cooperating with entrants under the direction or control of entrant. The entrant agrees that by participation in any contest, games, or activities may be limited to vehicles which have met registration requirements.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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MIDWEST HERITAGE



JUNE 14 & 15, 2013 • NASHVILLE, IN

The **Indy Z Car Club** will be hosting this event in 2013 and we are returning to Brown County, Indiana. This year's hosting hotel will be the **Season's Lodge in Nashville, Indiana**. Get away to rustic Southern Indiana and drive some twisty back roads, shop in the art colony of Nashville, hike in Brown County State Park, visit the architectural gems of Columbus, IN, and explore the nearby wineries. This event rotates between Cleveland Z Club, Windy City Z Club, ZROC of Columbus, OH and Indy Z Car Club.

In an expanded format, we invite classic **Datsun Roadsters, Nissan Z's and GTR's and Infiniti G's** to join us to make this an inclusive Nissan celebration.

Event registration is open! Hotel registration is open!

Visit www.midwestheritage.com for complete information. Check it out!! Register now!!





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