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I was on the Z Car Club Association (ZCCA) quarterly call a few days ago. Currently there are about 50 clubs in the ZCCA, including affiliate internet clubs, and roughly 60,000 members. They are in the process of updating the ZCCA website, so if you have not been there lately check it out – www.zcca.org. They plan on rebooting the ZCCA quarterly newsletter, so we'll keep an eye out for that. There is a new perk for being a member of a ZCCA Z Club. You can get a 5% discount on Hagerty Insurance, the details are as follows:

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The early bird registration discount for the 2016 ZCON in Toronto ends April 30, so if you plan to attend, now would be a good time to register. Also, please register and RSVP if you are intending to go to this year's Midwest Z Heritage Show in Dublin, Ohio. I encourage you to attend, it is held as a show within the Arthritis Foundation Car Show which has 1400 cars and a Saturday night band at a stage. We should have some good WCZC attendance to support this show, as we get a good number of ZROC people attend the show when we host.

We had 21 people attend our WCZC meeting on April 10, but again the weather did not cooperate and the Zs stayed home in the garage. It sounds like we have some good events coming up. At the detailing clinic on April 30 Turtle Wax will demonstrate their

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new products and we should be able to go home with some good free product.

We finalized the orders for new membership cards, club business cards, and window decals. So those should be available soon. All members will get a new logo detail for their Z cars. These can be picked up at an event once they arrive, or will be mailed out with your membership renewal. The quarterly hard copy of the Z Car Club Magazine arrived, and can be picked up at the next event while quantities last. We also have a few back issues.

The Spring Fling is scheduled for June 11 with a rain date of June 18. Glenn gave us a description of the drive down old Rt. 66 with a number of interesting stops. Larry will fill us in on more info in his column. As always, keep an eye on our website and Facebook page.

~ Jeff

Larry Klem, V.P of Activities

Well we're all itching to get back on the road with our cars again, and it appears Mother Nature may finally be hearing the calls of long silent "L" engines - one can only hope. The WCZC has been working on many fronts to put together a fun filled summer as well as continued work on re-branding the club with our new logo and updated forms. It is more work than one might think and I am impressed with the Board on their progress and efforts; look for new WCZC Stickers coming soon.

One of the aims for the club has been to add diversity and hopefully broader appeal to our schedule, to that end you will find the range of club activities expanded in many ways. First, as a rite of spring we all, as Z Car owners, have our own particular pre-season car prep routines. We all face the same two dilemmas in spring: what's the best ways to get our Z's running well and looking great? To aid in these efforts we are addressing automotive spring both above and below the fold, so to speak.

Above the fold we are offering a car detailing session that includes both a seminar and detailing demonstrations from Turtle Wax on Saturday April 30th at Turtle Wax's offices in Willowbrook. As anyone who has walked down the automotive aisle of a store can attest to, the number and variety of products for our cars is growing every year. Turtle Wax will be giving us their take on this industry and details on their product line. Coffee and donuts will be served as we learn about the latest and greatest products and processes in the detailing space. I am looking forward to having some questions answered such as "What's the best way to remove wax residue from weather strips?" or, "which is better to buff with, a foam pad or wool?" With summer approaching who among us can't benefit from some extra detailing tips and secrets?

Below the fold we are holding Tech Sessions. These sessions will address various pesky mechanical issues selected from our club membership. The first of these will be held at Performance AFX in West Chicago on Saturday May 14th at 10am. We will be addressing issues that have persisted with Lee Witkowski's 1976 280Z. His issues include, 1) When decelerating, the engine revs stay up until the car reaches ~ 5 mph. This keeps the car from slowing by "compression" since the fuel is still entering the cylinders. 2) There is a strange clunk in the rear suspension when going over small bumps at low speeds. Hosting this session will be shop owner Randy Finlayson. Randy's wide range of experiences include SCCA licensed Driver and Coach, designer and builder of numerous race and street cars and he has been instrumental in the rebuild of my 280 – literally bumper to bumper. Though soft spoken his insight in the mechanical realm is undeniable. We will have the car on the lift and will be going over the issues as well as fielding any questions.

These two types of events dove-tail well with traditional spring activities for car aficionados and should help set us up for the follow-on WCZC

activities.

We are also planning a club presence at the Sandwich 45th Annual Car Show held at the end of May. The show is scheduled for Sunday May 29th. We will be sending out more information on a local spot to meet and arrive to the show as a group. We will be updating the website with more event information and links for your review. June has us scheduled for our Annual Spring Fling Drive and SCCA Track Night, now there's some diversity for you! One event has us observing the posted speed limits (in theory), the other has no speed limits.

That's all for now, as more information is available we will be sending it out, this time of year it is wise to check our website and Facebook page often. As Mad Mike Taylor would say, "Z ya later".

~ Larry

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We welcome your photos, articles or Nissan news of interest! Please send them by the 10th to wczc.editor@gmail.com. When submitting photos, please indicate the event and day.

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Windy City Z 2016 Events Calendar

Date	Time	Event	Venue	Contact & other info
April 30	10-2	Turtle Wax	625 Willowbrook Center Parkway, Willowbrook. Park on the east side of the building	
May 13		Z General Mtg		
May 14	10-1	Tech Session	Performance AFX 782 W. Hawthorne Ln. West Chicago IL	
May 29	8-3	Sandwich Car Show	1401 Suydam Rd, Sandwich, IL	
June 3-5		Branson Z Fest	Branson MO	www.bransonzfest.com/
June 11	8:45a	WCZC Spring Fling	Joliet to Atlanta via Rte 66	www.windycityzclub.com
June 28	3-9pm	SCCA Track Night	Blawkhawk Farms Raceway South Beloit, IL	http://www.tracknightinamerica.com/events/1983016-track-night-2016-chicago-june-28
July 8-9		Midwest Heritage Z Show	Metro Center Office Park, in Dublin OH	www.midwestzheritage.com
July 16		Road America Redman Hawk Vintage Races	Road America, N7390 State Highway 67, Plymouth, WI 53073	
Aug 2-6		ZCON (Z Car Convention)	Toronto, Ontario	http://zcon.org
Aug 14	10-3	Montgomery Fest Car Show	Austin Park, Montgomery, IL	https://ci.montgomery.il.us/DocumentCenter/View/689
Sept 18	9-3	Cantigny Car Show		http://www.cantigny.org/calendar/signature-events/car-show
Oct TBD		OctoberFest	Continental Nissan	
Oct TBD		Fall Fling		
Nov TBD		WCZC Birthday Party		



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300ZX _____

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- ☐ Road Racing
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- ☐ Hosting a club event
- ☐ Customizing
- ☐ Committee Volunteer
- ☐ Club Representative
- ☐ Leadership Role

If you have any questions concerning these categories, please contact one of the Club Officers listed above.

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WINDY CITY Z CLUB

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