

# WCZC News

## Newsletter of the Windy City Z Club

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### Upcoming Events

#### November 4

Annual Birthday Party

D.O.C. Wine Bar

#### TBD

Possible rescheduling of the Fall Mini-Fling

#### Monthly

Club meetings will resume soon. See the November/December Newsletter for a schedule.

#### February 2018

Chicago Auto Show

Details to follow later

### The President Sees

Jeff Pleiter, President



This article will be short as it is crunch time at work.

#### Past Events:

**Fall Fling to Wisconsin** - Another beautiful drive on the back roads between Monroe, Wisconsin and New Glarus, Wisconsin followed lunch at the Suisse House. Not much color yet, but the weather was beautiful. It's nice to get these cars out on the roads they were meant to handle. We ended up at the New Glarus brewery, for a pint before heading home.

**Oktoberfest hosted Continental Nissan.** While the weather forecast was threatening, the rain held off and it turned out to be a very pleasant day. Continental staff grilled up some brats, sausages, and hamburgers and provided water and soft drinks. We had about a dozen cars. Usually Continental raffles off some giveaways at the event, but these came out late in the day when many members had left, so we decided to bring them to the birthday party and raffle them off then.

**Chrome and Coffee at Iron Gate Motor Condos and Mini Fall Fling to Sandwich IL** - Cancelled due to torrential rain. Fortunate for me as I ended up working the weekend.

**Upcoming Events (look for upcoming Events and info on the website.):**

**WCZC Annual Birthday Party - Saturday November 4.** This will be at D.O.C Wine Bar on the west side of Yorktown Mall, in Lombard. We will be in their event room, the Wine Cellar, across from the main restaurant. Officers positions will be open, so consider serving your club. The VP of

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### Officers

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#### VP of Activities

*It could be you!*

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#### Newsletter

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Z's the Lederhosen

Photo by Marlene R.

### Notes

If anyone has any club activities they would like to sponsor or if anyone would like to volunteer to be VP of Activities, please contact Jeff Pleiter.

We want to thank Jay Weinberger and Continental Nissan, for once again sponsoring a wonderful Oktoberfest..

## Member of the Month

**Bart Surowka, New Member**

I'm a 35 year old Insurance Agent with 2 beautiful baby girls and a passion for motorsports. I'm an instructor with the SCCA and do some Solo, PDX and Club Trials/Time Trails on a regular basis.

My 2016 Nissan Z has been a few months in the making to get it up to where I want it to be on the track. Modification work started back in December of 2016.

Due to the cooling issues of these models I went and swapped out the front bumper for the Stilleen Performance piece which allows more air flow into the transmission/engine oil/steering fluid coolers. This keeps the car around 240 at peak performance (I did hit 255 at Road America). Dual short ram air intakes with throttle body spacers supply air at or around ambient temperatures and makes the car breath a whole lot better. Engine is stock but exhaust started with the Isometric Exhaust Headers 2.5 inch, into a 2.5in test pipe and into a 2.5in Agency Power Dual exhaust system.

Other upgrades were Eibach Pro-Plus kit, sways and lowering springs, Hawk HP+ Pads with Motul 660 fluid, on a stock rotor which is working out great. Z1 LSD with extended cooler cover and UpRev Tune to put it all together.

Last but not least I did end up upgrading the tires to the Potenza RE-11 set with 245/40/19 in front and 305/30/19 on back. The back end was a little loose, these 305 tires make a world of difference coming out of a corner, on full throttle.

The Nissan is small, loud, has no trunk and really uncomfortable to ride, but it's a beast where it matters most.





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Activities position particularly needs to be filled. A flyer/response form was sent out via email. A copy of the flyer/response form is also elsewhere in the newsletter. Please send in your reservation and check ASAP (no later than 10/27) so we can give the venue a head count.

Possible reschedule of the **Mini Fling Sandwich drive or other route-** I'll be keeping an eye on the weather forecast and see if we can fit in one last fall color drive. Watch for an evite or email.

The **monthly club meetings** will resume over the winter. As schedule will be published in the November/December newsletter.

**Chicago Auto Show - February.** Nissan is showing a new concept car at the Tokyo auto show which starts Oct 27. Rumor is that it is the new Z. We'll see if that is true, and maybe we'll see it in Chicago. If not, Ty will have to lean against the ghost car again in 2018.

**Midwest Z Heritage 2018.** Hosted by the Indy Z Club. No information at this time.

**ZCON 2018.** Oct 16-20 are the dates I have seen, but I do not know if it is final yet. To be held in Atlanta, and essentially will be combined with the Z Nationals held by Z1 each year. This promises to be a large

## Z People

Continental Nissan Octoberfest



Photos by Jeff P.



## WCZC 2017 Schedule of Events

For more information, contact Jeff Plieter, unless noted otherwise.

Date	Time	Event	Location	Contact and Details
November 4	6PM	Annual Birthday Party	D.O.C. Wine Bar	See Evite – Return reservation form and payment by 10/27
TBD		Rescheduled Fall Mini-Fling	To Sandwich, IL	Watch for evite
Monthly		Club Meetings	TBD	Watch for evite and schedule.
February 2018		Chicago Auto Show	McCormick Place	Further info to follow in January



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## People - New Glarus

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# WINDY CITY Z CLUB

## ANNUAL BIRTHDAY DINNER

Saturday, November 4, 2017

6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Cash bar. Dinner approx. 6:30pm

### D.O.C Wine Bar

326 Yorktown Center, Lombard, IL 60148

(Shops on west side of Yorktown Mall – Enter Wine Cellar Opposite the restaurant)

*Dinner, Officer Elections, Door Prizes, Year in Review Slide show*

Cut and mail RSVP: \_\_\_\_\_

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\$30 per person for member and guest, \$35 per person for non-members

Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ No. of People \_\_\_\_\_

Make Checks payable to Windy City Z Club. Checks and form due by October 27.

Mail to: Jeffery Pleiter  
623 S. Euclid Ave  
Villa Park, IL 60181





## WINDY CITY Z CLUB

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# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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Birthday (Mo/Day) \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

Dual Member's Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Your e-mail address is important because we send the WCZC newsletter and club notifications via e-mail. Please remember to keep us updated if your e-mail address changes.

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260Z \_\_\_\_\_ 350Z \_\_\_\_\_

280Z \_\_\_\_\_ 370Z \_\_\_\_\_

280ZX \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about our club? \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership Categories:** Please check one

- ☐ \$30.00 for one year (incl. foreign countries)
- ☐ \$50.00 for two years (incl. foreign countries)

- ☐ \$25.00 for one Associate year\*
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- ☐ Customizing
- ☐ Committee Volunteer
- ☐ Club Representative
- ☐ Leadership Role

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

Please make your check payable to the Windy City Z Club and mail it with this application to:

WINDY CITY Z CLUB

6770 Aspen Road, Lisle, Illinois 60532

Your membership packet will be sent to you by return mail within four to six weeks