

WCZC News

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Upcoming Events

May 11th

Tech Session

Turtle Wax in Addison

May 18th

Spring Fling

Farnsworth House

June 13th

Midwest Z Heritage

Cuyahoga Fall, OH

July 16th

Zcon

Branson, Mo

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The President Sees Z

Jeff Pleiter, President



The answer to last month's column question, as to what Nissan would reveal at the 2019 Rock the Ocean's Tortuga Music Festival, turned out to be the new Nissan Versa. I have to say the looks are highly improved over the last Versa. They have also updated the interior and technology. Nothing special on horsepower. Probably is more competitive, as an entry level car, than the last version which suffered in comparison to other manufacturer's vehicles. We'll have to see what the reviews say. My son, who graduated last year and has entered the workforce, will be needing to replace his old hand me down VW Passat.

In Z news, Nissan unveiled the 2020 50th Anniversary edition of the 370Z at the New York Auto Show. As per previous anniversary editions, it is an appearance package. The special edition pays homage to the #46 BRE (Brock Racing Enterprises) Datsun 240Z that won multiple SCCA National Championships with John Morton behind the wheel. It is available in two different paint schemes: white with red accents, or silver with black accents. There is additionally 50th Anniversary badging and accents. While some articles indicate that the package will be available across variable trim packages, including the NISMO model, Nissan's information at www.nissannews.com indicates it will be on the Sport Model trim. I am not a fan of the way they did the two tone paint scheme on the car, although the silver and black version seems slightly better looking in my opinion. I have not seen any information on the number to be built and pictures of the interior do not show a numbered plaque. Nissan also does not say when they will be in the showroom, although it seems likely to be when the 2020 models arrive in the showroom later in the year.

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Notes

Tech tips for the 240 owners:

<https://classicmotorsports.com/articles/tech-tips-datsun-240z/>



The President Sez

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Activities News:

Our WCZC General Meeting was held April 7. It was warm enough to be Z weather, but a short line of heavy rain went through so most people did not drive their Zs. We did have a good turnout of people and a nice dinner in Panera's back room. It was nice to have a room to ourselves with a door too close.

Our next event will be the May 11 Turtle Wax Tech Session, at 9:30 am at their corporate headquarters - 2250 West Pinehurst Boulevard Suite 150, Addison IL, 60101. Ty Ozgen is the contact for this event, as I will be unable to attend. A headcount is needed for their planning for goodie bags of product so please RSVP to the Evite or to Ty directly. The format will be similar to previous events with a focus group session, new product info, and demonstrations. Look for the cones for parking.

Spring Fling Drive - May 18. We will be taking the 11:00 am tour of the Farnsworth House. Order your ticket from <https://farnsworthhouse.org/tours/>. Cost is \$20 plus a \$2.50 service fee. Order as soon as possible, as space is limited. The tour will be followed by lunch in Sandwich. We will be meeting at the Starbucks, at the Finley Square shopping center near Butterfield Road and Finley Rd.

June - Midwest Z Heritage 2019- June 13-15 hosted by the Cleveland Z Club. Registration is open for the event and the host hotel which is the Sheraton Suites in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio. www.midwestzheritage.com. Events include brewery outing, drives, car shows, karting, and dinner/awards/raffle. Car Show will be at Summit Racing. More events are in the planning stage. I will be leaving on Thursday morning will set up a caravan meeting point for those who wish to drive together.

July -International Z Car Convention 2019 July 16-21 in Branson, Missouri hosted by the Ozarks Z Club and combined with the Branson Z Fest. Hilton Hotel Branson. Registration is now open for the event and the hotel. www.zcon.org. Early bird pricing ends 2/28. The ZCON Branson Announcement video can be found on vimeo.com. Note both car shows will be in air-conditioned halls.

August 25 - Geneva Concours d'Elegance. We have registered as a club for the car club area. More info to come.

Other events under consideration: Holding our Cruizin' Z car show, cruise nights, trip to Galena, Lake Geneva Cars that Time forgot show in Delavan WI on July 14, Historic Races at Road America, drive to Monroe / New Glarus area and brewery. Iron Gate International Auto Show

June 23. Chicago Wheels tech session. If you are interested on attending any of the above or have an idea for another event let me know, especially if you are willing to take the lead on the event.

We are hosting the 2020 Midwest Z Heritage Fest and will be setting up a committee to start planning. I already have a few names, and will send out an invite to others interested in helping out. The 2020 ZCON looks to be in September of that year, so we would be looking for dates in Spring/Summer.

WCZC 2019 Schedule of Events

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

Date	Time	Event	Location	Contact and Details	WCZC Event
May 11th	9:30AM	Tech Session	Turtle Wax 2550 W. Pinehurst #150 Addison, IL	See Evite	Yes
May 18th	8:30AM	Spring Fling	Farnsworth House Plano, IL	See Evite and follow-up e-mail	Yes
June 13-15		Midwest Z Heritage Fest	Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio	See Evite See Z Heritage Website	Yes
July 16-21		ZCon	Branson, Mo	See Evite See ZCon website	Yes
August 25		Concours d'Elegance	Geneva, IL	Evite to follow	Yes



Contact Jeff at villazx10@comcast.net to purchase

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Z Events

April General Meeting Photos by Jim K



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Type of Zs Owned (Please indicate year and quantity):

240Z _____ 300ZX _____

260Z _____ 350Z _____

280Z _____ 370Z _____

280ZX _____

How did you hear about our club? _____

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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

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