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Upcoming Events

June 1

Branson Z Fest

Branson, MO

June 5th

General Meeting

Manny's Ale House,

July 25

ZCON

Birmingham, AL

August 12-14

Lake Michigan Crossing

Manitowoc, WI

September 8-11

Midwest Z Heritage

Eaglewood Resort

Itasca, IL

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The President Sez

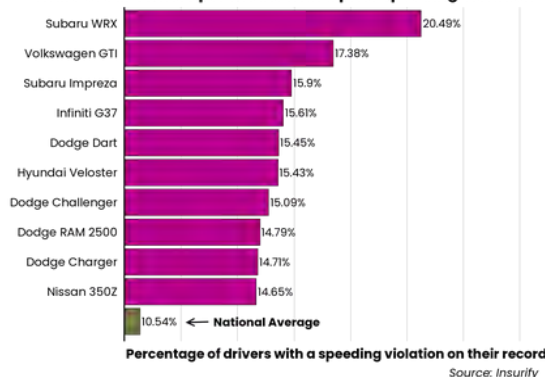
Ty Ozgen, President

Look out BMW! There is a new aggressive driver out there and they are coming out for you. Through the years, BMW drivers have been labeled as being more aggressive with their driving than other brands. You can see them driving fast, cutting off other cars, not using their turn signals etc. There was a study at U.C. Berkley that looked into this, and they found that higher end cars like BMW were more likely to commit infractions. Do they feel superior or entitled? Perhaps they do compared to the "lesser" brands. Does this mean all BMW drivers are wannabe race car drivers though? No. I do have a 1988 BMW 635C-Si and I don't feel I drive aggressively in it at all. I just like to cruise.... On the opposite end of the spectrum, Toyota Prius drivers seen to be less aggressive than the average driver. I guess it's a personality issue and who buys what cars. As far as tickets issued, look below:

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Car Models with the Most Speeding Tickets

Share of car owners per model with a prior speeding violation



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**The next general meeting is on Sunday June 5th
Manny's Ale House,
in Elmhurst**

Be there!

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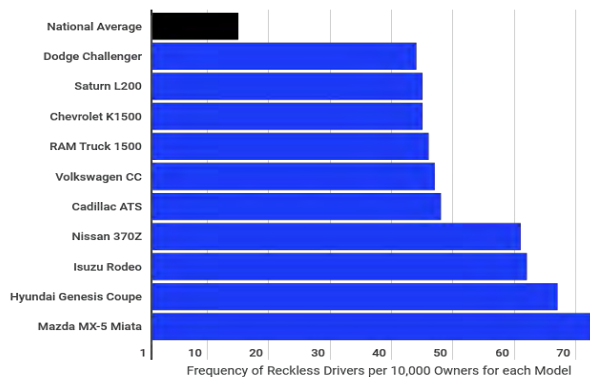
BMW is not listed there but I suppose there far less BMWs out there in traffic relatively speaking. It would be interesting to see if there was a study out there that looked at tickets given per total number of specific cars out there driving. Our beloved 350Z made the list and I suspect that is because the younger generation is getting a hold of these as they are more affordable now. The same probably goes for the Infiniti G37 though I was surprised to see it up there.

As I was looking into the information online I did come across another category: reckless driving. This is where a driver willingly acts dangerously despite the risks, they impose onto themselves or other drivers. Here is that list for them:

but the potential range and efficiency is lessened by this driving behavior. Gasoline cars are not immune from this either though. In the Netherlands, Tesla drivers are caught speeding far more than other drivers. 66% of electric vehicles there have received a speeding ticket as compared to 28% of gasoline powered vehicles and 46% of diesel powered vehicles. Interesting trend. Electric vehicle registrations make up 21% of new vehicle registrations, in the Netherlands, however. Here in the U.S, it's a whopping 3% in 2021. It appears that this may climb to 5% this year due to the increase in gas prices. I still remember when the Nissan Leaf debuted in 2010. It was a rather odd-looking car but the newer version is more appealing in my opinion. Getting back to Tesla, they seem to be getting their share of haters. You seem to see random videos of people keying them for whatever reason. Also, more recently people seem to be damaging the charging station cords. Why? I am not sure to be honest. Jealousy? Perhaps. Or they are people from the big oil companies doing the damage as they see their future is in jeopardy. What do you think?

INSURIFY Car Models with the Most Reckless Driving

Frequency of reckless driving convictions among owners of each model



Source: Insurify

Interesting that the 370Z made this list at #4. Excessive speeding certainly could be considered reckless driving. I must confess here my fellow readers. As most of you know, I have a few cars in my collection. If I were to pick the one that I may "perhaps drive more aggressively" it must be my 1990 300ZXTT. It is fun to toss around because of the way it handles but it does not have all the safety features that the newer cars come with like stability control etc. So, I must be more careful. My 280ZX's are more cautiously driven.

However, there is a newcomer out there in my opinion that may soon lead the lists above. Tesla drivers!! I have definitely noticed them accelerating fast, zipping in and around in traffic. Have you? Yes they are quick cars

Activities

Walt Kreitling, VP Activities

MZH

Jeff Pleiter, Committee Chair

Greetings Fellow Zites,

The club response to Hagerty/SVRA car show was, to say the least, underwhelming. The two-day event drew one member on Saturday and three on Sunday. Marcel Agius of Brookfield, WI attended both days and brought his immaculate 280ZX Turbo for the car show and track tour. Terry Elliot brought his very original 280ZX on Sunday and of course, I arrived in my 370Z. Since we were only able to participate on Sunday, we did not register with the Hagerty group so we were out of luck for the track tour. According to Marcel, who participated in the tour on Saturday, it was a rather leisurely tour and he asked the officials if they could up the velocity on Sunday. Apparently, they agreed but we watched the tour and it was not apparent to us. Marcel did say that there were about 30 or so cars of various types in the car show on Sunday and prizes were awarded. Although Terry and I did not get to fully participate, we did get to park in the paddock area, which is something I have never been able to do, in all my years at Elkhart.

The SVRA Event is a bit more casual than the Brian Redman (now WeatherTech International Challenge with Brian Redman) event in July. Attendance by both competitors and fans is lower but it is more friendly and easy going. The competitors are very accessible and will gladly talk about the cars and relay interesting stories about their history. You also find many weird and forgotten brands that probably have not been seen for some time (when was the last time an Elva Courier came into view). The races are "no contact events", as the intent of the SVRA is to give owners a chance to race with minimal chance of having their automotive pride and joy suffer extensive and costly damage. Judging by the included picture of the white 370Z...(page 5).. That's not to say that there is any absence of all the speed and noise that we all enjoy. There was a "big block" Corvette and a Devin bodied special that chased each other all around the track and could be heard everywhere. Also in attendance were several Formula 2 racers (including a Ferrari F2), Formula 5000 and a multitude of lesser formula cars, Porsches, Healeys, MGs and the like. It reminded me of Road America, as it was in the Sixties when I first started going to Elkhart Lake.

It was disappointing that more members were not present, but it is still an event worth considering in the future. I suspect if the weather report was a bit more favorable, we might have had a few more attendees (actually it did not rain either day but Sunday was brisk). Hope to see more members at upcoming events..

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May update on the Midwest Z Heritage event we are hosting September 8-11 at Eaglewood Resort in Itasca, IL. The registration link for the event is live on the website. We encourage everyone to register and pay online. Payment is via PayPal. The registration link and the link for hotel rooms reservations can be accessed at www.midwestzheritage.com. I expect you could also call the hotel and say you are reserving for the event to get the discount. If you are unable to register online or don't use PayPal, let us know and we can provide a registration form you can mail in with a check. Be aware we have fewer hotel rooms blocked out for Thursday than on Friday and Saturday. The website will have ongoing updates for event and sponsor info.

Schedule is as follows and in more detail on the website:

Thursday: Early arrivals/registration and informal pay for your own meal on-site at the Prairie River Restaurant which has indoor and outdoor tables and a large firepit.

Friday: First full day of registration and events. Events include a Turtle Wax tech session at their headquarters, and a drive and visit to Volo Auto Museum using secondary roads as well as the traditional suds and shine on-site

Saturday: ZCCA judged car show and People's Choice show, likely at the hotel. Awards Dinner in private dining room at the resort. Trophies and sponsor raffles.

Sunday: Travel day home.

Expect car wash stations, trailer parking availability, door prizes, merchandise etc.

Keep your eyes on the event website and Facebook page, the club website and Facebook page, and the newsletter for more updates.

We currently have a planning committee. We are looking for volunteers to help with registration, parking, car show, etc. on site during the event. Let me know if you want to help out. Email me at villazx10@comcast.net.

Stay healthy, safe and hope to see you when the weather breaks.

WCZC 2022 Schedule of Events

For more information, contact Walt Kreitling, unless noted otherwise.

Date	Time	Event	Location	Contact and Details	WCZC Event
June 1–6		Branson Z Fest	Branson, MO	Walt Kreitling Evite has been sent	Yes
June 5th	12PM	General Meeting	Manny's Ale House	Ty Ozgen Evite has been sent	Yes
July 25–30		ZCON	Birmingham, AL	Walt Kreitling	Yes
August 12–14		Lake Michigan Crossing	Manitowoc, WI	Walt Kreitling Evite has been sent	Yes
September 8-11		MZH	Eaglewood Resort Itasca, IL	Jeff Pleiter	Yes



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License Plate Frame

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Elkhart Lake

Events

Hagerty Cars & Cafeine , Elkhart, Lake, WI Photos by Walt K.



Ouch!





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Date: _____, 20____

Name _____ Dual Member's Name _____

Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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 Cell Phone Home Phone Work Phone

Occupation _____ 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.

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

240Z _____ 300ZX _____
 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*
 - \$40.00 for two Associate years*
- *Associates must live at least 300 miles outside Chicago

I AM INTERESTED IN THE FOLLOWING:

- Autocrossing
- Trips-Touring
- Rallying
- Car Restoration
- Road Racing
- Social Events
- Tech Seminars
- Hosting a club event
- Customizing
- Committee Volunteer
- Club Representative
- Leadership Role

If you have any questions concerning these categories, please call 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 two to four weeks

OR

- 1: Download form and print or save. 2: Attach completed form and email to: wzcmembership@gmail.com
3. Use the PayPal button on the home WCZC web page to send in your Payment