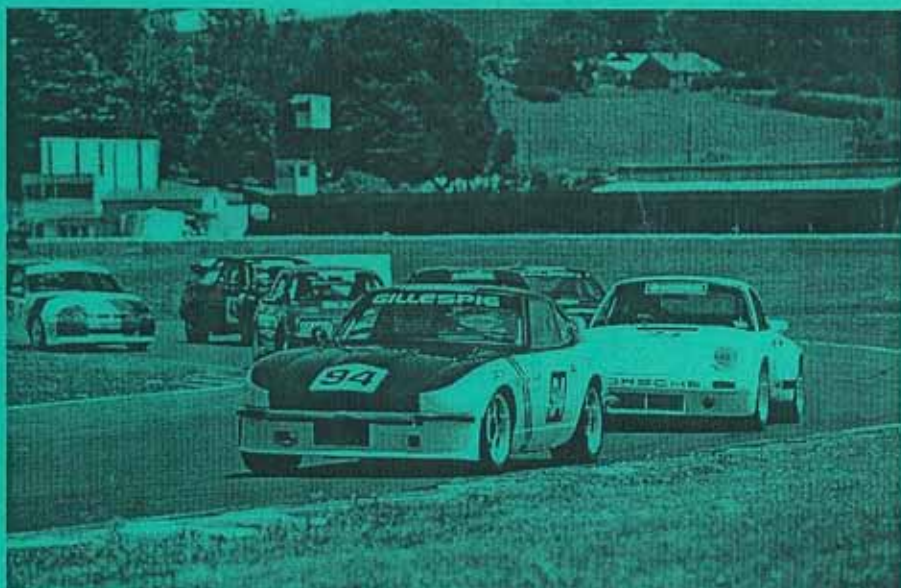


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Greg Gillespie at Pukekohe improves the Zed record to 1:06...

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# COMING EVENTS...

<b>SOCIAL CALENDAR</b>		
<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>LOCATION &amp; DESCRIPTION</b>
Sunday 10 April 1999 10:00am	Datsun Z Club Drag Meeting	Champion Dragway, Meremere Same venue, same format as last year. Recognition for best tyre "bake-off" and photo opportunity. Remember to bring your tissues...
Saturday 10 April 1999 7:00pm	Pot Luck Dinner (after Drags)	Pot Luck Dinner. Baker-Wilkie residence Venue: 25 Longwood Place, Forrest Hill.
Wednesday 12 May 1999 7:30pm	Nosh Nog n Natter Relaunch	Café 98 98 Hinemoa Street, Birkenhead. Licensed. Moderately priced. Phone Julie on (09)483-7477 or Mark (09) 634-3327(daytime) to book.
Sunday 30 May 1999 8:45am	Z Challenge: Economy Run (Cooper Car Club)	Start: Community Hall, Kohimarama (next to Shell Station), Kapa Road, Kohimarama. Special Z categories/titles must be defended: Shortest elapsed time, most cars overtaken, and of course the supremo prize - most thirsty zed.
Wednesday 9 June 1999 7:30pm	Nosh Nog n Natter	Antiks, 248a Dominion Road, Mount Eden. Licensed/BYOW. Moderately priced. Phone Julie on (09)483-7477 or Mark (09) 634-3327(daytime) to book.
Sunday 27 June 1999 12:00pm	Z Challenge: Grasskhana	Z Club Grasskhana. Venue TBA. More details as they come to hand...
Wednesday 14 July 1999 7:30pm	Nosh Nog n Natter	Poppadom, 471 Khyber Pass Rd, Newmarket. Indian cuisine, BYOW. Moderately priced. Phone Julie on (09)483-7477 or Mark (09) 634-3327 (daytime) to book.
Sunday 25 July 1999 12:00pm	Z Challenge: Trial	Z Club Trial. Venue TBA. More details as they come to hand...
<p><b>SPECIAL NOTICE FROM THE SOCIAL EVENTS CO-ORDINATOR:</b> The Z Club dinner – Nosh Nog n Natter is being relaunched on a trial basis, as before it will be held on the second Wednesday of every month. Please mark your calendar now as no further reminder will be sent, also if we do not receive bookings by the Monday night prior to the dinner we will CANCEL the booking, so please make your booking with Julie or Mark.</p>		

# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS.....

We are pleased to say **WELCOME** to the following new members, and we'll be even more pleased to see you all at the upcoming events (racing or social). Make sure to check our coming events calendar for details and come and meet all the other strange people who own Zeds.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Area</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Model</b>	<b>Colour</b>	<b>Reg</b>
Lance Fransen	Auckland	1991	300ZX 2+2	Blue	RM1707
Nelson Cottle	Dunedin	1971	240Z	Red	DN240
Gregory Sulton	Auckland	1976	260Z	White	JD1226
David Lim	Auckland	1973	240Z	Green	GS1685
Richard Burkhead	Auckland	1978	260Z 2+2	Green	MEAN Z
Nick Covich	Auckland	1973	240Z	White	Z240Z
Richard Kregting	Whitianga	1978	260Z 2+2	White	NF1805
David Taylor	Auckland	No Z at present...			

## WANTED

**ARTICLES OR ANY INCRIMINATING PHOTOS FOR THIS MAG**  
(Yes, they will be published!)

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*Many thanks to those who contributed to this issue.*  
*Deadline for next issue: 15 June 1999*



# RACING CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT	TYPE
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## APRIL 1999

Weekend	3&4.04.99	Formula Libre & Porsche Le Mans Relay Race	Pukekohe
Weekend	3&4.04.99	National Race Meeting, Taupo	National
Saturday	10.04.99	Z Car Club Drags, Meremere	Drags
Saturday	17.04.99	Capri Car Club Sprint Racing, Taupo	Sprints
Saturday	17.04.99	Street Sprint Meeting, Waitara	Street Sprint

## MAY 1999

Sunday	2.05.99	TR Hillclimb through the Domain, Auckland	Hillclimb
Sunday	17.05.99	Capri Car Club Sprint Racing, Pukekohe	Sprints
Saturday	29.05.99	Capri Car Club Sprint Racing, Manfield	Sprints

## JUNE 1999

Weekend	5&6.06.99	Capri Car Club Sprint Racing & Fun Weekend (go cart racing & extreme sports stuff as well).	Mixed
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Promises to be a great time!! Taupo.

## JULY 1999

Thurs-Sun	15-18.07.99	1999 Rally of New Zealand	International Rally
Thurs-Sun	15-18.07.99	1999 Rally New Zealand Historic Rally	Historic Rally

## OCTOBER 1999

Sunday	26-31.10.99	Dunlop Tyres Targa NZ Tarmac Classic	Targa
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## NOVEMBER 1999

Fri/Sat/Sun	5-7.11.99	Whittakers MG Classic Motor Race, Manfield	National
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*More events will be published as they come to hand.*

*If you want to know more, or want an entry form, phone Paul Hansen on (09) 2985919 Home.*

# RALLY NEW ZEALAND - UPDATE

There's a new event on the rally calendar this year, if you've never tried off roading in your Zed this one might be worth looking at... The Rally New Zealand Historic Rally will be held in association with the 1999 Rally New Zealand 15-18 July 1999.

Historic Rallying is growing in New Zealand and Rally New Zealand wish to promote this growth by holding a Historic Rally as part of the 1999 Rally New Zealand. It is intended that this will become an annual event.

The Rally New Zealand Historic Rally will have the following features:

- \* Eligibility restricted to non 4WD pre 1982 vehicles.
- \* Separate classes for modified and unmodified vehicles.
- \* Rally New Zealand Historic Rally competitors will run in a separate group and will use selected Special Stages immediately after the WRC event.
- \* Servicing will be relaxed with recommended service areas. No servicing will be allowed on the rally route.
- \* Competitors will be encouraged to display their cars at the official Rally overnight Parc Fermé
- \* Rejoining the event will be relaxed.
- \* Trophies will be awarded to Historic placegetters.
- \* Mostly daylight stages over two days plus the Super Stage on Thursday and Friday nights.
- \* Total stage distance around 200km
- \* No reconnaissance will be allowed and Pace Notes are prohibited.
- \* Entry Fee \$500 including GST.
- \* Supplementary Regulations will be available shortly.

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# The Great Z Club Magazine

## Official Interview

(Z Club Member profile)

**Name:** Greg Gillespie  
**Date:** March 1999  
**Occupation:** Computer Systems consultant

**1. Tell us about your Zed.**

Born in 1972, there's not much left that hails from that vintage though. I've had it for nearly 12 years now. I originally bought it as a road/race car and intended to leave it as a dual purpose effort... oh well, so much for the plan! It's now just a "shopping basket" only driven on Sundays and then only when it's dry...

**2. History of car?**

Where to start? It's had a number of rebuilds and re-engines and re-gearboxes and re-diffs and (more recently) re-drive shafts over the years. I won the TACCOC Sports & GT Challenge a couple of years running if that counts for anything?

I was the first person to race this car as far as we know. Allan Harrison had not seen it before (quite an unusual state of affairs). Over the years it has been slowly (!) developed with the specific intention of being faster every time it goes on the track. Not an easy feat when you look at the range of drivers the car has had over the years...

**3. When did you join the Z Club, how did you hear about us?**

I joined the club not long after returning from Hong Kong in '86, does that make me old? Both my mum and I had purchased 280ZX's in Hong Kong with the intention of brining back these "Grand Touring" cars so we could pose in New Zealand. My dad found an advertisement for some race meeting or another at Pukekohe so out we went and there was Graham Collins and Dale Maxwell going hammer and tongs on the track. I joined the club very shortly afterwards and my application form specifically excluded racing and speed events - I didn't want to risk my expensive performance car you see...

Anyway, it didn't take too many race meetings before my ego formed the opinion that I could do a better job than the others racing their Zeds. I did my first Baypark event in the 280 and tried to race it for a while (boy what a waste of effort!). I finally started to look for a real race car and ended up with the current "toy".

**4. Is your car purpose built, street raced, daily transport, business vehicle?**

Yes.

5. **Future plans?**

Next season will see (hopefully) a bigger/better engine in the car. Contrary to popular belief, the current engine is a real "cheapy". The target will be to get into the 65 second mark next season. This is realistic bearing in mind that car was turning consistent 67's on Zed day with a few 66's thrown in for good measure.

6. **Worst moment in your Zed?**

Watching Gerhard Weavers drive it over a bank when I was sitting in the car directly behind him. Or was it watching as a Lotus Seven did a neat guillotine job on the front left corner of the car at the hairpin? Or was it the helpless feeling as the Porsche spun just a few feet in front of me in the wet? Or was it sitting watching the car overheat at Wellington as the boys changed the wheel which I'd just destroyed on the chicane (that damn camera never did work again after I "got it")? There's so many, you be the judge... No, wait, I have it: qualify second overall at Zed day, warm up the tyres and car and then blow a half-shaft on the start grid!

7. **Best time you have had with your Zed?**

Qualifying well at the recent Zed day and coming through that same field from back-of-grid starts (Guess I was afraid of the half-shafts!).

8. **What sort of events have you been involved with in your Zed?**

Yes

9. **What car would you buy if you won lotto?**

More bits for the Zed. I drove my "dream" car recently, what a bad idea that was.



# Z DRIVER TRAINING DAY

## TAUPO RACEWAY - 8 NOVEMBER 1998

*By Paul Hansen*

Well the big annual driver training day arrived once again. Some opted for the easy way and drove to Taupo on the Saturday, or maybe even on the Friday. Some of us decided to zoom down on the Sunday, even after a "hard" night, eh Meryn!!!

Anyway no matter when you arrived or how you got there it all happened on Sunday. Good to see most people arriving on time. This years turn out was a little less than most years. Maybe everyone already knows how to drive? After all the paperwork was complete and several cars checked over, and of course Howard had fitted his flash new tyres, we embarked on the first section of the day.

### SLALOM

1st - Howard "the Te Kuiti terror" Bath	12.71 seconds
2nd - Ray "son of Rob" Chubb	12.75 seconds
3rd - Hugh "in my wife's Z" Pepper	13.08 seconds

### BACK (FRONT) STRAIGHT

1st - Mark "std 280ZX" Thompson	22.56 seconds
2nd - Ray "quicker than dad" Chubb	22.60 seconds
3rd - Steve "turbo man" Chong	23.09 seconds

### HAIR PIN

1st - Ray "thrash the auto" Chubb	24.24 seconds
2nd - Rob "I'll get you Ray" Chubb	24.72 seconds
3rd - Howard "smoke 'em up" Bath	25.29 seconds

After a bit of lunch and a chin wag most decided to tackle the track proper. Thanks to Julie and Lisa for looking after the flag point. By this stage a couple of casualties had occurred. Meryn was out with a poked pulley, Howard was sussing a miss(fire) and my young son had flattened his face against the back of my ute. Seems he was drafting the ute, about to make a demon passing manouvere, when we stopped to put another cone out... his bike is still recovering!

In no order these are everyone's fastest times of the day...

Rob Chubb	51.36
Howard Bath	51.50
Julie Pepper	58.58
Matt Purdon	58.77
Mark Thompson	55.77
Matt Slater	56.43
Ray Chubb	50.97
Hugh Pepper	54.47
Anthony Baker	46.93
Steve Chong	55.88

I think everyone that attended did enjoy themselves and hopefully learned a little race craft. Next year we hope to see a lot more Z club members making the run down to Taupo, after all it is your club too!

I think the man with the biggest grin at the end of the day would have to be Steve Chong. He got faster all day and maybe started to realise the potential of his 300ZX twin turbo. After using up all his energy he was later seen sleeping under a tree!

See you all there next year.

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## Z CLUB RACE DAY

### JANUARY 1999

*By Paul Hansen*

Well it all started a month or so before Christmas... someone mentioned "are we going to have a race day in '99?" The committee looked at the options and decided why not! Traditionally (or for those that can remember) we have nearly always ran the first meeting of the race season - usually September. This time we opted for the 10th of January. Hoping that not too many racers were going away for holidays we sent out the entries.

Well to cut a long story short we eventually had enough entrants to run a meeting and actually make a little money. The word even reached New Plymouth and next moment Rod Brown was on the phone asking for an entry. At this point I must point out that Rod and Karen Brown must be awarded the keenest Z club people. They arrived just before lunch on the Saturday with the 240Z racecar (did you know that RACECAR spelt backwards still spells RACECAR) on the trailer being towed by the 260Z 2+2 tow car. A true Z club member. It was popular, a while back anyway, to have 2 or 3 Z cars in the same family but the trend has died away.

Thanks to Hugh Pepper for allowing us to use his workshop and manpower to speed up the scrutineering and documentation process. As Saturday drew to a close and most Z racers were still fixing their cars, Sunday dawned a cracker.

Most of the racers arrived bright and early (except for Keith Smith who probably slept in again). Drivers briefing was held and so we were off in our respective time groups (yes we can still hear Meryn saying he should have been in group 2). Well it only took 3 laps until the first lot of Z cars were out. Meryn with a misfire that led to a broken spark plug stuck in no. 6 and myself with two broken half shafts. These were replaced with a loan of two shafts from Greg Gillespie. Greg then went on to break one of his half shafts on the start line of the first race! Luckily Greg was able to borrow another one.

Next in was Keith Smith. Keith had just finished running in his new engine, when going onto the back straight, a frost plug blew out! Keith got it back to the pits but the head was warped and his day was over. Murray Fish, being Murray, was carrying out his normal "tune it on raceday" antics, but did manage to find the fault and turn in a good time.

Brett Campbell was next to retire when he put a leg out of bed. Bad luck fell on Rod Brown at his first time on the Pukekohe circuit. Rod had a spin going of the front straight and just clipped the armco in the front of his 240Z. Rod suffered a hand injury but we hear the car will make a full recovery.

The Datsun Z Race did go ahead as the last race of the day. An excellent race won by Greg Gillespie.

All of Greg's hard work and good driving is now showing in his lap times. Greg's best time of the day, and I think a personal best, was a 1:06.79. Not long ago 1:20.00 was considered to be really on the pace.

Listening to the racers in the pits, it appears that the "grids on lap times" was again a successful formula.

Now do not forget that there is plenty of up and coming events. Some of us are off to Taupo with the Capri Club again for a sprint meeting. Week after they are running a meeting at Pukekohe. Want to know more, either to race or call in and offer some support? Phone me on (09) 2985919 evenings. No use talking to my wife as she hates racing cars!

## SOME RESULTS

Greg Gillespie	1:06.79	Brett Campbell	1:13.99
Paul Hansen	1:10.41	Kevin Harrison	1:14.48
Murray Fish	1:12.00	Meryn Davies	1:15.02
Dave Long	1:13.27	Rod Brown	1:16.45
Julie Pepper	1:13.65	Mike Dragicevich	1:16.50
Keith Smith	1:13.86	Rob Chubb	1:18.22

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# CAPRI CAR CLUB DAY: TAUPO

## 13 FEBRUARY 1999

*by Paul Hansen*

Once again a few keen Z club members took up the challenge of driving down to Taupo and competing against the Capri Car Club. This time it was their AGM and sprint day all in one. Meryn Davis, Rob Chubb and myself headed off in the wee small hours of Saturday morning to be at the Taupo track by 8.30am. Meryn was found sound asleep in a car park in Matamata, appears he left a few hours earlier than the rest of us 'cause he couldn't sleep. Meryn and I met in Matamata for an early breakfast whilst Rob battled on in his Mustang with the Z in close tow.

Upon arrival we were scrutineered under the watchful eye of John Manning and were soon out on the track. The Capri Club offers you an hours

"test" time before the sprints begin. This is great track time for the novice driver who needs to get a feel for the track before the sprints start. Again I stress the point that these days are excellent for drivers with little or no track experience. Tutors are available to help you out.

Anyways we hear Robb Chubb arrive. Sporting a new exhaust, bigger carbs, manual g/box and new camshaft. The car really sounds the part. All will be revealed later!!

After a few Capri's had tested the dirt at the end of the track, we were ready to sprint. Sprint racing is when two cars go off together and race for 3 laps. They normally have 8 cars on the track at once.

Again it was a great day and all credit to the Capri Club for it. Then came prize giving...

Fastest time of the day... Meryn and his 280Z with a very low 45.03 (hope my memory serves me

correct Meryn), next was myself with a 45.63. Robb should have been there with us, but lets talk about Pukekohe a week later...

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## PUKEKOHE

### 21 FEBRUARY 1999

*by Paul Hansen*

Well the next weekend came around fairly quickly and again we met up with the Capri Club at 8.30am at Pukekohe this time. After an hours testing again we were into the sprinting. This time the Capri boy's had brought out some big guns. A very quick (we are talking about for us Greg!) Mk1 RS2600 with a 2800cc motor belonging to John Sampson and a quick 3000cc Mk1 belonging to "Gnome". The very light and quick 240Z of Mathias Herztike had also returned from the past.

Anyway to uphold our club we fronted with Hugh and Julie (yes, there's still a space or two left for that course) Pepper, Rob Chubb, Meryn Davis and myself, and yes I had a spin at the end of the front straight (happy Rob & Meryn!). I was told I had to mention that.

The day, as it normally does, went without any problems, hassles or stress. Julie was getting quicker and quicker as the day went on. Rob, we thought, was still coming to grips with all this new horsepower - or was he? After a quick once around the track it was confirmed that Robb had only been running on half throttle (actually the car not Robb). A slight modification saw Robb howl off into the distance with full throttle and much better

lap times as well. We take back all those bad things we (Meryn anyway) said about your driving Rob. We will see you in group 1 next meeting. And the prize giving...

Fastest time of the day went to Mathias with a 1.09:47. I managed a 1.10:83 for second. Meryn was third with a 1.11:53. The Peppers had a time (do not know which one) of 1.12:44 for forth.

Dispite Rob's throttle problems (that was not fixed to after the end of racing) he managed a win in group 2 with a time of 1.19:09.

Still plenty of these sprint meeting coming up so how about it!! We would love to see any members either to watch or compete. Taupo has it's big 2 day meeting at Easter. This is a excellent meeting to watch at if you don't have a race licence. I know 3 Zed guys that are going to race...

Want to learn more, then ring me on (09) 2985919 home.  
Paul Hansen.



# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear People,

After many a year and with a great deal of nostalgia, I regret to inform you all that I will not be continuing my membership. In times gone by, I think that those of you who know me, would see me as one who loved to race. The mere thought of Z passing Porsche was the greatest of all Gods gifts. As a bunch of 'motorheads', Z members take the cake for being the best of fun lovers and care givers to each other. The greatest of the worlds cars add up to a big zero if there are no gutsy personalities behind them. We have also seen two of our great leaders fall with Graham and Harry, these situations hurt us all very deeply and we shall never forget them.

I'm a 'past' racing nut. I never really liked car trials, concours and the like to be truthful. Zeds are a kind of rocket ship that need a severe caning all of the time. There is nothing like the feeling of getting on the door handles of Gillespie, Smithy etc, at 200K plus through the bendy bits – it's pure sex and it stays in your head, makes you feel real good.

My mind lacks the quick reaction time these days as I'm getting a bit long in the tooth. Also, the bloody politicians changed the working rules which cocked up any long term planning I had in store for weekends. One needs to race, and race often, NZ needs more tarseal and Auckland needs Manfield dug up and placed on top of Pukekohe – what ya reckon?

Not all is lost, I'll be back in the next life with Graham and Harry, I can promise you that they will be back racing with yours truly.

Love You All  
Geoff Rolfe-Smith

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Dear Patsy & Eddie  
Just a little note from down South (Super 12 winners in case you didn't know), to let you know

that Darren Good has gone over to the UK (again), this time for a few years to work with a motor racing team.

What a great joy and pleasure it was to have his 240Z arrive in Christchurch in 2000 bits, I've had some heaps in my time, but a completely stripped 240Z with rust holes everywhere is not a pretty sight, and it takes up so much room in my garage and to think it's going to be there for the next (10) years at least.

We (Darren and self) have competed in the three "Targa" events in a Honda Civic GTi, and have been amazed at the lack of 240-260 et c Zeds in this great event, as its an event made for these cars I would have though! One day I may have a 240 of my own and use that also for classic rallies.

Cheers for now, keep up the good work, I was a car club bulletin ed for 8 years and know what a thankless task it can be sometimes.

Doug Good  
(Darrens Old Man)  
Christchurch

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Dear Sir/Madam

Just a brief note to thank your club for including the Alfa Romeos in your recent meeting and also arranging two races for us.

Our Trofeo series is a fairly low profile race series and the format your organisers adopt, based on lap times, suits our drivers.

Please convey our appreciation to all your members involved with the event, we are pleased to see it return to the race calendar and look forward to participating again next year.

John Rhodes  
Alfa Sud Trofeo Series

# Z CHALLENGE SERIES

## RESULTS TO DATE

DRIVER	CAR	EVENT 1 (MTRKHANA)	EVENT 2 (CONCOURS)	EVENT 3 (DRAGS)	EVENT 4 (ECONO RUN)	EVENT 5 (GRASSH)	TOTAL POINTS (TO DATE)
Bruce Fensom	LH240Z	10					10
Steve Newenham		8					8
Kelvin Healy		23					23
Hugh Pepper	Z240	13					13
Mark Thompson	I ZX I		10				10
Steve Chong	Her ZX	9					9
Julie Pepper	Z260	11	18				29
Ken Brough	FV4253	18	11				29
James Allan	SHAMBO		8				8
Ricky Cooper		7					7
Brendon Winiata		6					6
Jonathan Cameron		5					5
David Lim			5				5
Ian Mueller			9				9
Richard Burkhead			3				3
Craig Toner			6				6
Dave Kirkham			8				8
Brian North			18				18
Dee Collins			23				23
Winsbury White			3				3



# MINI COOPER MOTORKHANA (DECEMBER 1998)

*Another fun day had by all – The first of the 1999 season Z Challenge Events got off to a roaring start. With ten Zeds fronting up at the line we far out numbered the other participating clubs (Cooper and Cortina). In fact, we had over half of the entries. It was great to see some new faces along with some not so new. Once again we thank the Cooper Car Club for their hospitality and for inviting us to yet another one of their events. We look forward to your Economy Run in May, and I look forward to seeing fellow Zedders at the next Challenge events.*

*Julie Pepper*

DRIVER	CAR	EVENT 1: WOGGLE		EVENT 2: INCR CIRCLES		EVENT 3: CLOVER LEAF		BEST TIMES	OVERALL PLACING	Z CHALL PTS
Kelvin Healy	240z	33.31	27.53	38.07	45.70	32.06	23.25	88.85	3	23
Ken Brough	240z	29.44	28.72	40.68	38.88	24.56	23.56	91.16	4	18
Hugh Pepper	240z	28.84	28.74	40.19	40.38	26.31	25.19	94.12	6	13
Julie Pepper	260z	31.25	29.94	41.87	40.53	25.03	24.42	94.89	8	11
Bruce Fensom	240z	38.86	30.69	44.75	42.16	25.08	25.00	97.85	9	10
Steve Chong	300zx	42.16	31.34	43.81	42.94	28.65	26.56	100.84	13	9
Steve Newenham	260z	30.5	32.4	42.75	42.03	24.59	24.28	103.71	15	8
Ricky Cooper	300zx	34.47	32.93	46.31	41.50	25.16	25.09	109.51	16	7
Brendon Winiata	240z	28.85	27	39.56	DNS	DNS	DNS	DNF	18	6
Jonathon Cameron	300zx	32.84	32	41.72	44.05	DNS	DNS	DNF	19	5

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Tee Shirts	Large, XL, XXL	White or Blue	\$18
Polo Shirts	Large, XL, XXL	White, Blue or Red	\$25
Badges	One Size	Traditional	\$10

These quality Tee Shirts and Polo shirts have been embroidered with the Club's emblem and are great value. We've done a limited run so you'll have to be quick. Send a cheque (please add \$2.50 for postage) . Make cheque payable to Datsun Z Club Inc

Datsun Z Club Inc  
P O Box 24-176  
Royal Oak  
Auckland

Or buy these items at the next club event, ask for Julie Pepper. Sweatshirts available to order at a price of \$40.

# PARTS FOR SALE

## Z PARTS FOR SALE:

**AUTOSPORT SEAT** Kevlar FIA spec, mounted on Momo seat rails (new) \$700. **PISTONS:** Venolia forged 87mm + race prepped rods (new pistons) \$1000. **ENGINE GIRDLE** (new) \$250. **CARBURETTOR TRUMPETS** carbon fibre for 45mm carbs (new) \$120. **RADIATOR** for 240Z, two core plus electric fan \$180. **ENGINE BLOCKS:** (1) 87MM race prepped and race prepped crank; (2) 86mm plus pistons, rods and crank chemically cleaned. Offers. **PERSONALISED PLATE:** \*1 240Z 1\* Offers.  
*Contact Neil Stanford (Work) (09) 256-3791 or (Home) (09) 266-8540*

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## SPLASH GUARDS:

Four attractive brand new black moulded splash guards to fit 240Z Coupe. Imported from USA for restoration project but now surplus to requirements. Selling for less than cost \$120 ono.  
*Phone Tom Smith (06) 753-9860 home or (07) 757-9159 work.*

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## MISCELLANEOUS PARTS:

**LD 28 WINGED SUMP:** Excellent for road or race L series engine to increase oil capacity. Complete with new gasket and "egg ring" around oil pick up pipe. \$130. **LOCKED DIFFS** a few ratio's left. Great for that extra traction out of the corners without the expense of a limited slip. \$150 each **GEARBOX:** Rebuilt "american" 4 speed gearbox. Suit 240, 260 & 280 Z. \$240. Numerous std. fuel injection bits and pieces and a whole host of other stuff that is taking up room in my garage. Ring me and haggle!  
*Phone Meryn at (09) 576-3701 or leave a message on the answerphone thingy if I'm not in.*

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## MORE MISCELLANEOUS PARTS:

**14X7 "GLOBE" MAGS:** These 5 spoke wheels have been powder coated white. Look good on any Z as they have plenty of off-set. Come complete with 60 series race tyres, second hand, but still a few meeting left. Great for someone who wants to do a few sprint meeting or race meeting but does not want to slip and slide around on their std road tyres. \$450 the lot. **ALSO** have 6 pieces of 205/55 ZR 16 Avon tyres. Brought them in to do Targa Rally but never quite got there! They have a tread wear of 160 so they are an excellent high performance road tyre or wet race tyre. Brand new. Cost me \$1800.00. \$1200. 00 for all six.  
*Phone Paul (09) 298-5919 after hours.*

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## DATSUN 280Z 2+2 PARTS:

Excellent red velour interior. Mags wheels and tyres - 14". Have heaps of parts for 280Z model. Give me a call for anything you need. No reasonable offers refused on any parts.  
*Phone Keith at (09) 2928-007. Remember, I'm a farmer so don't ring too early!*

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## PERSONALISED PLATES

Personalised plates for your Fairlady \*280ZXI\* open to offers.  
*Phone Des Henderson (03) 545-7363, Nelson.*

## **TURBO KIT**

Complete Turbo Kit including manifold and weber carb taken off a 280 block. Offers.  
Phone Matt Slater (09)410-1372 or (021) 638-613.

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## **MISCELLANEOUS PARTS**

FREE 60 Series 195\*14 Hankook Z2000 and 205\*14 Falken tyres. Not to WOF standard but OK as race spare. LOUVRE for 240/260 coupe. DRIVERS SEAT, black vinyl (minus runners) for 260Z. Has "Autosport" slots to enable race harness to be fitted \$25.

Phone Graeme Smith (09)528-5392 home or (09) 520-9499 work.

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# **CARS FOR SALE**

## **1974 DATSUN 260Z 2+2**

Very straight, original car with nose cone, rear louvre and original mags. Colour is metallic green. Restored to concours condition in 1986. Price \$6000.

Phone (09) 278-2598 or call in at 46 McLean Ave, Papatoetoe. Ask for Ken.

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## **1979 NISSAN FAIRLADY Z**

I have a 1979 Nissan Fairlady Z 2000cc, auto and has a HKS turbo fitted. The bodywork is very sound and has no rattles. The interior and upholstery is good, as is the paintwork for its age. Offers.

Phone Barry Bennett (07)378-0679 Taupo.

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## **1980 DATSUN 280ZX**

Datsun 280ZX export model. 64,000 miles. It was in Hong Kong until 1998. Colour Blue and Silver. Extras include "Nose Bra", light cowls, rear window cowl, stainless steel exhaust system, rust removed and steel replaced, rust treated. Radar alert, "Dead" switch, spare door and tailgate etc. In excellent condition for a 18 year old car. Paintwork not perfect, despite repainting.

Phone Phil Fry (09)575-4207

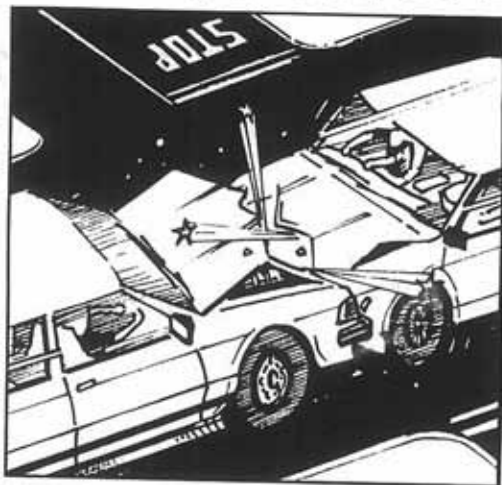
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# **WANTED**

## **Z COUPE 240 OR 260Z**

Reasonable condition, reliable motoring wanted for lady owner. \$5000 ish range. Phone Ken (07) 870-2222. Please help (even if you know of one) or she'll buy a Triumph...yuk!

# IF and when



THIS HAPPENS  
to  
**YOU**

**call the professionals**



54 Sunshine Ave (next to Mainfreight Transport),  
Te Rapa, PO Box 15193, Dinsdale, Hamilton.  
Phone and Fax: (07) 849-1459, After Hours: (07) 849-524

# THE FINE PRINT PAGE

## MEMBERSHIP DISCOUNTS

Members of this Club are able to avail themselves of discounts on quite a number of products and services. The list is ever-changing and at times complex, making it difficult to publish here. The best way is to ask someone of the Committee before you buy.

Holders of M.A.N.Z. licences (see below) qualify for a very extensive list of discounted items.

## COMPETITION LICENCES

You do not require a Competition Licence for Motokhanas, Trials Hill-climbs or Sprints, provided these aren't interclub competitions.

Members interested in more serious competition will need to go through a few formalities in order to participate. This is just a brief explanation of what it all means.

### Regional Licence:

This licence is the minimum requirement for all "Regional" M.A.N.Z. permitted competitions, as well as being required for all closed club Racing or Rallying. This Licence is issued by the M.A.N.Z. The cost is \$28.13.

### National Competition Licence:

This Licence is required for "National" status non-racing competitions. The cost is \$56.25, includes the N.Z. Motorsport Manual, plus your inclusion on the Motorsport News mailing list.

### National Racing Licence:

We recommend to those who wish to participate in RACING that you obtain a National Competition Licence in the first place, study-up on the Rules, then have it up-graded by an Approved Examiner.

This involves calling on an examiner listed in the front of the M.A.N.Z. book, passing a test on your knowledge of the racing flags and other rules, whereupon your licence will be endorsed "Racing".

## POCKET PATCHES

The Z-Club has embroidered Pocket Patches available to members at \$7.50 (inc. Post & G.S.T.). Send payment to our postbox.

## TRIALING BOOK

If you're one of those Trials Enthusiasts, our reproduced Trialing Book will be of great interest and value. Order through our postbox at \$4.00 - Trust me, it will help!

## THE POSTCARD

When you first joined the Z-Club, included with your New Member's Pack were some of those printed-blue postcards. We know - you filed them, didn't you? These cards are our main membership drive tool, and they work real well when they're used. The system works like this: you write your membership number on the top-right corner of the card (no, not in the space for the stamp!), go out and find a "Z" and place the card under its wiper blade. A club-points system for an annual prize is calculated on the cards returned. If each member was to do this just once a week, our membership would double in a year.

## FLAG MARSHAL'S CLUB

Many of our members who are sports car enthusiasts, though not keen on racing their own cars, find much pleasure and enjoyment in getting involved in the Sport as Flag Marshals. Very few people would be aware of the fact the every motoracing

event employs as many helpers as there are drivers out enjoying. You could well be one of those helpers, and you may find it to be great fun.

A stint on the flags is also highly recommended for those of you intending to take out Competition Licences.

Ring Maureen or Geoff Rolle-Smith, (09) 483-9878 for further information.

## INTERNATIONAL

Planning an overseas trip? This Club keeps contact with dozens of Z-Clubs throughout the world, therefore we are able to supply any member tripping off to anywhere (apart from Outer-Mongolia!) with a list of contact names & addresses. Visiting with these Clubs often proves to be the very best way of seeing another country, as well as letting you see firsthand how it's done (Z-wise) elsewhere.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

The Committee are charged with organising most of the events promoted by the Club. This does not mean that you are precluded from setting something up for the rest to enjoy.

If planning an event your way looks like a fun-thing to do, start setting it up, and talk to the Vice-Prez about it's feasibility and scheduling.

## ADDRESS CHANGES

Keeping up with the Gipsy characteristics of a couple-of-hundred Club-Members can be quite a battle. If you're planning to move your caravan, why not let us know? It surely makes things a lot easier. Please check that we have your current address, post-code, and phone number.



