



The NWDELetter

Northwest Datsun Enthusiasts

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Who are we? Northwest Datsun Enthusiasts (NWDE—pronounced ‘nude’) is an organization dedicated to the preservation and enjoyment of all Datsun/Nissan vehicles. We meet monthly (except December), and try to schedule automotive/social activities on a monthly basis (see Calendar of Upcoming events). We are members of the Western Washington Sports Car Council (WWSCC). NWDE is not affiliated with Nissan Motor Company, Ltd.

Got News? Please email it to news@nwde.org

Cover: Car Corral at SOVREN Pacific NW Historics, July 6, 2014



Up-Coming Events

Summer Season

- Jul 17-19 Mt Shasta Roadster Meet, Mt Shasta CA.
- Aug 10 Blue Lake Datsun Meet, Blue Lake Park OR
- Aug 16 Shedd Roadster BBQ, Shedd OR
- Aug 31 End of Summer Datsun BBQ. Tacoma, WA
- Sep 27 10th annual Japanese Classic Car Show, Long Beach CA

Need Parts?

- Wendy at Renton Younker Nissan has always been very helpful. She's been working in Datsun/Nissan parts departments for decades. 888-606-2305
- Riley Curtis at Lynchburg Nissan 888-691-9608
- Chad Smith @ Chico Nissan Hyundai 530-891-1777 ext 142



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Minutes

NWDE Meeting Minutes Thursday, June 19, 2014

Called to order at 7:40 by Tana

Attendees: Gordon, Tana, Jack, Don, Sandi, Antonio, Ted

Treasurer's Report - No Pete, so no Treasurer's report

Autocross Planning

- Coming up on June 21 (Saturday) in Shelton
- we're ready

Greenwood Car Show

- Pete is out, working on his car for Shasta
- We have three open slots

SOVREN Pacific NW Historics and Car Corral

- we're ready

Return to Renton Car Show

- We have eight people committed
- Meet at the Yankee Grill at 7:00 a.m.

Portland Historics (July 12-13)

- Featured make is Datsun!
- Jack will be driving his truck down

Canby Datsun Show

- It was wet!
- Lots of 510s

Photo contest suggested

- Submit a photo of your own Datsun
- No Web downloads
- Contest will run through July 31
- Will Joanne agree to be the judge?

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00



Return to Renton Car Show

By Ted H.

Sunday 6 July 2014: Good NWDE participation in the Return to Renton car show today. 6 roadsters, 2 trucks. Our eight Datsuns and one lone Z-car and a Toyota were the Japanese representatives. Their were two MGs but the rest was 99% American Iron.

NWDE club member Rowland showed his "new" 1950 Nash Statesman Custom. An excellent survivor that Rowland found in Idaho. The seats fold down into a bed!



Rowland's Nash is a wonderful 1950's boat!. Amazing original condition.

We got 2 awards. Rowland won the "Splendid Survivor" award plaque. I was the judge for the class so go figure, but Rowland owes me!.

The classes were a bit "cute" but John Valiton and Santosh got the the "Tune Her Up" award plaque for their yellow Roadster. Must have been the yellow paint.





Return to Renton (continued)



Tana found a potential buyer for her roadster.



Weather was beautiful. About 400 cars entered.



Return to Renton (continued)

Thanks to those who attended. Antonio, the organizer, Atsushi, Michelle, Davina, Don, Sandi, Rowland, John, Santosh, Burt, Tana and Ted.





2014 Seattle Historics

By Ted H.



Good NWDE day at the Vintage races today, Saturday July 5, 2014. Met early at Antonio's and he provided a good spread for us. Total of eight roadsters today. Had a fun track drive on slower than normal parade laps and I was nearly asphyxiated driving behind the SMOKY DEF Fastback rust bucket roadster.



Seattle Historics (continued)



Weather was excellent. Thanks to those who attended. Art, Don, Antonio, Atsushi, DEF, Pete and Jen Dills, Mark's? brother and his daughter, Ted and Ted Jr., Marty. Marty had a new 370Z on loan to demo from Eastside Nissan. What were they thinking!



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Greenwood Car Show

By Ted H.

6 July 2014B—A successful NWDE showing today at Greenwood. Weather was OK. Some clouds and a few sprinkles.



BIG spectator turnout as usual. NWDE had 11 vehicles: 5 trucks and 7 roadsters plus a 620 truck from a prospective member. The trucks exhibited hand crank starting with Jack K, Joe E and Dave F all starting a truck. The starting handles sticking out of our trucks were a big attraction.



Greenwood Car Show (continued)

I got the "Best Mini truck" award.



Thanks to those who attended: Jack K, Dave F, Ted, Rowland, John Valiton and Santosh, Antonio and Atsushi, Art B, Joe E, Don and Sandi Anderson and honorary NWDE member for the day, Joe S. And Burt Sandaval with the 620 truck.



AND THANKS to Jack K for being the Show Honcho!



2014 Portland Historics

By Jack K.— The Historic Motor Sports Assn (HMSA) hosted the Portland Historic Races this weekend featuring Datsun. This is the first time that HMSA has honored a Japanese auto maker - Datsun. Further, it is the 50th anniversary of Datsun Racing. Paul Jaremko brought down his 1964 red 1500 roadster which won the first national Datsun racing event. There were over 30 Datsun racers mostly 510s and Zs. The car corral had 50 cars including: 240, 280 and 370 Z cars; 1600 and 2000cc roadsters; 510s including a rotary one; two 320 pickups and one 520 pickup. This event was well attended.



Pete D and Jennifer, his nephew and mother in-law drove down from N Bend. We spent time "chillin" in their deluxe motor home to escape the 90 degree heat. Pete and I drove in the parade lap at a maximum of 30 mph.

I was lucky enough to be invited to the HMSA group driver photo (available in a week) as well as the banquet with the featured speaker - John Morton of BRE racing. He gave a great talk and signed free posters and hats. You guys missed out. Pete already sent out photos of the event. C U there next year!



Club Meetings

When: Third Friday each month

Time: 7:30 pm. Folks usually arrive earlier to gather & gawk at vehicles, then order pizza.

Where: As of January 2014, the meeting will be at a NEW and more central location:

Yankee Grill

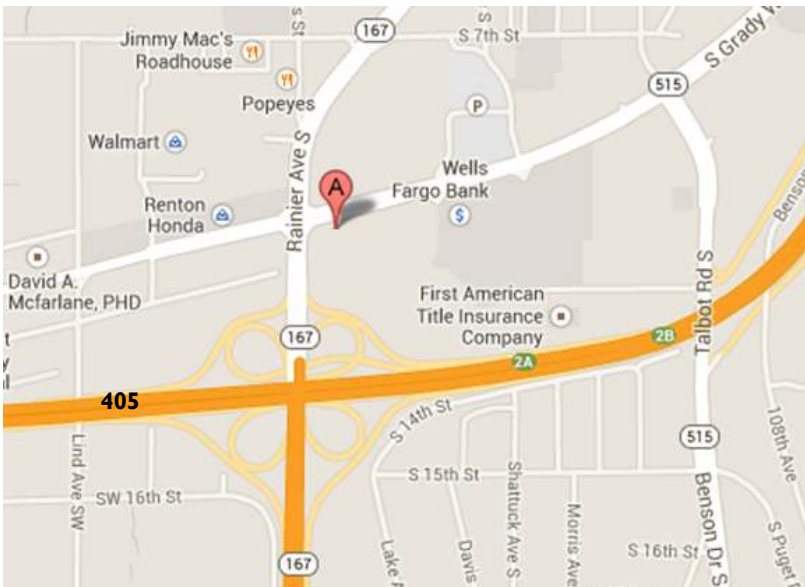
One South Grady Way

Renton WA 98057

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Directions:

1. Take I-405 to Renton
2. Take the northbound Rainier Ave S exit (167 + Rainier exit)
3. Once on Rainier, immediately get in the far right lane
4. Turn right (east) on S Grady Way
5. Yankee Grille is in the first shopping complex on the right (turn in just before the Chevron station)



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