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Just another 87 Spec car build Posted by xsboost90 - 11 Mar 2011 19:46

Ok so i was told that i could not use my turbo tub for a spec car build, but i was determined to stick w/a late chassis. Came across this on Craigslist and decided to buy it and get some cash back from some of the aftermarket parts on the car. It also came w/ some factory 15's besides the D90 wheels on it. Then im trading the rear lower turbo valance for another set of late 15's from my brother in law who swapped wheels on his S. Right now im in the collecting phase and after the turbo is parted i'll start ripping into her. Just picked up my 88 motor tonite from a friend down the street- he's been hoarding this for some time.

Re: Just another 87 Spec car build

Posted by xsboost90 - 10 Jun 2011 03:19

yeah i still have a couple years left on my seat before it needs the brace, but i think it'll be installed before i race the car.

Re: Just another 87 Spec car build

Posted by xsboost90 - 15 Jun 2011 18:20

so the other day i installed the torsions. Measured. Measured again. Dropped them in and started installing the rear carrier. I decided after the first test fit that the rear would be too high so i pulled the bars and dropped them one spline. Once the car was on the ground it was apparent that it was wayyy too low and i needed to redo what i just undid. Tonite i tried again, one side at a time and raised it back up one spline and w/ the accentrics lowered the rear looks great. Once there is gas in the car, a hatch, exhaust and such the rear should sit perfectly. Since the rear was back in i decided to put my pretty new shocks on also. Photo opp!

Re: Just another 87 Spec car build Posted by xsboost90 - 15 Aug 2011 18:14

so its been awhile since i worked on the race car as ive been doing my fatherly/husbandly duties and working on the Chumpcar 944 for a VIR race a couple weeks back. I have since completed some projects and can now somewhat resume workingo on the car for awhile. Decided since i had the car on rollers to push it outside and spray off under the hood. Once the gunk was removed i got out the rubbing compound and some rags and polished up under there some. It really is amazing how clean this makes

things when you spend the time to do it- yes im OCD.

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Next i decided to tear into the new motor. An 88 944 motor that my buddy had in his car when he wrecked it years ago, i figured a thorough once through was required. I pulled the motor down to a bear block in about an hour and tomorrow im taking the crank and another i have to the machine shop to be mic'd and see which once is best- then polish. Also having a baffle welded into the pan while we are at it. The bores look pretty good so its time to get out the cleaner and assembly lube and start ordering parts....

Re: Just another 87 Spec car build Posted by xsboost90 - 13 Oct 2011 17:23

got the lower end together but had to use the head gasket kit on the Chumpcar at our last race. Waiting for the new head gasket kit w/ wide fire ring and another kevlar belt to show up and i can start assembling and maybe get the thing in this month. SOld the chumpcar this week so its time to hammer down on this project and get it ready for next year.

Re: Just another 87 Spec car build Posted by Sterling Doc - 13 Oct 2011 18:01

Great to see you back at it, Dan!