

New so cal 944 here

Posted by reflexr - 09 Jun 2014 13:33

Hey all, met a few of you at Buttonwillow, Sunday, good words, plenty of encouragement. Short story, right place and time = free '83 944, minus the transaxle. Found one from a 924s, installing next weekend.

I have been working on cars since I was about 12, raced karts from 7-12, FF from 16-18, hiatus from driving on track til 05(17 years), when I bought a used mustang cobra, and joined the SVTOA. I now have an 06 Mustang, V6, fully suspended, that I open track quite often, time trailed a few times with other groups, but is also my DD.

The 944spec will be my full time track car, and with some love from you all, she should be up and running within the month. I plan on bringing it to WSIR in July, just to get some of your reactions/tips. I look forward to seeing you all there.

The plan is to sort the car over the winter, and be competing in 2015.

I need a roll cage.

Thanks for the support!

Joey Genitempo

Re: New so cal 944 here

Posted by reflexr - 04 Jan 2015 13:14

What a great day at the swap in Escondido! I got hooked up with some rear shocks, a wheel from Tim that hopefully someone can bring to chuckwalla, some 375# springs, and more helpful advice from Chuck and Tim. Clutch, T belt, camber plates, thanks wifey, and the last of my bushings are going to be here next week! Still stripping the car down.

Re: New so cal 944 here

Posted by tcomeau - 10 Jan 2015 09:42

Joey, just thought of something. If you're putting in a 924S tranny, it should already have a short fifth gear.

Let us guys know what else you need.

Re: New so cal 944 here

Posted by reflexr - 10 Jan 2015 15:01

Ahh, no, I have an 85 transaxle, with an lsd. I am getting your short 5th put in it in two weeks. All I need now are sway bar bushings! I'm running an 18 in the rear, and a 23 in the front. It's what I got!

The car is an '88. I am running early control arms, will I have any issues?

Am I correct in reading that you can't run cookies on an '88? They do stick out quite a bit! And if so, I have 2sets of cookies for sale.

Re: New so cal 944 here

Posted by tcomeau - 12 Jan 2015 08:54

Joey, I'll take both sets of cookies. I can get you sets of ABS offset phonies.

Short arms will need short tie rods.

The bearings are a different size on the 87-88 spindles.

The longer control arms mean less camber change during suspension compression.

Re: New so cal 944 here

Posted by reflexr - 12 Jan 2015 09:21

I'll take your greenies!! One of the cookies is a little out of round? From sitting on a flat tire for five years in Joshua Tree heat.

So I have to use early PS tie rod ends? I have a few sets.

Will the bearing size matter if I am just swapping the LCAs out?

Sounds like another plus on the camber aspect of this 88.

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