straight pipe for exhaust? Posted by nkgosselin - 27 Apr 2010 05:46

Want to drop the heavy stock muffler, and I think I have seen a few cars without a muffler.

Any tracks in RM region I have to worry about running no muffler? Don't feel like spending money on a lighter model muffler if I don't have to.

Any reason not to run with no muffler?

Re:straight pipe for exhaust? Posted by 944Racer72 - 28 Apr 2010 06:49

These cars respond pretty well to headers but Spec cars have to run factory manifolds. I'm guessing that the stock manifolds are the most restrictive part of the exhaust and you aren't going to see much difference by changing things downstream.

I remember someone doing a comparison on a 944 Cup car with headers and finding very little difference by changing from stock exhaust to aftermarket muffler to open pipe. IIRC, they were all within a couple of HP.

Typically the more open the system, you gain a couple of HP at the expense of a couple of TQ for no real net gain.