

## Covid-19 lock-down

Posted by Marty J - 2020/05/22 19:57

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How's everybody keeping with the lockdown?

I started back at work this week. I haven't been able to do anything with my MR2 because it's kept at my parents house. So I'm unable to visit as they are elderly.

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## Re: Covid-19 lock-down

Posted by Juliuswvs - 2020/05/23 08:57

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Hey Marty,

I'm keeping alright, didn't get sick fortunately.  
All I had in the past good few weeks is time and luckily I was able spend many days for my 2.  
I've done everything I could think of which will be a pic heavy topic when I post it up.

Cheers

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## Re: Covid-19 lock-down

Posted by shanec - 2020/05/25 13:42

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Hi All,

haven't posted much here since i joined but i've nearly got all the jobs sorted on my rev3 gts at this stage (been working from home during this lockdown so have had less time to work on it)

Last job is to get a respray which should be going ahead this weekend, all going well :fatcat:

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## Re: Covid-19 lock-down

Posted by b4ss - 2020/06/12 11:45

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Sounds interesting :)

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## Re: Covid-19 lock-down

Posted by Marty J - 2020/06/16 16:05

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## Re: Covid-19 lock-down

Posted by shanec - 2020/06/17 12:47

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how does the size of this system compare to the oem?

how did you decide to use this system? Price/performance?

just interested in the pros/cons. I am keeping my engine setup as close to standard as possible at the moment but always good to know what alternatives are available

Shane

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## Re: Covid-19 lock-down

Posted by Marty J - 2020/06/17 15:42

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It's still in the design stage, but I know it will be longer. It's going in the boot so I don't need to worry about space.

If you look up Laminova intercoolers you will see that they are very efficient at heat transfer, more so than regular air/water intercoolers.

I'm not sure what the final cost is going to be, but it will be quite a bit more than a regular aftermarket intercooler for the MR2 Turbo.

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## Re: Covid-19 lock-down

Posted by silverlux - 2020/07/04 20:39

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Hey everyone, good to see site still running.

During lock down got around to clean up my 2 after another year of storage.

You can't really buy that priceless smell of old mr2 interior...

Filled her up with fresh juice, started first turn and took for spin on backroads.  
Ticks over like clock and everything works as it should.  
Apart from driver side door, wont unlock.  
Any suggestions on solution?

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**Re: Covid-19 lock-down**

Posted by Marty J - 2020/07/10 07:27

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The door won't unlock with key, key fob remote or both?

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**Re: Covid-19 lock-down**

Posted by silverlux - 2020/07/16 13:45

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No fob, when using key it feels that lock is stuck, even from inside unlock switch is in lock position.  
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**Re: Covid-19 lock-down**

Posted by Juliuswws - 2020/07/20 22:06

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It sounds like the whole door lock mechanism is stiffened up.  
I would take the carpet off and wash down the lock with WD40 (I hate that stuff) or some penetrating oil while operating it at the same time. You could also spray from the lock side.  
All the oil flowing down into the doors bottom will provide corrosion protection so you shouldn't worry about that. I sprayed waxoil in my, but that's another topic.  
Once washed down, I would spray some grease on it. You can get them in a can.

I used lithium spray grease on mine many years ago as preventative maintenance. Looks silly as its white, but no one sees it.  
Still works perfect and the grease is still more less covering it.

Before you start washing it off, there is a little 3-wire sliding switch mounted on it responsible for detecting which way you turn the key. You might want to take it off when flushing the lock.

While there, you can lubricate the whole window regulator as preventative maintenance.  
Also, just a tip: The rods connecting the handles to the lock are adjustable if you want better feel (less

backlash on the handle) when opening the door.

Hope it helps  
Cheers

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**Re: Covid-19 lock-down**

Posted by Marty J - 2020/07/23 18:18

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Try this link, there's some useful info in there.

<https://www.mr2oc.com/threads/mk2-door-lock-latch-stuck-any-suggestions.93968/>

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**Re: Covid-19 lock-down**

Posted by doc84 - 2020/07/29 09:40

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Hi everyone,

Its been a long time since I posted here :). Been popping in every now and then though and glad to see the sites still up.

Dragged my car out of purgatory (back laneway) where it lived for 6 years and doing a resto on it now in the driveway. Its been laying up for going on 9 years total now and followed me with house moves yadda yadda. Engine etc came out with a bit of persuasion and front suspension all done with new bushes with meister r's going in all round. Gearbox will be sent to Elm hall for a check, new clutch, TB kit and other essentials in progress.

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**Re: Covid-19 lock-down**

Posted by ricky2 - 2020/07/30 15:35

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Glad to hear your still at it Marty

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**Re: Covid-19 lock-down**

Posted by Marty J - 2020/07/30 16:14

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Painfully slow, but I'm determined to get the MR2 back on the road.

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**Re: Covid-19 lock-down**

Posted by Marty J - 2020/11/17 11:17

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I'm learning to TIG weld aluminium, but struggling. I need to study more videos on YouTube.

Should I master it I will make a few things for my MR2.

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**Re: Covid-19 lock-down**

Posted by Bommie - 2020/11/26 19:48

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Great to see everyone using the lockdown time to do bits and pieces to their cars.

I'm making extremely slow progress on my own with engine and gearbox removed along with most other parts.

If anyone has any recommendations on someone reliable to do a full refresh of the engine (General check as well as all new gaskets,seals,rings etc) please let me know

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**Re: Covid-19 lock-down**

Posted by perry - 2021/03/16 17:26

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Hi bommie I only saw your last message on this topic today i couldn't remember my password for the site so haven't been on in unfortunately AGES!! Are you still looking for a mr2 (specialist Mechanic)?? I'm not sure what part of this island your from but i have a extremely good mate in Kildare Newbridge area that I would HIGHLY recommend for engine rebuilds body and rust repair and full resprays in fact anything to do with mr2s he's the man to go to. If you want pm me and I'll send you his number and ps he's not overly expensive but definitely worth every Penny know question  
Regards billy

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**Re: Covid-19 lock-down**

Posted by TurboD - 2021/03/29 14:53

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Hi lads and ladies, I hope everyone is well. It's hard to believe we are still in lockdown a year now. I haven't been on in ages as I forgot my password but I'm back now and looking forward to reading through all the old threads. I still have my red mk1 and still drive it most days to get out within our 5k. Kids wave at me thinking it's a Ferrari ha ha sure so do I

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**Re: Covid-19 lock-down**

Posted by Quandry - 2021/03/30 16:38

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Hi TurboD, I'm sure your 2 is still looking amazing - it always did!

I hope to get mine back up and running in a year or two on vintage tax ;)

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**Re: Covid-19 lock-down**

Posted by Marty J - 2021/04/01 15:22

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Hi TurboD.

How about posting some photos of your MR2. Have you done anything with it recently?

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