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Who's going to Llihrednuht? Posted by Litespeeds - 04 May 2009 23:48
Just curious as to who is planning on going to Llihrednuht at the end of this month 5/30-31. I am not planning on going because we always celebrate both my kids birthday that weekend with our families. I hope you guys can get at least 5 for this event.
Re:Who's going to Llihrednuht? Posted by JerryW - 02 Jun 2009 09:26
It could well be, but the car would start up after some period of rest (without a recharge). When I measured the battery I took out of the car it measured 12.7V (which should have been enough to kick the car over).
Re:Who's going to Llihrednuht? Posted by Litespeeds - 04 Jun 2009 03:49
Hey Jerry,
Another guy seems to have a similar problem. Here is what's happening on Rennlist
forums.rennlist.com/rennforums/924-931-9t-start-problem.html
Re:Who's going to Llihrednuht? Posted by JerryW - 04 Jun 2009 04:40
Difference is he is getting the starter to crank.
My problem appears as when hot the starter will not spin therefore not attempt to start the car. Symptoms very like a run down battery but after cooling the same battery has been able to start the car.
Suspects are:

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Battery cables to starter and alternator
2) Alternator not charging
3) Starter heat soaking
4) Ignition switch
Re:Who's going to Llihrednuht? Posted by Gary_44 - 04 Jun 2009 04:54
Jerry,
Did you test the starter both in both cold and hot state?
I assume your getting no spark at the coil after it dies?
I haven't tried this on the 944, but have on another car when stranded way out in the boondocks.
Same description, lost spark after it warmed up and then starter no crank, but plenty of voltage in the battery. I ran a hotwire straight from the positive battery to the + post of the coil to bypass the DME and everything that might send an interrupt signal, and since the starter was still frozen, push started the car and to my surprise it actually started! We only ran it like that enough to get home.
I still don't know why, but I ended up replacing the starter and solenoid and it was cured. I guess the ignition circuit was routed through the starter to the coil?
Re:Who's going to Llihrednuht? Posted by JerryW - 04 Jun 2009 05:28
Haven't done any testing yet except putting a DVM on the battery when it had a problem after being towed in. Strange thing is that adding a jump box allowed it to start. So on Sat after the failure I put a new full size battery in place of the lightweight. Problem happened again on Sunday with the new battery within the day.

Still need to do some dedicated DVM work which will take place on this weekend

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