

# A LOVE LETTER TO THE HAWKEYE



For both Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution and Subaru Impreza WRX/STI owners, there is a certain pride to be had in owning a car that was built for the sole purpose of competition, only sold to the public for meeting homologation regulations. No matter how great the cars are, the Lancer Evo X and the Impreza GH series some-



Is Shahrir Aziz's Subaru Impreza the STI Spec C model that was homologated for rallying? Not really, because his brilliant white Subie is a WRX. However, the motorsport link is there alright – originally built by Saad Mujtaba Zaman (whose Civic we've featured before on Shift), the parts used in this WRX have seen track use in Singapore under Subaru SPT and were built to last and take a thorough beating while delivering the highest levels of performance. The car has an entirely built block – forged pieces replace the connecting rods, bearings, pistons. TopTech provided the intercooler, radiator, oil



Shahriar is studying automotive engineering at Minnesota State University in the United States. For a lifelong car enthusiast known for going a bit mad with the experimentation - he turbocharged a basic 1NZFE powered Toyota Corolla to deliver power and coincidentally, torque steer back when most kids were doubtful of putting air intakes on their cars - his Subaru seems a bit...regular. That's because the engine is currently slightly de-tuned so Shahriar can drive it every day when

Not that its low on power by any account – Shahriar says this car pushes well beyond 400 HP quite reliably, which is where this Subie is headed in the near future. Shahriar just wants to tinker around with his rally car for the road, and go cruising with his friends in comfort – no better car than a tuned Impreza WRX for that.

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AUTO NEWS



Will our local Volvo dealers, Eurocars Ltd., bring in the XC60 Polestar? Most likely not, but we can wait and see. Or just grab a regular XC60, which is brilliant enough on its own.



Gordon-Lennox, Earl of March,  
at his home in Goodwood  
Estate in West Sussex,  
England. The Festival of

This year, the Goodwood Festival of Speed featured Formula 1 legend Bernie Ecclestone as the central display, with usual highlights of Formula 1 racing spread throughout the paddock. There were drifting displays by everything from a Mazda MX5 and RTR Mustang to a 1200 HP Nissan GTR, while Formula Drift Champion Chris Fosberg crashed in his

Standouts from the manufacturer displays were the mouthwatering new Renault Alpine, which sounds and looks like the 70's but goes like the 2000s – and the hyper-exclusive, 300 units-only Jaguar XE SV Project 8.

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