

MEV OWNER'S GROUP NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2010

Welcome to the sizzling summer edition! Since our March newsletter we have had plenty to keep us busy and lots of outings. We have exhibited at the three kit car shows to date (Detling, Stoneleigh and Newark), and in addition to this, Team MEV have pursued their new manifesto by ensuring the entire MEV range has been shown at events outside of the kit car circle. More details of these on the following pages.

DETLING KIT CAR SHOW – 4TH & 5TH APRIL

The Detling show was held over the Easter weekend at the beginning of April. We exhibited the Atomic, Rocket, Missile and tR1ke.

TEAM MEV BRIGHT AND READY ON DAY 1.

PAUL FEELS THE RESULTS OF PEAKING TOO EARLY!



DETLING. COLD BUT BUSY.

GLEN AND SEAN MADE IT TO DETLING DESPITE THE HOWLING COLD WIND!

THE INTERNATIONAL STYLING & TUNING SHOW – 10TH & 11TH APRIL



Team MEV were out in force on what magnificently turned out to be the hottest day of the year so far. A mini heatwave hit Silverstone. On display we had the Sonic7, Atomic, tR1ke, and Rocket. There was a huge attendance at this show, thousands of people turned up in their tuned up, pimped up, souped up cars. It was a MAX POWER magazine come to life and sights to be seen were not for those who have led sheltered lives!

THESE LEGS HAVEN'T SEEN THE LIGHT OF DAY SINCE LAST YEAR!

The cars went down a storm, the show goes loved the modern styling of the MEV range, and when they discovered the cost of getting any of the MEV cars on the road, particularly compared to the price some of them had spent on their own cars, and then add insurance, they were genuinely surprised.



Sonic7 attracting a whole new audience!

The boys cooling off after all the excitement!



THE ALTERNATIVE ENERGY DAY, SANTA POD – 23RD APRIL

Another fabulous sunny day. Every time we go to Santa Pod the sun shines, maybe we should re-locate! This year MEV took the Battmobile and we were thrilled with the results. There were 30 entrants this year and we came third. 1st place went to a superb converted beetle named "Blackcurrent", they achieved 117 mph. Second place went to the importer's Tesla with 105 mph, and the Battmobile was third at 62.13 mph. Once again, thank you to Richard and Chris from County Batteries, Mansfield for their help and support this year.



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Alternative Energy Racing at Santa Pod

On Friday 23 April 2010 Stuart Mills from Mills Extreme Vehicles entered the 'Battmobile' into Santa Pod's Alternative Energy Event.

During the event his best run was:

330 feet, seconds	1/8 mile, seconds	1/8 mile, mph	1/4 mile, seconds	1/4 mile, mph
4.6385	12.2705	56.89	19.7082	62.13

This time earned the team **third place in the electric vehicle class.**


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240
260
280
300

The fastest motorsport on earth!



SANTA POD (contd)

Battmobile lining up for drag strip, don't get too near to the rear of the one on the left unless you want to be melted!
(Bio-fuel powered dragster!).



This turned out to be the fastest run of the day at 62.13 mph. The Santa Pod track is covered with a sticky substance to keep slicks on track, not helpful for us from a rolling resistance point of view!



THE SUN CAN HAVE A WEIRD EFFECT ON SOME PEOPLE AND
STUART DECIDED HE NEEDED TO BE A VIKING AND
GO IN SEARCH OF A HOT DATE!



.....wasn't long before he found one!!



PERFORMANCE CAR SHOW AT MALLORY PARK – 1ST MAY

The eagle eyed among you will have noticed this is actually set up day at Stoneleigh! Not wishing to miss an opportunity though TEAM MEV decided to exhibit at Mallory Park and set up at Stoneleigh in the evening. This involved lots of loading and unloading of vehicles! The Eco-Exo was shown for the first time ever and drew lots of interest.

Early at Mallory Park



Battmobile on track.



MEV BATTMOBILE v CORVETTE!!



MEV v ICE CREAM CONES!!



STONELEIGH KIT CAR SHOW – 2/3 MAY

Stoneleigh was very exciting this year. The Eco-Exo was unveiled at its first ever kit car show and Team MEV occupied a huge stand displaying a total of seven modern, affordable, fun to build and drive vehicles. The stand was swamped for the weekend, and we had a visit from Tiff Needell who checked out every single vehicle in the MEV range.

After Mallory, Stoneleigh, unloading again!!

Arrive on set up day, get roped in for jobs!



BATMOBILE & ECO-EXO (MEV'S ANGELS!!)



STONELEIGH KIT CAR SHOW (contd)

Tiff and Stuart talking about eco vehicles.....and he quite likes this car!



ADE AND WILL AFTER A DRIVE OUT WITH ANDY AND DEBS.



NIGEL'S SMART NEW DASH POD



NOT A GOOD TIME FOR TECHNICAL QUESTIONS!!



EAST MIDLANDS CENTRE FOR AUTOMOTIVE TRAINING – 12TH MAY

MEV was proud to be asked to display the electric Missile at the official opening of the East Midlands Centre for Automotive Training. The Centre provides training for staff of major manufacturers including BMW, General Motors, Honda, Jaguar, Kia, Land Rover, Mazda, Suzuki and VW. MEV is currently involved with the Centre developing a training course for technicians to qualify to work on electric vehicles. The opening was attended by management from the above manufacturers and others including Saab, Vauxhall, and Toyota. Sarah Sillars, who is the Executive Chair of the Institute of the Motor Industry performed the opening ceremony.

A group of guests learning about the Missile



Stuart and Sarah Sillars



PRESTWOLD HALL – 27TH MAY

Team MEV took the game up a step when we took a Rocket to the Everyman Racing track and handed it over to an experienced racing driver and an ex-Aston Martin driver, for some private testing in professional hands on a track. The results couldn't have been better. The testing was extremely successful with just a few tweaks required to the Rocket's standard road guise. Among the many comments from our experts were "the handling is superb", "it's a brilliant track car", "I would much rather take customers in this car than a Caterham". Excellent. A Rocket is now being prepared for Everyman Racing who will be doing a nationwide press release when the Rocket joins their stable of Ferraris, Lambo's, Aston's etc.



NATIONAL MODS EXHIBITION, PETERBOROUGH – 29/30TH MAY

Team MEV took a Rocket to another non kit-car event at the end of May.



This is getting to be a bit of a habit.....!!!



NEWARK KIT CAR SHOW – 19TH/20TH JUNE

The Newark show was chosen to launch the brand new MEV EXOCET. Great excitement ensued as we managed to get the car to the show and into the hall covered up, with only a glimpse of orange peeking out at the bottom of the cover! The car was launched with an official unveiling during Saturday morning, and then, we did it again the next day for the benefit of the Sunday show go-ers! Interest in the Exocet was phenomenal. This car is the CHEAPEST and EASIEST car to build ever to be offered. There are now also alternative body panels on offer. The MEV Exocet has got legs!!

UNVEILING DUTIES COURTESY OF THE MATTSMEV FAMILY



STUART HANDING OUT EXOCET INFO



SUNDAY UNVEILING



NEWARK SHOW (contd)

The Newark show is always a lot of fun. Kevin Musson runs the show and he is a great bloke, he's very accommodating to all the crazy things his customers want to do, which this year on the MOG field included finding enough water to fill up the luxury Olympic sized swimming pool!

These MOGgers called in to MEV Mansfield on the way to Newark.

Just need water and the mankinis now then...



SONIC WAITING FO A BURGER!

ENTERTAINMENT AT THE EATERIE!



A PINT OF WHATEVER THESE MOGGERS ARE HAVING PLEASE!

MOGGERS DO ALL THEIR OWN STUNTS!



NEWARK SHOW (contd.)

Card throwing getting out of hand.....



AT ANDY'S FOR TOASTED MARSHMALLOWS.



THE GIGGLE JUICE STARTS TO TAKE EFFECT!



HOUSE, SWIMMING POOL, BEER & A ROCKET, WHAT MORE COULD YOU POSSIBLY WANT?

LOVE MEANS OWNING A MEV!

SEE YOU AT CURBOROUGH.



MEV KIT BUILDS

This Rocket is being built in Lahore, here's a recent picture of its progress. WOW! Far out!



This is John's Sonic7 looking fantastic and almost ready for its IVA



MEV KIT BUILDS (contd)

This is Michael's gorgeous road registered Rocket..... he says "a 911 Carrera can't get near it" ...



...and this is why:

Take one lightweight MEV kit and put in a 2.0 Litre Zetec, Powerworks Supercharger Kit, racing big ends, uprated head gasket, custom made twin core alloy radiator, Dreamscience programming unit, uprated clutch, ATB Quaife differential, modified drive shafts...and a host of other goodies.....the result,.....220 bhp at the rear of a 480 kg Rocket. This is NUTS. We recommend you do not try this at home (serious performance like this only goes together well with serious driver talent and a track, you have been warned).



IVA

Well done to everyone who has passed the IVA since the last newsletter, including Steve whose super orange and black Rocket is pictured below left at the Newark show. The MEV tR1ke passed its MSVA with ease and is now based at RTR as a demonstrator available for chauffeured test rides.



MISSILE & BATTMOBILE

Adrian kindly came to MEV HQ for a day to help us with some filming of the Missile. We had a beautiful sunny day.

Back in the Battcave!



ECO-EXO

The time constraints of supplying our existing kits meant that we really needed to find a good home for the Eco-Exo, and we are very happy to report that intrepid Rocket builder Scott, and his team, have now officially taken over the project. Although no longer a MEV product, we have every confidence that Scott & co. will do it justice. There is a separate website now for the Eco-Exo where you can keep up to date with progress and sales information. (Find the link on the MEV website).

ADVERTISING

The adverts continue to run, and have now expanded to include some non kit car publications such as PPC. All the adverts can be seen on the MOG site.

QUOTE CORNER

Quotes picked up from the MEV Forum.

Andy P "My mate Phil who.....hopes to put in an order for his Rocket. It really made his mind up after Will and Adrian took them out in their Rockets. He hasn't stopped smiling".

We are happy to say Phil has now ordered his Rocket.

Nigel "having grown both upwards and outwards with age has left me finding it difficult to find a kit car that's wide enough and strong enough to take the bulk. Until now."

Barry "I like modern cars and the Sonic is exactly what I want. Wait till the real racing gurus get hold of one and race prepare it. It's gonna blow everything away."

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

31st July 2010. The first Annual MEV Owner's Group meeting is fast approaching. This will take place at Curborough Sprint Course. You can camp Friday or Saturday night, or both, tea and coffee will be available as well as a bbq. ALL MEV owners are welcome. If you have a MEV that is driveable but not yet road registered then you are welcome to bring it on a trailer. The cost is very low for a track event. This is a non-profit making day, we are just covering costs, any surplus will be put back for prezzies for attendees. We would love to see you there, so if your diary is free please make it a date now. Any questions please contact Stuart on info@mevltd.co.uk.

MOG CURBOROUGH TRACK DAY – 31ST JULY 2010-07-07
NUMBERS ARE LIMITED SO YOU WILL NEED TO PAY IN ADVANCE

£40 MEV OWNER/DRIVER USING TRACK £20 MEV OWNER/DRIVER'S FRIEND OR FAMILY USING TRACK
FREE AGE 10-16 YRS (SORRY NO UNDER 10'S) £10 MEV OWNER/DRIVER'S FRIEND OR FAMILY NOT USING TRACK

Payment can be made by cheque to Mills Extreme Vehicles Ltd or on our paypal account which named info@mevltd.co.uk. We look forward to seeing you at Curborough.

LATEST EXOCET NEWS

Since the Newark show (only two weeks ago!) we have had our heads down working on the Exocet and come up with some really exciting tweaks to the prototype, we have also made a change to the pricing structure to INCLUDE VAT on this kit which is the CHEAPEST kit car IN THE WORLD!



BUILD THE MEV EXOCET FOR ONLY £2,000 including VAT

Also includes the cost of an MX5 donor

The MEV EXOCET is MX5 based with an enormously improved power to weight ratio. It takes only 2 hours to remove the body shell, leaving a rolling chassis. Over a million MX5's have been sold since 1989, they have excellent dynamics and bullet proof reliability. You don't see them in scrap yards so you can sell the parts you're not going to use for more than it cost for the whole car! Opt for a 1.6 (120bhp), 1.8 (131bhp) or 2.0 (167bhp). The best bargains are MOT failures in the autumn. Always lots on Ebay.

The fully comprehensive kit includes; a fully bracketed chassis & integral roll bar, alloy floor panels, alloy transmission tunnel, front & rear bulkheads, side panels, grille mesh, 4 wing mounts, nut & bolt pack, roll of brake pipe, roll of edge trim, p clips, self tappers & rivets, GRP bonnet, rear cover, lower rear panel and wings, vinyl graphics set, colour choices: yellow, orange, black, white, red, light green,

MEV EXOCET - THE EASIEST KIT CAR IN THE WORLD TO BUILD

Fully comprehensive kit INCLUDING VAT @ 17.5%	£2500
MX5 donor, Ebay prices from £400, our 1995 1.8 car cost £710 but say plus	£ 500
Ebay spares, see summary below, our sales generated £1218 but say minus	£1000
TOTAL INCLUDING VAT @ 17.5%	£2000

MEV EXOCET – THE CHEAPEST KIT CAR IN THE WORLD TO BUILD

We received £1218 for the un-required parts from a car we paid £710 for (see below)

Doors sell for	£40 each	Front Wings	£45 each
Fuel Cap Release Cable	£10	Bonnet	£40
Bonnet Release Cable	£10	Seats (£400 for A1 leather)	£150 (or use them)
Hard Top	£400	Soft Top with Rear Window	£150
Bumpers	£70 each	Roll Bar Hoops (if fitted)	£80
Front Strut Brace (if fitted)	£65	Door Glass	£20 each
Carpet Set	£40	Lights	£20 each x 4
Front Indicators	£15 each	Door Lock Set	£50
Wiper Motor	£20	Headlamp	£50
Scrap Body Shell	£35	Rear Number Plate Housing	£12
Window Motors	£25 each	Wing Mirrors (£45 each if elec)	£25 each

Donor Components; engine, gearbox, handbrake & cables, instruments, prop shaft, drive shafts, front & rear uprights, hubs, brakes, wishbones, shock absorbers, springs, fuel tank, fuel pump, fuel cap, seat belts, steering column & wheel, steering rack, exhaust, pedal assembly, wiring harness, ecu, seats, radiator, wheels/tyres & battery.

Optional Extras; powder coated chassis (black gloss only) £250, pair of colour matched GRP seats £200, full lighting set including steel tube mountings with end caps & projector type high/low beam headlights & rear reflectors £250. ALL inc VAT.

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The next newsletter will be after the Exeter show towards the end of October, in the meantime, enjoy building and driving your MEV.

**MEV OWNER'S
THEIR MIDDLE NAME
IS
EXTREME !!**

