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[Racing Royalty: July's Must-See Motorsport Events!](#)

From July 7-9, Formula 1 is at Silverstone's Maggotts-Becketts-Chapel complex. Known as the 'Home of British Motorsport', this was the first circuit to host a World Championship Grand Prix, back in 1950! Modern F1 cars hit 220 MPH on the straights. Fun fact: The fastest lap ever recorded at Silverstone (1:24.303) was set by British F1 driver Lewis Hamilton in 2020 - the "Hamilton Straight" is named after him! Can he secure another home Victory?

Our guess is *no..*



From July 11-14, a Festival of Speed takes over the Goodwood Estate. This year's theme, "Motorsport's



"Game Changers", will showcase revolutionary vehicles like Ayrton Senna's 1988 McLaren MP4/4 (one of F1's most dominant cars). Plus, witness hypercars such as the Aston Martin Valkyrie or the Rimac Nevera, which zooms from 0-60MPH in under 2 seconds! Or of course, the famous Goodwood Hill Climb race features a 1.16-mile course packed with challenging twists and turns.

Flying In To The Future!

The PAL-V Liberty, the world's first commercial flying car, received safety certifications from both the EASA and FAA in March, allowing it to operate on roads and in the air across Europe and the U.S. This groundbreaking vehicle transitions from a three-wheeled car to a gyrocopter in under 10 minutes, reaching airspeeds of up to 112 mph and a road speed of 100 mph (eat your heart out 007!). Meanwhile, the all-electric DeLorean EVolved was revealed at the New York International Auto Show. This modern take on the iconic DMC-12 boasts a 300-mile range, autonomous driving capabilities, an augmented reality dashboard, retains its iconic gull-wing doors, and takes you back to 1955 when you reach 88MPH* (*apparently this feature is only available in the film model..). Both vehicles promise to revolutionize personal transportation, turning sci-fi dreams into reality!



How Safe Is Your Car?

Well, if you're comparing it to other cars that's one thing, but how about comparing with air travel? A survey shows that between 2002 and 2020 there were 614 serious injuries involving air travel in the United States. That's 32 injuries a year, not necessarily fatalities. Nearly all of those were in small aircraft, hired at short notice (the kind only footballers and crooked politicians can really afford to use). For comparison there were 44 MILLION people killed or injured in cars in the same period, that's **2.3 million A YEAR!!**

Passenger injury rates per 100 million passenger miles, 2019



According to IATA (International Air Transport Association) there were NO losses or fatal air travel injuries on IOSA registered carriers in 2023. Clearly, if you want to feel better about car safety, you need to compare against motorcycles not an aeroplane!

That Pothole Is Too Small!



Don't bother reporting potholes unless they are at least 4cm deep is the message from 54 councils (6cm for at least another six). Buckinghamshire, Devon and eleven others won't consider repair unless they are also 30cm wide! It doesn't sound promising but this would definitely cover some of the car swallows found locally. The AA (a 'pothole partnership' lobby group member) believes a majority of drivers now consider potholes our most important road transport issue..

Tyres In Distress?

We will always provide a recommendation on your tyre wear as part of a service or MOT but you should keep

an eye out between check-ups. It's very easy to check!

Stick a 20p piece into your tread grooves - if the outer band on the coin isn't visible then that tread is above the legal limit!



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Whilst you are there, why not check for other problems, like these three examples spotted recently at Elm Tree

... Thank you potholes!



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