

## Frequently Asked Questions

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EVERYTHING YOU EVER WANTED TO KNOW,BUT WERE AFRAID TO ASK.....

1/ Was it a 4 door? Yes, every Vauxhall victor was 4 door apart from a one off coupe built in 1967.

2/ Does it run nitrous? No, not with the turbos. I used to run nitrous before the turbos...

3/ Does it run slicks? No, it runs DOT MT 315 drag radials or BFG 345 drag radials depending on what class i'm running in.....

4/ How much horsepower has it got? 2100hp at 25lbs of boost. Lots more in 2008.....

5/ What's the top speed? Now there's a question... if i work out the weight and the HP of the car then 300mph is possible, until you consider..... the age and shape of the body, 2 speed transmission etc. I built it to go fast at the drag strip and drive on the street. If i wanted to run at Bonneville then a 6 speed trans with a modern body would be the order of the day. Whatever anyone says about the Bugatti NO-ONE can accelerate for 5 miles to get up to 253mph on the street, because either the driver or some innocent bystander would get killed!!! Fast acceleration is where it's at... and in the pump gas league this car is numero uno....

6/ Do you have to check the engine every time you use the car? No. Unfortunately 5th gear got their wires crossed when they asked me to film for the programme within 2 days. I said i needed to check the car over as we'd done a few race meetings prior to the filming. They took this as i check it every time i use it.....

7/ How much does it cost to insure a car like that? Currently it costs me £875 per year for fully comprehensive cover with an agreed value with Competition Car Insurance in the UK.

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8/ That's not fast, surely my Honda/Corsa/Saxo could beat it? Consider this.... if you had a really fast car, say a McLaren F1, and you were in the other lane from redvictor at Santa Pod. If we launched at exactly the same time you would just be coming up to the 1/8 mile (201 metres) as I was braking having finished the 1/4 mile (402 metres). In your Honda/Corsa/Saxo etc you would be just coming up to the 330ft (100 metre) mark after I'd gone through the 1/4 mile.....staggering but true....

9/ How many miles to the gallon does it get? As if I built it to be frugal...lol Now it has been mapped it gets approx 10 miles to the gallon with very light cruising throttle. At the race track if we drive from the pits for the run, do a burnout, a run, and then back to the pits it'll use 3/4 of a gallon. That is with 3000cc (300lbs) of injector per cylinder.

10/ No way would it be legal to drive in my country.... Oh yes it would! I could export the car anywhere in the world and drive it myself. Also because it's a pre 1973 car it's emissions exempt everywhere...even in California. Unfortunately most of you aren't lucky enough to live in the UK and have draconian laws in your country of residence. Maybe you should do something about that?

11/ No way does it run street tyres and pump gas..... Yes it does, always. I usually use Shell V power but I've been known to use BP ultimate too. Tyres are Mickey Thompson 315 ET street drag radials. A track day tyre that is road legal...

12/ It'll be rubbish around the "ring"

What a surprise. Do you not think that if I wanted to build a car to be fast around the Nurburgring I would do it?

Listen up everyone who reads this page.

I do NOT want to do drift or circuit race. I want to drive on the street, at the posted speed limits, and drag race, that is it. Nothing else....

Hence RV3 being built for that purpose. Next time you see someone on a forum saying "that'll be crap. rubbish around some circuit, direct them to this answer..

Have you got a question that you'd like to pose to Frosty about the car? Use our contact us page to pose a question, if it's a good one, we may post it on this page.

More later....