

SNAKES IN SRI LANKA

COBRA REPLICA ENTHUSIASTS wanting a closer look at the interesting new BMW-based Python haven't got much longer to wait. Following the recent completion of a new factory in Sri Lanka, a body/chassis kit production line is currently being organised while the prototype car nears completion. The car, and the first new kits, are

expected to be shipped back to Britain early in October, allowing time for final finishing and the SVA test prior to an appearance at the Exeter kit car show in November.

Expected back alongside the first Python is a revised, Skoda-based Bugrat which could also appear at Exeter. Assuming sales materialise, container-fuls of Python and Bugrat kits will regularly be shipped over from Sri Lanka to be sold and assembled at the company's UK base in Essex. Also figuring will be a third model, the mid-engined Nemesis supercar, while plans are also afoot for at least two further models in 2003.

RV Dynamics is the company behind this ambitious international development. Next month should see more news, so watch this space!



FACTORY OPEN DAYS

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR when kit car manufacturers throw open their doors to interested potential buyers. You'll always find factory demonstrators and existing customers' cars to examine. Listed here are all the kit car factory open days we know about. Companies which are not included can contact us to have details of their events included.

TIGER RACING

Sunday 22nd September
Further details: 01733 271131

JBA CARS

Sunday 6th October
Further details: 01257 424549

RAW ENGINEERING

Saturday 24th August
Further details: 01981 251875

VINTAGE MOTOR CO

Sat/Sun 28th/29th September
Further details: 01302 727117

VINDICATOR CARS

Saturday 5th October
Further details: 07703 289833 (road show)

MARLIN CARS

Saturday 12th October
Further details: 01363 773772

GTM CARS

Saturday 19th October
Further details: 01509 852646

KIT SNIPS...

● **Coram LMP Delayed:** Coram Automotive, which was to launch its new LMP track day machine at Donington, has had to delay the launch due to a conflict of schedules with a major supplier. The car will now debut at the Autosport Show at the NEC in January.

● **Ginetta G27 Bows Out:** As we exclusively reveal in our feature elsewhere in this issue, Ginetta is to end production of the G27 to make way for the G33 early next year. For more details, check out the full feature starting on page 58.



● **Westie TV Star:** Following a series of shows including *A Car Is Born* and *A Plane Is Born*, TV presenter Mark Evans is building

a Westfield to race in a new series. The 15 episodes will be shown back to back on Discovery Home and Leisure on 27th September, and separately in late September and early October.



● **Marlin's BMW Sportster:** As well as the Makaira (see elsewhere in *Newsline*) Marlin chose Donington to show the completed BMW-based Sportster. Powered by a BMW M3 engine, it shows how far the Sportster



can be taken. You can see it next at the firm's open day on October 12th. *Marlin* is on 01363 773772.

Portuguese Fishing Town:

Fisher Sportscars has added an agent in Portugal to its portfolio. To get in touch, contact *Jose Boucinha, Dom Carro, Veiculos E Pecas, LDA, Rua de S Marcal, 53-57, 1200-419 Lisboa, Portugal. E-mail: joseboucinha@domcarro.pt*

Dax Web Overhaul:

DJ Sportscars has revamped its website, as well as setting up a separate website for second-hand kit car ads. You'll find the main site at www.daxcars.co.uk while the latter is designated www.daxcars.com



● **GTM Opens Up:** GTM is expecting as many as 70 cars to



turn up to its open day on Saturday 19th October. Additionally, its own demonstrators will be available for test drives throughout the day. The factory's pleasant rural surroundings make it ideal for planning a day out. Contact *GTM* on 01509 852646.

New Vindi Build Team:

Vindicator Cars has recruited a new build team. You can contact the firm at *RS Jigtec, Unit 3C, Command Works, off Forge Lane, Cradley Heath, West Midlands. Tel: 01384 636636.*

And The Winners Are:

Winners of the July issue's Competition Corner are Bernard Simpson of Heybridge, Essex, and GR Pegden of Bristol. Each wins a 500ml bottle of Renovo hood care products.

Which Kit? Extracts