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# This time

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Welcome to the luckiest issue we have ever produced. Yes we've got James Nesbitt on the cover, plus he's got that bracelet on so that means everything is going to go brilliantly from now on. That's the way it works, doesn't it?

Well, if you saw the first series of the brilliant, Stan Lee's Lucky Man, you know that it is more complicated than that. Now the new series is here we find out much more how the bracelet works. For some of us, we also spend the episodes looking at that lovely E28 BMW 5 Series. So huge thanks to Carnival Films for supplying us with behind the scenes images that you won't see anywhere else.

As well as the old school 5 Series we have the new one in Touring form, plus we found some really groovy pictures of some old ones.

There are a lot more features and a doubling up of News, Events, Celebs, Buy Now and more telly and film news than ever before. Thanks for letting us know what you like to see more of and if you have any comments on what you see, or if we have made any mistakes, then please let us know through the usual channels.

As well as all the regular nonsense we also have some news about a future Formula One Champion, we think. He's certainly got the talent and youth on his side. Maybe he will just get lucky.

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## MELISSA MC CARTHY IS A HERO

A breaching whale. A falling tree. A charging rhinoceros. These are just some of the extreme challenges Melissa McCarthy faces in Kia Motors' Super Bowl ad for the all-new 2017 Niro crossover. "For years, I've been trying to find the perfect project that combined the real threat of me breaking every bone in my body, with my desire to help save the environment. Thanks Kia!!! XOXO Love, Melissa," said McCarthy. Watch the advert on the Free Car Mag.com website



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## OLYMPIAN PIPPA FUNNELL JOINS SSANGYONG

Pippa Funnell MBE says, "I am delighted to become an ambassador for SsangYong which is a real thoroughbred in its field. Competing in the world of eventing requires early starts and long days." Pippa will represent the brand at all the major equestrian events she attends during 2017, and will drive a four-wheel-drive SsangYong Rexton which with its 3-tonne towing capacity can easily tow a large horse trailer complete with two eventers. In 2003 Pippa Funnell became the first person to win the Rolex Grand Slam of Eventing (consecutive wins at Kentucky, Badminton & Burghley). She also won Badminton in 2002 and 2005, and at the European Championships she's won two Individual golds (1999-2001) and three team golds (1999-2003).



## ARSENAL CAUGHT ON CAMERA BY CITROËN C3

Arsenal players Granit Xhaka, Alex Oxlade-Chamberlain, Hector Bellerin and Shkodran Mustafi have been caught on ConnectedCAM Citroën™ in a 'nutmeg' challenge against Lisa Zimouche, the 2014 World Female Panna Champion. Panna involves a one-on-one contest, in which participants attempt to nutmeg their opponent and retrieve the ball on the other side. It requires skill, technique and patience. Lisa Zimouche is one of the youngest football freestylers in the world, having been named Female Panna World Champion at the age of 15. With over 600,000 followers on Instagram alone. To watch the Lisa Zimouche challenge the Arsenal players, <http://www.freecarmag.com/new-citroen-c3-captures-arsenal-players-taking-on-lisa-zimouche>



## WHAT MAKES JOSÉ MOURINHO TICK?

José Mourinho stars in a new Jaguar film, celebrating the successful partnership between the two iconic brands. Taking to the streets of Manchester in the Jaguar XJ, Mourinho reveals what it takes to be 'special'. Mourinho said: "Jaguar for me represents passion and performance. It's one thing to play for a club, or to coach a club, another is to play or to coach with passion, and feel the passion, and I think Jaguar's cars are also like this. You feel the passion that they invest into their cars...I have got the biggest job in the country, one of the biggest jobs in the world, and a job that I can imagine everyone in the world would like to have, but it's a difficult one."

Watch the film at the Free Car Mag. com website now <http://www.freecarmag.com/jaguar-explores-what-makes-jose-mourinho-tick>



## AUDI AT THE BERLINALE

Oscar nominated Stanley Tucci (left) arrives for the 'Final Portrait' premiere, a film he has directed) during the 67th Berlinale International Film Festival Berlin at Berlinale Palace and is joined by stars of the film, Arnie Hammer and Oscar Winner Geoffrey Rush. The story of concerns the Swiss painter and sculptor Alberto Giacometti. (Photos by Franziska Krug/Getty Images for Audi).



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## MAGGIE GYLLENHAAL

Attends the the Django premiere. Member of the International Jury, US actress Gyllenhaal, and is wearing Gucci. Even so, we thought it was worth trying to get her fabulous look.

(Photo by Franziska Krug/Getty Images for Audi)

## STEVE COOGAN

Arrives at the 'The Dinner' premiere. The Dinner is an American drama thriller film directed and written by Oren Moverman, based on the Dutch novel of same name by Herman Koch. The film stars Richard Gere, Steve Coogan, and Laura Linney. be there. (Photo by Franziska Krug/Getty Images for Audi)



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### ANJELA NEDYALKOVA

Arrives at the 'T2 Trainspotting' premiere in an Audi A8 and a simply wonderful dress. (Photos by Franziska Krug/Getty Images for Audi).

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# *Luck of the Irish*

James Nesbitt is back as DI Harry Clayton in the second series of Stan Lee's Lucky Man. He tells us just how lucky he feels.



## Stan Lee's Lucky Man returns to Sky 1 and NOW TV from Friday 24th Feb at 9pm

**S**eries one of Stan Lee's Lucky Man introduced London-based murder detective DI Harry Clayton (James Nesbitt), who after a chance meeting with the mysterious Eve (Sienna Guillory), is given an ancient bracelet that seems to bestow upon the wearer the ability to control luck. But Harry receives the warning that with every piece of good luck, there is misfortune waiting around the corner. Joining series two is Dutch actress Thekla Reuten (Hidden, Restless, The American, In Bruges) as Isabella, a mysterious temptress who has more than a passing interest in DI Harry Clayton and the ancient bracelet that appears to bestow him with good fortune.

### WHO IS DI HARRY CLAYTON?

DI Harry Clayton is a cop working for the London police force. He is a father, a husband, a gambling addict; he is someone who is on the right side of the law but often skates on very thin ice when it comes to his methods of achieving his goals.

As a result of his gambling addiction, he has lost his wife and their house, so he is separated, isolated and a flawed character, but ultimately trying to do good.

### HOW HAS HARRY GROWN FROM SERIES TO SERIES?

A lot happened at the end of series one with the use of the bracelet almost costing him the lives of his wife and daughter. When we meet Harry in series two, even though he can't get rid of the bracelet, he's trying to walk the right path and not use it. What he has been told in the past by Eve is that for every piece of good luck that comes his way, bad luck can befall someone close to him. Harry is on his own but he is trying to be a good father and separated husband, and he is trying to live to the letter of the law by not using the bracelet.

### HAS HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH ANNA AND DAISY CHANGED?

Although Anna (Eve Best) loves Harry deeply and he loves her in return, Anna believes that they cannot get back together. Every time they get close, Harry seems to do something that pushes her away. Anna has her own life to get on with but Harry is ever-present. As the

series progresses his daughter Daisy (played by Leilah De Meza), begins to think that maybe there is something magical about her father and the bracelet that he wears. Their family unit is a complicated and painful story but it is underpinned with love.

### HARRY AND SURI'S RELATIONSHIP TOOK A BIT OF A BEATING IN SERIES ONE. HOW WOULD YOU DESCRIBE HARRY'S RELATIONSHIP WITH HER IN SERIES TWO? IS THERE STILL TRUST THERE?

The relationship between Harry and Suri (played by Amara Karan) is a complex one. He taught her everything she knows and she looks up to him. She is in a funny way his yin to her yang. Harry being the maverick, occasionally doing whatever it takes to bring the criminal to justice, bristles against Suri's by the book attitude. As you will see in series two, this sometimes creates a wedge between them.

### DOES HARRY TREAT THE BRACELET ANY DIFFERENTLY IN SERIES TWO?

Harry is trying to get on with his life, the bracelet is there but it is sort of in the background, it's ever present but he is trying not to use it. In episode one of this series he encounters the extraordinary Isabella, she herself has a similar bracelet and this throws Harry into a spiral of uncertainty and doubt. Everything he knew of the bracelet now seems untrue, thinking that he was the only one with this unusual power. Isabella tries to get Harry to see the bracelet in a different light, to see its potential. That is why I think this series is exciting with the notion of good and evil and the arrival of Isabella throwing Harry into a spin. He has to work out who she is and if she is a force for good. All that, adding into the mix the notion of this superpower, series two seems even more aligned to Stan Lee's original vision of the mystery surrounding luck.

### WHAT IS ISABELLA TO HARRY? CAN SHE BE TRUSTED?

The character of Isabella is a very exciting addition to the series. To Harry she is very attractive and alluring; she lives life in the moment, but has had her own share of pain

which Harry can identify with. There is this notion that together they can achieve great things, but as the series develops we begin to see glimpses of Isabella's real character that will prove an issue for Harry. So that journey and relationship is new for series two and becomes one of the most important relationships of the Lucky Man series. business. It made me laugh, which was a good thing, because the fashion world isn't always funny."

### LUCKY MAN IS A LONDON-CENTRIC SHOW, WHAT HAVE BEEN YOUR FAVOURITE LOCATIONS ON THIS SERIES TO FILM?

One of the most defining things about Lucky Man, more than any other show, is that it features London in a way that it has never really been seen before. The access we have had to some of the most iconic locations in London is second to none. In the first series you have Harry in a speedboat going through the Thames Barrier at three o'clock in the morning, we filmed at the foot of Tower Bridge, inside the British Museum, the Tate Gallery and all over the capital. In this series it gets even better. We shot car chases in Canary Wharf, scenes by the fountains at Somerset House and managed to shoot at rush hour in Piccadilly Circus by the Statue of Eros for an incredibly important moment. Another wonderful experience was shooting at the National Gallery. We had private access and it was extraordinary to film a scene with Thekla, surrounded by great works of art all around us. It really is part of the fabric of the show that gives it a feel that you are involved in something really exciting and innovative, something very special.

### WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE THE AUDIENCE TO TAKE AWAY AFTER WATCHING AN EPISODE OF LUCKY MAN?

I think what an audience will take away with them is a high-octane sense of adventure, danger, intrigue and mystery with stunts and car chases but also seeing real relationships unfold. I think it is a real cocktail of all those things. I hope that by the time you reach the end of the series you will be left quite breathless.

## Stan Lee's Lucky Man



## DI Clayton Drives a BMW 520i Here's how it was prepared for action





# 5 STAR

Why the BMW 5 Series is the cleverest, coolest and very best range of saloons, estates and performance cars ever invented. Here is a very superficial history.

In the beginning, well 1972 anyway, BMW produced re-joined a car that is refined, spacious, sporty, practical and classy. The original 5 Series was codenamed the E12 and that's how the fans identify refer to that model. Most importantly it set the style for an upmarket middle sized executive car that every other manufacturer has since copied.

Not only that, with original 5 BMW proved how far they could develop exciting performance variants, hence the first M Series in the shape of the M535i.

The next model in 1981 was the E28, which was remarkably similar to the original because new BMWs were

evolutionary not revolutionary. The M5 though truly was, a real supercar wrapped up in a four door saloon.

The E34 in 1988 was a lot more of the same. It was made available as a V8 M5 and also as an estate car, the Touring.

For 1996 it was time for the E39 which many regard as the finest 5 Series of all. More M Series and Tourings and probably the finest real world executive car.

Fifth generation 5 Series in 2003 had controversial styling and more complicated engineering it was a bestseller.

From 2010 tin came the F10/F11/F07 model and the odd Gran Turismo.

**M Cars, the M1 in red, and the E28 and E34 M5s**



**BMW E28 528i outside the company head office**



## 5 Series in Pictures

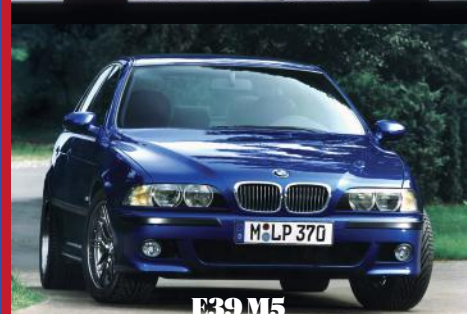
**An E12 somewhere in Bavaria**



**An E28 in the Alps, probably**



**E34 M5 looking very mean**



**E39 M5**



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That leaves you with plenty of time. It Four engines will be available from one, while the BMW xDrive intelligent all-wheel-drive system will be fitted in two models. Additional rear-wheel drive and all-wheel drive models will join the line-up later.

Perhaps one of the most important aspects of the new 5 Series is that it weighs less. An intelligent multi-material mix to combine weight reductions with significant improvements in torsional rigidity and passive safety.

The proportion of high-tensile steel and aluminium has been increased. The bonnet, front side panels, doors, roof and tailgate are now all aluminium. Replacing steel with aluminium has made the tailgate alone around 4.5kg lighter than on the outgoing model.



# Augmented Reality

BMW i will soon bring 3-D car shopping to your mobile

**T**he BMW i is the first automotive brand to use Tango to provide customers with this interactive experience.

"BMW i is the spearhead of innovation at the BMW Group, so it's clearly a good fit for the pilot of this new customer and retail tool," explained Stefan Biermann, BMW Group Head of Innovations Sales, BMW i. The BMW i Visualiser App is the latest innovation in the BMW Group's Future Retail programme, which began rolling out around three years ago and which has transformed the customers' experience of buying a car. Many significant elements of Future Retail, such as the Product Genius or the Virtual Product Presenter, have set new benchmarks for the industry.

The BMW i Visualiser was designed and developed by Accenture, integrating BMW i picture data of the vehicles into an app which uses Tango technology. It offers customers a new and interactive way to experience the car, with functions that enable customers to open the door or

switch on the lights. In order to keep the user-experience as intuitive and simple as possible, the app is a visualiser instead of a full configurator, where features such as interior and exterior colours or wheel rims can be altered at a touch of the screen. Once the visualisation is complete, the customer can save the data and share it with others, including BMW i sales outlets, via social media, email or QR code.

Once the pilot is successfully completed, it is planned to offer the app on Google Play so that customers with Tango-enabled devices can download it for use any time, any place.



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## BEST EVER BMW QUOTES

**"Voting Tory will cause your wife to have bigger breasts and increase your chances of owning a BMW M3"**

Boris Johnson

**"I didn't get my first car until I was 22. It was a BMW 1602"**

Jay Kay from Jamiroquai bought it back and restored it.

**"Now if someone wants to spit on me, I just roll up the window on my BMW 540i."**

Henry Rollins, ex punk, on his rather more comfortable middle age.

**"You can stick a BMW badge on a dead cat and people would buy it."**

Richard Hammond, TV personality.

**"I don't really have any concept of how money works. I don't know how much things cost. Like a BMW. Or a quart of milk. It's embarrassing."**

Chloe Sevigny, actress.



# TOP 5 USED 5 SERIES

The BMW 5 Series is we believe, one of the best used cars you can buy. Here is our selection of some of the best models from the last few years, plus the odd classic. Once you have bought your 5 Series, if it is a recent one then don't forget to get in touch with motoreasy about some proper warranty cover. You will need it.



**5 SERIES 1996 - 2003**

Here is the legendary E39 model, which is the last of the truly fixable models that can be run on a modest budget. The petrol models in particular can rack up huge mileages. Service history is absolutely crucial. The diesels are tough and surprisingly economical.



**5 SERIES TOURING**

The Touring is not the largest estate you can buy, but it is the most stylish. A very high quality finish, when buying used it is best to avoid anything that is remotely scruffy. You don't need to, unless you are paying not very much. Fixing the interior trim or bodywork is costly.



**5 SERIES 2002 - 2010**

These are quite sophisticated models. It is important to check for oil leaks, the DPF filters on the diesel models, through the iDrive system. Avoid runflat tyres which are costly to live with. Automatic gearboxes must change smoothly. Water leaks into the boot can be an issue.



**5 SERIES 2010 - 2016**

For the business buyer the 520d is the best all round example when it comes to economy. There is no set service period, but typically you will need to take it to the garage at around 15,000 miles. It is the minor things like the headlamps and alloy wheels that are pricey to fix.



**GRAN TURISMO**

The hatchback 5 Series is still relatively expensive to buy. Find one with a full service history and get it checked. The water pump has been known to fail and it can cause engine damage. Ideally buy the highest specification you can, and the 535d Luxury is the best all rounder.

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The C-HR range is all about choice. As well as the 1.8-litre hybrid, Toyota is offering a 1.2-litre turbocharged petrol model, with a choice of six-speed manual or CVT automatic transmission. The 1.2 CVT is also offered with the option of all-wheel drive.

The line-up offers three equipment grades: Icon, Excel and Dynamic, full details from your dealer. Meanwhile, the All Toyota Safety Sense includes a Pre-Collision System with autonomous emergency braking, Lane Departure Warning, Traffic Sign Recognition and Automatic High Beam headlight operation. Cool, frugal and safe, that's the perfect combination.





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## SUBARU BRZ

The BRZ's Boxer (flat) engine, now has stronger cylinder blocks. The valve stems have been buffed and polished, the camshaft is lower friction and the weight of the rocker arms has been reduced which adds up to a more responsive, fuel efficient engine.

Underneath the suspension dampers have been redesigned to reduce body roll, increase precision whilst cornering, as well as damping vibration, so it is more comfy, but still sharply sporty.

The new TRACK mode enhances the stability of the car and allows for more refined accelerator inputs when driving on race circuits and consolidates the previous 5 VDC modes into 4. For the urban drivers, there is a new type of Hill Start Assist (HSA) to help with uphill starts or downhill reversing.

On the safety front, there is also a next-generation advanced airbag system which uses upgraded sensors for a greater level of safety.

Free Car Mag wants one.





The SUV EV from another planet gets techier



AVAILABLE:  
NOW  
PRICE:  
£34,749

## MITSUBISHI OUTLANDER PHEV

There are a host of revisions with new dampers and rear suspension bushes, making it a quieter and more refined. The Outlander PHEV offers an ultra-smooth driving experience, with a 2.0-litre petrol engine and a seamless transition between three driving modes (EV, series hybrid, parallel hybrid), Rapid charging has also been improved, reducing its charging time to 80% from 30 minutes to approximately 25 minutes, and its pure electric range is increased to 33 miles, up from 32 miles. The Outlander is safer with Forward Collision Mitigation technology, standard on the Mitsubishi Outlander 4hs and 5hs versions, now features Pedestrian Detection for added safety, plus Blind Spot Warning and Rear Cross Traffic Alert.

AVAILABLE:  
NOW  
PRICE:  
£130 SAVINGS

CO2 and VED Savings thanks to clever 18" alloys



## NISSAN QASHQAI RANGE

Qashqai specified with 18" alloy wheels will now benefit from factory-fitted low resistance tyres delivering improved efficiency and reduced cost of ownership. The special tyre design means CO2 and fuel consumption figures now match those of the 17" alloy wheel size, saving £130 in VED payments on some models with lower BIK across the line-up. The update presents an enhanced offer for fleet and business users with all Qashqais equipped with 18" alloys gaining a 1% BIK improvement. On selected models this means BIK is as low as 19%, with combined fuel economy of up to 74.3mpg.



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# MADE IN BRITAIN

Well Swindon to be precise and we should all be very proud of the fact that it is the world centre of production for the 10th generation Honda Civic. So with prices and specifications just announced, now is the time to order one from your local Honda dealer and do your bit for Blighty.





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**Nissan Micra**

# FABRIQUÉ EN FRANCE

So the all-new Micra comes from France, plus the driving school and first car favourite is back with a high tech bang.

**N**ow in its fifth generation, this new model is a massive progression from the one it is replacing, and from the trio of highly successful superminis which date back to the Micra's debut in Europe in 1983.

The infotainment system, located high up in the centre of the dashboard. NissanConnect is the name given to the most advanced of these. It is standard on Tekna and N-Connecta grades, and optional on Acenta. The standard infotainment system on Acenta is called Display Audio, while Visia+ and Visia get the entry level system (optional on Visia).



NissanConnect offers a 7-inch full-colour multi-touch display, DAB digital radio, satellite navigation and smartphone-style apps.

Price: from £11,995  
Visia £14,195  
Visia+ £13,795  
Acenta £14,995  
N-Connecta £15,995  
TEKNA £17,295



Micra has five grades of Visia, Visia+, Acenta, N-Connecta and Tekna.

The car is available with three downsized engines – two petrol and one diesel – all linked to a five-speed manual gearbox.



Thanks to outstanding packaging, the five-door-only body shell boasts best-in-class ergonomics for front seat occupants, with no compromise to rear passenger space.



Safety+ Pack adds Intelligent Lane Intervention, Intelligent Emergency Braking with Pedestrian Recognition, Traffic Sign Recognition and High Beam Assist

## Car Choice

Bill Aston covers huge mileages and wants a used estate car which is big and reliable, he will spend £10,000.



## TOUGH ESTATE CAR



### A CAR FOR THE HEAD FORD MONDEO ESTATE

A Ford Mondeo certainly ticks all of Bill's boxes. It is a very large vehicle and they prove to be very dependable. We were contacted by a reader recently who had just racked up 300,000 miles in a 2010 example. There is no reason to question that choice, it is just a question of finding the right specification. Ideally Bill should go for the best equipped model and that would be the Titanium. £9500 buys an economical, (53 mpg) 2012 2.0 TDCI Titanium with 40K miles and a full service history from a Ford dealer.



### A CAR FOR THE HEART VOLKSWAGEN PASSAT ESTATE

Another estate car we have often seen with large mileages is the Volkswagen Passat. Here is another tough, large and practical vehicle, which as an estate seems to make much more sense than the saloon, even though it has a very big boot. To save more on running costs there is a 1.6 TDI Bluetooth model which is in Tax Band C and currently costs £30 a year. Yes it is a Volkswagen, but the emissions are low and returns 64mpg. A 2013 Tech S model with 47,000 miles from a dealer would be the perfect buy.

## HATCHBACK

FREE CAR MAG  
CAN ANSWER  
YOUR CAR  
CHOICE  
QUESTION



Jemima Blair owns a 2010 MINI Cooper, however, her family is growing and Jamini's second child. She needs more seats.



### A CAR FOR THE HEAD AUDI A3 SPORTBACK

It seems a bit ambitious to go from a relatively small two-door car to a full-blown people carrier, but children do come with an awful lot of baggage. Luckily the MINI has grown up along with many of its original buyers. We will though come on to that. The quick family fix that is not boring, would be an Audi A3 Sportback. It isn't huge and I know that Jemima does not want anything unweildy to cramp her urban lifestyle. A 2012 1.6 TDi SE Sportback is £12,000 with 36,000 miles on the clock.

### A CAR FOR THE HEART MINI COUNTRYMAN

So back to the grown up MINI. Jemima loves her Cooper and does not want to give up the sportiness and style that she has always enjoyed. The MINI has grown-up to become the Countryman a proper four door hatch. With around £12,000 to spend she can get a 1.6 Cooper All4 version. I came across a 2013 example with just 13,000 miles and an automatic transmission that would make life a lot easier. It is a four wheel drive, which should make it safer when she visits relatives in Europe during winter. It cost £12,000.

IN SELECTED  
CINEMAS FOR A  
SHORT PERIOD

THE ICONIC FILM IS BACK

# TAXI DRIVER

Sony Pictures' *Taxi Driver* is pulling up at cinemas across the UK and Ireland for a reissue on 10 February, opening at BFI Southbank where it will feature as one of the highlights of their Martin Scorsese season.

This reissue will see the film screen at selected sites from a 4K digital restoration scanned from the original camera negative.

If you don't know the story, here it is... Robert De Niro punches in for another shift as Travis Bickle, the insomniac Vietnam veteran struggling to navigate New York's streets of vice in Martin Scorsese's searing, seething state of the nation address. Fearlessly exploring fraught urban and psychological landscapes through Paul Schrader's pitch black script, Michael Chapman's expressive nocturnal cinematography and Bernard Herrmann's memorable, menacing score, *Taxi Driver* possesses a still-striking modernity that marks it out as one of American cinema's greatest achievements.

Oh yes and there are truly wonderful Checker cabs that you no longer see in New York and all sorts of period Chevys, Fords and Cadillacs. Almost forgot, *Free Car Mag*' 70s crush Cybill Shepherd is there and a dangerously young Jodie Foster.





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IT IS A RETURN  
TO SKY ATLANTIC  
FOR THE TRULY  
TERRIFYING  
SERIES

## FORTITUDE

In 1942, a monstrous figure wreaks havoc just 60 miles north of Fortitude as a blood aurora burns in the sky. This same phenomenon flickers above present day Fortitude as the remote Arctic town struggles to find a sense of normality.

According to the director Kieron Hawkes from episode 4 onwards, "If you liked season one, which so many people did, this capitalises on all the things that were successful about it and takes them even further. There's hopefully a warmth in some of the characters which you really, really invest in, and I don't think it's going to let anyone down who's into it for the violence and horror. It gets faster and more pacy and more exciting as it goes on. It's great".



**Fortitude season  
two starts on Sky  
Atlantic and  
online streaming  
service NOW TV.**



Season two introduces some new faces, with Dennis Quaid and Michelle Fairley among several big additions to the cast. Quaid plays Michael Lennox, a fisherman in search of a lucrative King Crab catch to bring in some desperately needed money for him and his ailing wife Freya (Fairley). Free Car Mag's attention is always grabbed by the Subaru police car and a lovely Jeep Wagoneer.



ELEMENTARY  
WATCH IT ON  
PICK MONDAYS  
AT 10PM



SUPER CLEVER CRIME SERIES

# ELEMENTARY

**Sherlock Holmes and Doctor Watson, (who is a surgeon and therefore a Mrs., and is also a lady) in 21st Century New York? Yes it is brilliant and you will find it on Pick Mondays at 10pm**

Sherlock, but not as you know it as Jonny Lee Miller and Lucy Liu take on the roles of the famous detective and his straight-talking sidekick in a slick US-set reboot of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's illustrious crime fighter. If like us you find the Cumberbatch Sherlock, rather too complicated and up itself, here is a proper crime solving show that does not insult your intelligence or try and baffle you into boredom.

While Miller brings his natural charisma to a modern Sherlock, Liu is Watson with a twist: a professional sober companion whose job it is to keep Holmes on the straight and narrow. An impossible and infinitely watchable task, and one which has made Elementary a ratings success.

As the show begins on Pick, Sherlock and Watson meet for the first time as the unconventional detective takes on the case of a home invasion that turned to murder.





AVAILABLE  
SKY CINEMA ON  
DEMAND AND  
SKY CINEMA  
PREMIER

## BAD NEIGHBOURS 2

Nicholas Stoller's fast-paced comedy sequel sees Seth Rogen and Rose Byrne gear up for another round of chaotic campus warfare. They reprise their roles as Mac and Kelly Radner, the happily married thirtysomethings who previously fought off Zac Efron's frat king and are now looking to sell up and move to the country. Get through a 30-day escrow period and they're golden... but of course life is never that simple. Fly is swiftly introduced to ointment in the form of Kappa Kappa Nu, a hard-partying sorority led by headstrong freshman Chloë Grace Moretz and mentored by a gleefully vengeful Efron.



## BLACKLIST

The hit US show finds a new home on Sky 1 from this week as season four returns with a tense post-hiatus premiere. 9.00pm Sky 1 & NOW TV. As another member of Red's team is targeted, the task force races to stop the sophisticated criminal who has been attacking Red and his businesses. Meanwhile, a shocking event sends Tom on the hunt for information about his past.

AVAILABLE:  
TO WATCH NOW  
SKY 1 & NOW TV

LOGAN IS IN  
CINEMAS FROM  
MARCH 3RD  
STARRING HUGH  
JACKMAN



SUPERHERO WOLVERINE RETURNS

# LOGAN

In 2024 the mutant population has shrunk significantly and the X-Men have disbanded. Logan, whose power to self-heal is dwindling, has surrendered himself to alcohol and now earns a living as a chauffeur. He takes care of the ailing old Professor X whom he keeps hidden away. One day, a female stranger asks Logan to drive a girl named Laura to the Canadian border. At first he refuses, but the Professor has been waiting for a long time for her to appear. Laura possesses an extraordinary fighting prowess and is in many ways like Wolverine. She is pursued by sinister figures working for a powerful corporation; this is because her DNA contains the secret that connects her to Logan. A relentless pursuit begins - In this third cinematic outing featuring the Marvel comic book character Wolverine we see the superheroes beset by everyday problems. They are ageing, ailing and struggling to survive financially. A decrepit Logan is forced to ask himself if he can or even wants to put his remaining powers to good use. It would appear that in the near-future, the times in which they were able put the world to rights with razor sharp claws and telepathic powers are now over. .





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## BLOOD FATHER

Gun-toting thugs chase down the wrong man's daughter in this gritty action thriller. Mel Gibson stars as John Link, an ex-con and recovering alcoholic attempting to keep a lid on his demons and live the quiet life out in the California desert. Sticking to the plan becomes a little tricky when – all of a sudden – his estranged teenage daughter Lydia (Erin Moriarty, *Captain Fantastic*) pitches up with a loaded gun and a purse stuffed with booze and drugs. To make matters considerably worse, the revenge-seeking cronies of her cartel member ex (*Rogue One*'s Diego Luna,) are already closing in. Kids, eh? **Available Sky Store.**



AVAILABLE:  
TO WATCH ON  
CHANNEL 4 ON  
SATURDAY MORNING  
& LATER ON ALL 4

## BRITISH RALLY CHAMPTIONSHIP

Channel 4 will show a 30-minute highlights programme on the Saturday morning after each round next season, with a repeat broadcast the following week. The action will also be available to view on Channel 4's online catch-up service, All 4, shortly afterwards.

The seven-round series will once more cover the length and breadth of the British Isles in 2017, with rallies in England, Northern Ireland, Scotland, Wales and the Isle of Man as well as the exciting inclusion of the Ypres Rally in Belgium, the first overseas event in British Rally Championship history.

# YOUNG GIFTED AND ON TRACK

Remember where you read it first, Free Car Mag are suggesting that there is a future Formula One star right here, right now.



Callum Hlott, an 18 year old from Bishops Cleeve is aiming to add his name to the pantheon of F1 winners, despite only having raced a car once in this country.

Callum's approach was unconventional from the start; there was no father-to-son hereditary motorsport gene like Verstappen or Rosberg but his Dad was nonetheless the catalyst. "Dad used to take the train to London every day," says Callum. "He'd spotted a local kart track and thought I'd like it. I was nearly seven and I loved it."

Enthusiasm and undoubted talent smoothed the steep learning curve and but before he turned into a teenager, Callum was winning titles. "We competed mainly in Europe," adds Callum. "It's a different route but it hasn't held me back. Sometimes it's good to not to follow the pack."

He may have been driving under the UK motorsports radar but Red Bull

had its eye on him, plucking Callum from karting to race in European F3. It was a big jump and there was pressure to perform but Callum finished every race and even got a podium. Surprisingly, that wasn't enough for Red Bull to keep him but a refreshed and more relaxed Callum bounced back in 2016, scooping a pair of wins and a string of podiums.

For 2017 Callum has been signed by PREMA, the Italian superteam that has been champions for the past six years. Last season's victor, Lance Stroll is now at Williams so can Callum do the same? "F1 is still my goal but it requires funding or manufacturer support. 2017 is about making either of those happen."

You can watch Callum and the FIA F3 European Championship at Silverstone on the 15th/16th April.



## YOUR CHANCE TO BE ON TELLY WITH RACER REBECCA JACKSON



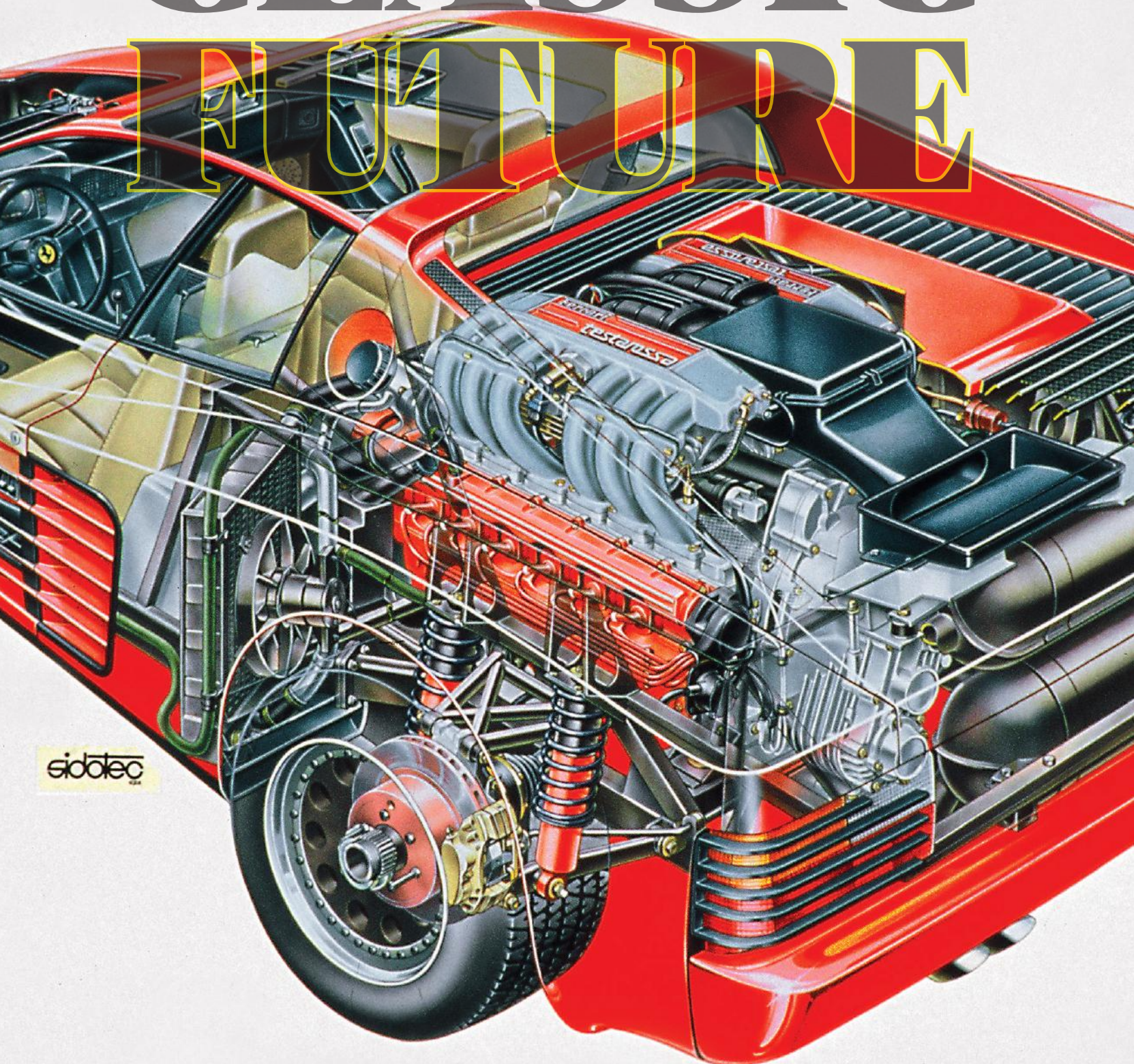
Racing driver, TV presenter and motoring journalist Rebecca Jackson will be starring in a new car show to be aired on CBBC later this year. Working alongside YouTube megastar Ali-A (AKA Alastair Aiken) and supercar vlogger Lord Aleem, Jackson has been signed to appear in the new ten-part series aimed at helping families upgrade their old banger into the car of their dreams.

Once the new-look car has passed its MOT, the souped-up motor is revealed to Mum and Dad. But will they like it?

"I can't wait to start filming Ali-A's Superchargers for CBBC. It's a great show and a fun way to teach children about cars and involve them in vehicle safety," says Jackson. "We will be crossing our fingers each episode that the parents like the results!"

The producers of the show are currently looking for plucky young volunteers between the ages of 9 and 14 to take part. <http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/joinin>

# CLASSIC IN FUTURE



sidotec

Ferrari has upgraded its Apprenticeship programme for school-leavers aged 16-19 with a new training module focused on Classic Car Technology,



In this digital world of apps and smartphones, where you can pay for a coffee with your phone, and unlock that phone with a fingerprint scan, most school-leavers have no understanding of what a ballast resistor ignition system, a down-draught 6-carb Webber, or a straight-cut dog-mesh gearbox is, or how they work. In fact, very few school-leavers have any experience of what gearboxes were like to use before flappy paddles became so fashionable or had no synchromesh.

So Ferrari has upgraded its Apprenticeship programme for school-leavers aged 16-19 to include:

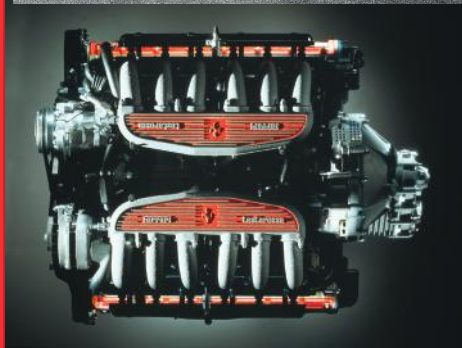
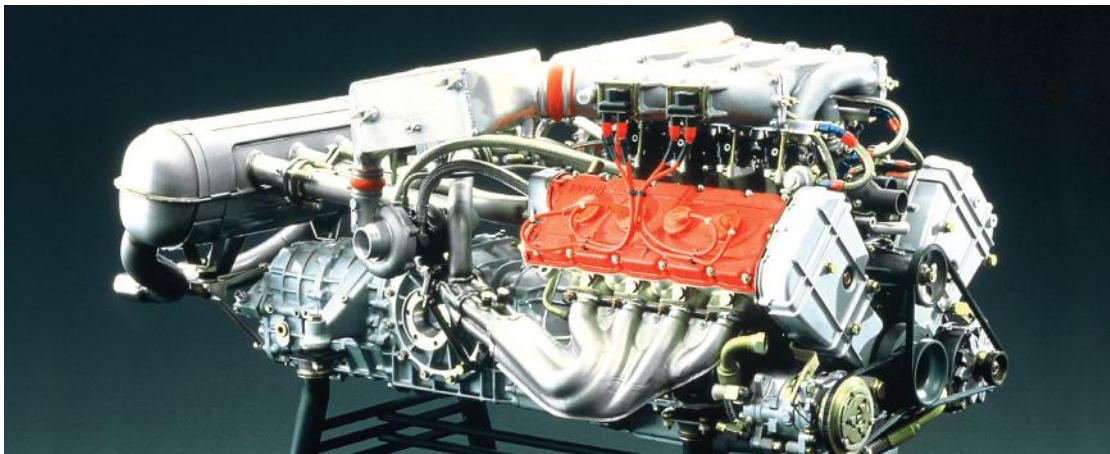
- Ballast resistor ignition systems,
- Magneto ignition system both single and twin.
- Dynamo charging systems,
- Twin points distributor set ups.
- Multiple Webber carburetor set ups, from 3 to 6 carbs.

· Mechanical fuel injection systems.  
Straight cut dog mesh gearboxes.  
Apprentices who are enrolling in the September 2017 intake can expect to complete these training modules in the 3rd Year of their Apprenticeship.

The Ferrari North Europe Apprentice programme is open to 16-19 year olds who are interested in working at an Official Ferrari Dealer in one of the following roles: **Service Technica Apprenticeship** – 3 years, **Service Advisor Apprenticeship** – 2 years, **Parts Advisor Apprenticeship** – 2 years, **Bodyshop Technician Apprenticeship** – 3 years.

Candidates wishing to apply for the September 2017 intake should check for the latest vacancies and register their interest via:

[www.ferrariapprenticeship.co.uk](http://www.ferrariapprenticeship.co.uk).



# Fuel Your Knowledge #iwantoknoweverything

## Is this your <sup>teen's</sup> dream job?

iwantobea, a new website for the Motor Industry, aims to provide parents with the answers to these questions for school-age children.

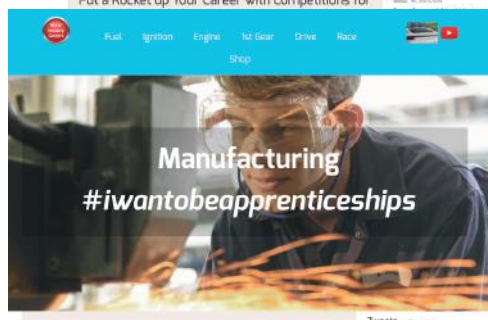
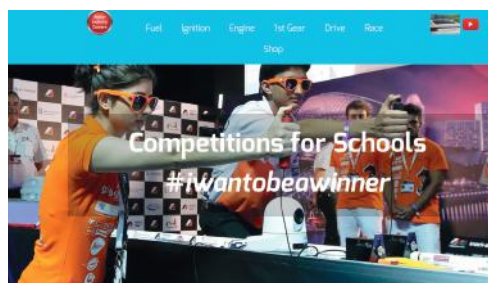
Every parent knows children change their minds every week about what they want to be when they grow up. One week they want to be a doctor, the next week a movie star, the week after a racing driver, and the next a lawyer. Trying to encourage a child's interest in a particular industry or career is a challenge every parent faces throughout the school-age years. As a parent, you want to encourage your child to follow their dreams, to live their life to their full potential, but you also want to steer them towards a career path that will be rewarding and secure..

iwantobea will help school-age children choose the right Secondary Education for their chosen career path. It will show where to find the Knowledge that will Fuel their Career. It will plot the best routes to Employment, either through an Apprenticeship or a University Degree. It will reveal the availability of Awards and Bursaries that will help turbocharge their Career. It will provide a comprehensive resource for candidates to directly contact automotive companies with employment opportunities targeted at young people.

iwantobea will provide Parents with the answer to their child's "iwantobea". iwantobea collates all of the industry and contact information a parent might need

into one place. With direct links to University Technical Colleges, car magazines, school competitions, apprenticeship programmes in both manufacturers and retail dealerships, University Degree courses for Automotive Design or Automotive Engineering, awards and bursaries from businesses such as the Williams F1 Future Engineering competition or the Autocar Next Generation Award, iwantobea provides parents with a one-stop shop for all the information they need to encourage a child who says iwantobea Car Designer, iwantobea Service Technician, iwantobea Engineering Technician, iwantobea MINI Genius...

iwantobea will be promoted through an innovative use of Instagram and Twitter, using @i\_wantobea to inspire children of all ages to follow their dreams and to learn how to find a job in the Motor Industry. iwantobea is also optimised for viewing on mobile devices as well as PCs, because that seems to be where all the young people hang out these days.





# E28 5 Series

**I**t's hip to be square. Huey Lewis said that, so it must be true. And you won't see any more right angles than on the old, old, old, old, old, old shape 5 series, a.k.a. the E28. It might have looked square, but the 518 apart, the model line-up could not have been more eclectic or exciting. Six smooth cylinders defined the range of course, but there was also the ultra economical 5 (525e), the 5 that was essentially a supercar (M5) and the 5 with the bodykit (M535i). No one else had a line up that included all these fabulous 5s, not to mention the middle order 520i, 525i and 528i.

What we love that this 520i has pitched up as a co-star in a major TV Series, Stan Lee's Lucky Man.



# FCM 46

We promise that this time there will be some Vin Diesel action, so we are hoping that there will be a whole load of motors crashing into each other. Not only that we are going to do a lot of watches, with a motoring theme. Set your digital watch alarm right now.



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# SPENCER HAZE

Takes a look at the Wedgetastic TVRs of the '80s

WHEN THE TASMAR ARRIVED IN 1980 THERE WAS A FANTASTIC AMOUNT OF DAGENHAM INVOLVED FROM THE 2.8 V6 UNDER THE BONNET AND THE CORTINA WISHBONES UP FRONT. THAT AT LEAST MEANS PARTS ARE A DODDLE TO FIND AND BEST OF ALL CAN BE RELATIVELY CHEAP...

HEAD GASKETS CAN BLOW THOUGH AND YOU NEED TO GET THE TIMING BELT CHANGED EVERY SEVEN YEARS...

WHAT IS RARE THESE DAYS IS THE COUPE AND I WOULD TRACK ONE DOWN JUST TO BE DIFFERENT. THERE IS NO SHORTAGE OF ROVER V8S THOUGH, 350, 390, 420 AND 450...

REAR SUSPENSION ALWAYS A WEAK SPOT, ROT DOES NOT HELP BUT YOU REALLY NEED TO GET IT ON A RAMP. THAT'S THE BEST PLACE TO SEE ANY STRUCTURAL DAMAGE. BODYWORK CAN BE POORLY REPAIRED AND PART KEVLAR SEAC PRICEY TO FIX...

**SPENCER HAZE STAR RATING**  
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NOISY BEARINGS IN THE GEARBOX MEANS A REBUILD WORN MASTER CYLINDER IF THE CLUTCH IS IPFY. V8S CAN SLUDGE UP IF THE OIL ISN'T CHANGED AND THE TIMING CHAINS CAN RATTLE...

SEAC OR SPECIAL EQUIPMENT ARAMID COMPOSITE WAS PROOF THAT TVR WOULD PRODUCE TRULY BONKERS MOTORS...



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## SPENCER HAZE THE CARTOON SUPERHERO WILL BE LANDING

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