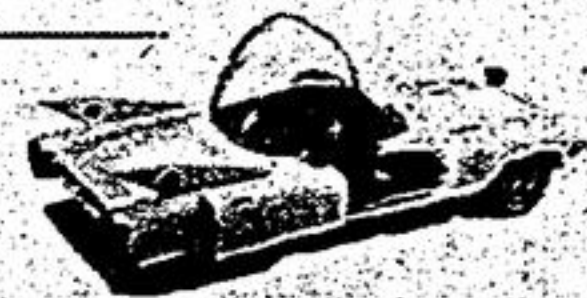


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It's HISTORY

★Before founding the car company named for him, David Buick was successful in the plumbing business.

★John and Horace Dodge not only supplied engines and other mechanical parts to Henry Ford, but also owned part of the company. They earned millions on their investment, which they used in 1914 to begin their own car company.



DRAWING BOARD

TOYOTA FXS: The FXS (Future Experimental Sports) is Toyota's latest

playtoy. This 1,300-kilogram (2,870-pound) roadster is fitted with a 300-horsepower 4.3-litre DOHC V8 that's also used in the Lexus SC430 convertible. A Formula One-style button-shifted six-speed manual transmission completes the powertrain. The swoopy sheetmetal, short body overhang and low centre of gravity is designed to maintain stability at high speeds. Is Toyota hinting that the next Lexus it builds will be a sporty two-seater? Stay tuned!



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1998 BMW 528iA	Stk#U457	Ford Grey on Black leather, sport pkg., audiophile, CD changer, 65,411 km	\$42,900*
1999 BMW 328i	Stk#U452	Steel Blue on Grey leather, sport pkg. 3, roof, heated seats, loaded, 63,035 km	\$41,900*
1999 BMW 323i	Stk#U448	White on Black Cloth, premium pkg. 2, CD changer only 14,500	\$35,900*
1999 BMW 540iA	Stk#U343	Silver on Black leather, sport pkg., ski bag, rear side airbags, 66,800 km	\$54,900*
1999 BMW 328iA	Stk#U454	Silver Blue on Grey cloth, premium pkg. 2, through load/ski bag, only 48,355 km	\$39,900*
1999 BMW 328iA	Stk#U455	Cosmos Black on Black leather, sport pkg. 3, Harman Kardon, loaded, 36,030 km	\$42,900*
1999 BMW 740iA	Stk#U437	Silver on Grey leather, park distance control, Xenon, audiophile, 68,599 km	\$56,900*
1999 BMW 528iA	Stk#U449	Cosmos Black on Black leather, premium pkg., ski bag, 65,260 km	\$44,900*
1999 BMW 328iA	Stk#U456	Orient Blue on Beige leather, prem. pkg. 2, auto di mirror, loaded, only 39,598 km	\$42,900*
1999 BMW 328CABA	Stk#U397	Black/Black leather, sport pkg., Harman Kardon, fully P/burners, 37,128 km	\$46,900*
1999 BMW 528iA	Stk#U416	Black/Black leather, premium pkg., Vavona wood trim, 58,480 km	\$45,900*
1999 BMW M3	Stk#9556A	Bright Red on Black leather, Mrear wing, electric seats, O.B.C., CD changer, fully appointed, one owner, all original, service record	\$44,900
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1999 BMW 528iA	Stk#U453	Cosmos Black on Black leather, sport pkg., auto dim mirror, 69,359 km	\$46,900*
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2000 BMW 323iA	Stk#9506A	Silver on Black leatherette, premium pkg. 2, loaded, 45,000 km	\$38,900*
2000 BMW 323iA	Stk#9572A	Jet Black on Black leatherette, automatic, in-dash CD, 51,500 km	\$35,900*
2000 BMW 323i	Stk#U426	Orient Blue on Grey cloth, sport pkg. 3, through load/ski bag 46,100 km	\$38,900*
2000 BMW 740iA	Stk#U436	Black on Black leather, P.D.C., audiophile, BMW phone, 53,527 km	\$65,900*
2000 BMW 740iA	Stk#U468	Cosmos Black on Black leather, sport pkg., audiophile, only 35,800 km	\$67,900*
2000 BMW 740iA	Stk#U474	Silver on Black leather, audiophile, wood trim myrtle, 78,971 km	\$65,900*
2000 BMW 323i	Stk#U285	Alpine White/Black leatherette, sport pkg. 3, heated seats, sunroof, 62,300 km	\$36,900*
2001 BMW 330i	Stk#9442A	Steel Grey on Black, 5 speed, sunroof, 33,167 km	\$44,900
2001 BMW 540iA	Stk#U481	Black on Black leather, automatic, audiophile, 11,000 km	\$68,900
2001 BMW 740iA	Stk#N8411	Silver on Black leather, audiophile, wood trim myrtle, 25,000 km	\$79,900
2001 BMW 325iA	Stk#U444	Bright Red on Black leatherette, autoatic, heated front seats, 17,300 km	\$39,900
2001 BMW 750iA	Stk#9420A	Black on Black leather, 18" sport wheels, BMW phone, navigation, 40,125 km	\$99,900
2001 BMW 325iA	Stk#U312	Orient Blue/Black leatherette, automatic, heated seats, 17,654 km	\$39,900
2001 BMW 325iA	Stk#U408	Black/Black, premium pkg., DSCIII, through load/ski bag, 15,205 km	\$43,900
2002 BMW 325xi	Stk#U459	Silver on Black leatherette, automatic, all wheel drive, rain sensor, 4,000 km	\$45,900
2002 BMW M5	Stk#9392A	Sterling Grey on Black extended leather, electric rear sunshade, 13,000 km	\$102,900
2001 BMW 745i	Stk#8765A	Sterling Grey on Black Nasca leather, executive pkg., 2,000 km	\$99,900
2002 BMW X5, 3.0	Stk#N9361	Topaz Blue/Black leatherette, on-board computer, 13,397 km	\$56,900
2000 PORSCHE CARRERA	Stk#72372A	Silver on Black leather, tiptonic, turbo 18" wheels, digital sound/CD, 16,800 km	\$99,900

DEMOS

2002 BMW X5, 3.0	Stk#N9341	Jet Black/Mahogany, sunroof, p/glass, rear sensor, s/shades, PDC, premium, audiophile, CD, 14,500 km	\$64,900
2002 BMW 325xi	Stk#N8790	Titanium Silver on Black leatherette, premium pkg. auto, 11,200 km	\$47,900
2002 BMW 325xi	Stk#N8997	Jet Black on Black leatherette, premium pkg., auto, rain sensor, 11,200 km	\$47,900
2002 BMW 540iA	Stk#N8760	Sterling Silver on Black leather, PDC, ski bag, 5,000 km	\$73,900
2002 BMW X5, 3.0	Stk#N9340	Jet Black/Black leatherette, sunroof, privacy glass, 14,726 km	\$57,900
2002 BMW 530iA	Stk#N449	Imola Red/Black leather, rain sensor, audiophile DSP, M Sport pge., 12,370 km	\$69,900
2002 BMW X5, 3.0	Stk#N9010	Titanium Silver/Black leatherette, privacy glass, PDC, R/boards, sunroof, 9,866 km	\$59,900
2002 BMW 740i	Stk#N8460	Saphire Black/Black, executive package, wood trim, 19" wheels, 8,000 km	\$102,900
2001 BMW 320i	Stk#N8325	Titanium Silver/Black, automatic, fog lamps, heated seats, 20,642 km	\$34,900

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- 2) Although my prime interest was in setting land-speed records, I was also involved in a wide variety of other automobile and motorcycle racing.
- 3) My most famous achievement was driving a car powered by four Pontiac V8 engines on 'The Salt'.
- 4) I also developed a successful automotive aftermarket parts business that continues to this day.



My name is Mickey Thompson, and to this day, racers use the performance products that bare my name.



EBAY WATCH

Corbin Sparrow, not sold, opening bid US \$12,500: The Sparrow is a unique three-wheel electric-powered vehicle from the minds of Corbin, the Hollister, Calif.-based company best known for producing ingenious and top-quality custom motorcycle seats. Shown is the original single-door concept Sparrow, which, in theory, makes it even more valuable than production models. The single-seat Sparrow has a reported range of 50 kilometres on a single six-hour charge (from a standard 110-volt outlet) and a top speed of about 110 km/h. This particular example has been driven less than 300 kilometres, according to the seller, an authorized Corbin dealer, who would have let it go for US \$13,500. Unfortunately, the auction ended without any bids. Visit ebaymotors.com.

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