

Bexhill – The Birthplace of British Motor Racing

Beginning

Talking about the formation of Bexhill's racing

- 1896 – 8th Earl De La Warr encourages the automotive club of Great Britain and Ireland to create the 'Great Whitsuntide Motor Races' and created a bicycle boulevard on the seafront
- He later turned this into a 1-kilometre-long motor racing course in 1902, which was on his own private property (The Sackville hotel to Galley Hill) where he disregarded the 12mph speed limit.
- This was his attempt to make Bexhill the next Monte Carlo as a seaside resort.
- In 1902, the winner of the races was French driver Leon Serpollet, in his Steam powered car, Easter Egg, which there is a replica in Bexhill Museum

Middle

Interviews with Chris Speck, regarding how the racing in Bexhill paused after the races in 1925

Interview Questions:

1. "What caused the downfall of Motor racing in Bexhill?"
2. "How did the end of these races in 1925 effect the people of Bexhill and the entire racing scene in general?"
 - a. Push into conversation with, "and there must have been people that were happy with the end too" to expand
3. "And finally, what happened after all of this, and how did the community continue the motoring industry"

End

Bexhill later on had many different motoring events after these events, it was a spark that in 1902 that caused so many different events that.