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Ten Thousand Miles of Veteran Motoring on Drive it Day

A record entry of over one hundred veteran cars built between 1898 and 1910 took to the relatively flat roads around Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire, over the weekend of 24th/25th April. Members of the Veteran Car Club took part in this road event restricted to cars with no more than two cylinders, each tackling one hundred miles of motoring – a combined mileage of 10,000 miles or so over the weekend. Drivers of more modern classics were much in evidence watching the veterans tackle gradients in some cases as steep as 1 in10 – most achieving a trouble-free, if slow, run. The oldest vehicle taking part was an 1898 Marot Gardon tricycle, powered by a 1 1/4hp De Dion Bouton engine and ridden by the youngest competitor, 17 year old Matt Roberts from Buckinghamshire. Veteran Car Club Members from Norway, Ireland, France and Germany joined UK members on the Sunday in marking Drive it Day with a real pop and a bang.

Photo attachment - Tom and Heather Cooke from East Sussex set off on Drive it Day in their 1901 De Dion Bouton

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