



THE DELAGE Cyclekart



The first CycleKart built was inspired by the 1927 Delage G.P. car which lived at the Briggs Cunningham Museum for many years. Mike Stevenson had grown up admiring that car, and when Peter Stevenson and he decided to make a powered version of a coaster-car they been experimenting with, the Delage was chosen. For our version of this magnificent machine, we blended bits of the earlier Delage Gran Prix cars with the 1927, coming up with a tribute to many of the French designs of the era.



Peter Stevenson giving the Delage CycleKart a run...



The original Delage has a wonderful low-slung design, and had pride-of-place at the museum, staying right near the entrance. The blown 1500cc engine was a little work of art itself, designed with roller and ball bearings throughout. Anyone who went to one of the annual parties will remember the tremendous sound of the car — One of the best in the collection!

Briggs Cunningham loved his cars and kept them road-worthy, as much as possible. It was always fun to see and hear the cars heading out for a drive (and sometimes getting rides!). Below Mr.C is giving the Delage a run around the parking lot in the late-'70's, with Mr. Burgess looking on, as well as assorted '70's crew and rabble.

The 1927 Delage

- 1500cc Straight-Eight, Supercharged, twin-overhead cams, 170 h.p. at 8000 r.p.m.
- Mechanical brakes, lovely and huge finned drum brakes, obviously enough to win races!
- Wicked sounding and wild!

The 1995 Delage

- 200cc single-cylinder, 6.5 h.p. at 3600 r.p.m.
- (and lucky to get it!)
- Agricultural sounding (and wild, when you've had a few and you're driving on empty Texas roads at night with no lights...)
 - Some braking
 - Ideal 60/40 balance of forward/lateral motion

