

1000mph Bloodhound

Andy Green is back, seems that 763mph just isn't fast enough



A 1,000mph British attempt on the Land Speed Record has been cooked up by current and former holders of the record, Andy Green and Richard Noble.

This time the target is to top 1,000mph with a car powered by the engine from the latest Eurofighter Typhoon, topped off by a rocket that apparently uses an 800bhp MCT V12 racing engine as its fuel pump.

Wing Commander Green OBE intends to sit in a tiny cockpit at the front of this surface missile, and hopefully hang on for the couple of back-to-back 1,000mph passes required by the adjudicators. 1,000mph equates roughly to four football pitches a second, by the way – or 500 metres for the sportingly challenged. It's twelve years since Andy Green bagged the current record of 763.053mph at the Black Rock Desert in the US, a heroic effort that generated amazing in-car footage and commentary of the fastest powerslides in history as Green battled to keep his car – Thrust SSC – on the straight and narrow.

<http://uk.youtube.com/watch?v=vHnNxMJLfvA>

