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MARLON KIRBY

Biography

Designer & Driver Maxximus G-Force, The World's Fastest Car

Marlon Kirby has vast experience building hot rods and high performance engines over many years for a variety of clients. One of his specialties is building stock spec Ultima GTR's. While working as a chauffeur, he met philanthropist and businessman Dr. David B. McMahan and the two discussed their love of fast cars and their shared dream of owning a one-of-a-kind car that was unique, street legal, and a record breaker. McMahan agreed to finance the building and design of the Maxximus G-Force, the first car Kirby would design completely from scratch. The two enthusiasts wondered whether the current structure of the Ultima GTR could be altered for even greater power and performance with one goal in mind; to develop the world's fastest, street legal supercar.

Maxximus Technologies was founded by Kirby in 2000, in Indianapolis, and for a few years, he worked on other people's cars. But Kirby never gave up on the idea of building a car of his own, a car that would show the world his skills as a designer. This was accomplished on October 7th 2008 at the Rockingham NC Raceway, where the Maxximus, driven by Kirby, broke three world records.

Kirby began his designs for the Maxximus on paper, working out various problems in his mind. To transform an Ultima GTR into a Maxximus, one must press the reset button on the entire drivetrain and a good portion of the chassis. This is no easy task, requiring hundreds of hours of custom fabrication because the ease of using a Porsche G-50 transmission is no longer an option. A further challenge involved moving the engine to sit in further on the chassis. This is

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necessary in order for the Maxximus to harness over 1,600 hp, something the stock Ultima GTR chassis and drive train are not capable of handling. About a dozen people with different specializations worked on the car over a period of two years, in places as far flung as the U.K., California, Indiana, Virginia, and Maryland. Kirby's low profile and relative obscurity enabled him to keep his design a secret.

Kirby and his wife Stephanie are the parents of two children. They reside in Indianapolis.

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