

Is this the world's most dangerous bicycle? Inventor powers bike with JET ENGINE to reach speeds of 50mph

- 32 year-old plumber, Colin Furze, builds jet powered bicycle nicknamed Norah
- Tests the bike at a local airfield WITHOUT safety equipment
- Inventor already holds three Guinness World Records for other inventions

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A plumber has built what he himself admits is probably the most dangerous bicycle in the world, powered by a homemade jet engine, which can achieve speeds of 50mph.

Colin Furze, who already holds three Guinness World Record titles for his inventions, including the world's fastest mobility scooter, modified his friend's mother's old Rayleigh pushbike.

The 32-year-old, who has nicknamed the modified bicycle Norah after her, attached a jet engine to the back and extended the frame so the rider is supposedly a 'safe' distance away from the heat generated by it.

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Worlds most dangerous bike: as this picture shows Mr Furze's new jet powered bike is anything but safe

But as the picture below shows neither Mr Furze nor his friends are wearing safety clothes or equipment and at one point come very close to blowing themselves up.

The British inventor is well known online for his outrageous, and often dangerous stunts.

He last achieved notoriety when he debuted his gas powered 53mph pram last year, shortly after becoming a father for the first time.

The video of him testing that invention, fortunately not with his newborn baby inside the pram, gained over 1.4 million views.

Mr Furze also features on Sky TV's Gadget Geeks and gained his first Guinness world record for making the world's largest bonfire in 2006.

He spent four months working on the bicycle, before testing it out in a local airfield.

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Jet propelled: the view from the seat of the jet powered bike shows how close the rider is to the exhausts and fuel canister



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Dangerous: As this image shows the exhaust pipes are glowing red from the amount of heat generated by the jets



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Remodelled: Colin Furze took four months to build his bike extending it at the back to protect riders from the heat generated by the jets but still extremely close to the gas canister holding the fuel

The pulse jet uses the same technology as the V1 Doodlebug bombs, used during the Second World War.

'This is my craziest creation yet and the scariest one to ride,' said Colin, from Stamford, Lincolnshire, 'Mr Furze admitted.

'My friend's mum was throwing out her bicycle, which she had ridden into town every day and loved so I decided to give it a new life.

'I had to lengthen the frame by about a metre as the heat the jet engine chucks out is immense and I didn't want to be sitting on top of it.

'It's quite pleasant to ride at speeds of up to 35mph but after 40mph it is very shaky and extremely difficult to control. It has a mind of its own and goes where it wants.'

Colin has also invented the world's fastest pushchair and longest motorbike. He unveiled his latest creation on YouTube and the video has already been viewed 150,000 people in the last week.

'Made from an old ladies bike with a jet engine whose roots come from a bomb this really is the most dangerous, unsafe bike ever,' he added.

He's not the first to invent the jet powered bicycle, however. That honour belongs to teenage Romanian inventor Raul Oaida, who spent three years developing his jet engine propelled mountain bike to speeds of up to 26 mph on a flat road.

Mr Oaida road-tested his jet engine bike for the first time in January on a road behind his house in the city of Deva, where the spectacle attracted a small crowd of onlookers.

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I saw a guy riding in a shopping trolley that was being propelled with a pulse jet engine a few years ago, this seems quite sensible by comparison.

- [John](#) , Bridgend, 16/6/2013 21:47

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Now Cameron knows, he will tax it.

- [Man on a Soapbox](#) , London, United Kingdom, 16/6/2013 21:39

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AND I BET HE DOESN'T PAY ROAD TAX EITHER !!!!!!!

- [Swivel I Dloon](#) , The Palace, Bulgaria, 16/6/2013 20:34

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@ Paul from Colchester- LOL, I'm not being a killjoy. I'd love to ride it myself- it looks like a lot of fun. I'm just saying, 50 is not very fast. On a rickety old bicycle 50mph is extremely fast. More than fast enough to kill you if you fell off.

- [tuguybear](#) , newcastle, 16/6/2013 20:21

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It's because of men like Colin that Britannia rules the waves and Britons never will be slaves.

- [Tormunkov](#) , Las Vegas, United States, 16/6/2013 19:58

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Say what you want. It works!!!!

- [Miguel](#) , Abilene, United States, 16/6/2013 19:48

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What's all the fuss about safety equipment so long as no innocent bystander is put at risk surely it's his neck? Good to see British eccentricity still exists though and building your own pulse jet is an achievement but I agree 50mph is not really anything special. Still, bet it feels a lot faster if your hanging on to it wondering when the thing is going to explode. We need people like this, makes the world a more interesting place.

- [Chris](#) , Gloucester, United Kingdom, 16/6/2013 19:24

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My son acted like that when he was on Ritalin for the first time.

- [epi](#) , calcutta, 16/6/2013 18:52

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- [Paul](#) , COLCHESTER, United Kingdom, 16/6/2013 18:40

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