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The Segrave Club Opens in London



Early-morning commuters were surprised to see the £15 million, 27-foot-long Golden Arrow 1920s record breaker manoeuvred into place in the Capital's latest exclusive private members' club.

The magnificent machine, driven by Sir Henry Segrave at an average of 231.446mph to break the world land speed record in 1929, was generously loaned by **Lord Montagu of Beaulieu** as the centrepiece of the Club's opening night party.

To an audience of over 250 guests, **Lord Montagu** and current land speed record holder (and the first and only man to have driven faster than the speed of sound) **Wing Commander Andy Green OBE** made speeches marking the inauguration of the Club.

For a one-off joining fee of £5,000 and an annual membership of £16,000, The Segrave Club offers members annual average usage of between 50 and 60 days' driving of some of the most exciting cars in the world.

The fleet - many on show that evening - includes: **Porsche Carrera GT, Mercedes McLaren SLR, Rolls-Royce Phantom, Lamborghini Murciélago LP640, Ferrari 599 GTB** and **Aston Martin DBS**.





The premises in Cheval Place, just a stone's throw from Harrods in Knightsbridge, was once well known as London's main **Aston Martin** showroom. More recently, it was branded **Maybach/Mercedes**, and in the 1920s was the workshop of Sir Henry Segrave – hence the name of the new club.

Segrave Chief Executive and supercar club guru **Nick Hancock** said: "It was truly amazing to have the Golden Arrow back in its old showroom here at Cheval Place, and it was undoubtedly the star attraction of what was a fantastic evening.

"Lord Montagu has been extremely kind to lend us Sir Henry's most famous car, out of the stunning collection at the National Motor Museum, and to have Andy Green as our guest of honour was rather fitting. It is astonishing to think that, over 80 years ago, Sir Henry Segrave became a global hero for driving at over 200mph, and we are now able to offer our members the track-based opportunity to do the same in cars out of our own fleet."

For further information please see [our article on The Segrave Club](#), and the Club's own website www.segraveclub.com.

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