VXR SIGNALS A NEW RANGE OF TOTAL PERFORMANCE CARS
DRIVER-FOCUSED, SOUL-STIRRING MACHINES FOR THE ROAD,

Live the change.

VXR.

Advances in automotive technology have diluted the modern driving experience to the point where many of today’s ‘performance’ cars have become soul-less and uncommunicative. You feel like you’re being driven: you feel disconnected. In fact, you feel like you’re not actually driving.

VXR changes all that. VXR is here to re-connect the driver to the road – not with a wire, but with a heartbeat.

First evidence was the sell-out VXR 220, but that was just a beginning. Every VXR is a focused performance machine, the kind you want to be driving if you like to get up in the night for a blast, just for the hell of it.

If you are that type of person, then you’ve got VXR in your blood. You just might not know it yet.
FROM Vauxhall.
Born on the Track.
Turned on, tuned in.

**VXR.**

VXR takes the experience, knowledge and passion gained from racing and crystallises it into a range of performance road cars. A VXR driver will have a complete visceral experience with the car. The driver will feel it, see it, hear it. It’s that moment the VXR communicates precisely how much grip is left and the driver balances the car with exact, measured, controlled responses. Driver and car working in perfect harmony.

It takes commitment, expertise and depth of resource to create cars like this and VXR is an important part of GM’s global performance family. From HSV in Australia to OPC in Germany together with consultants Lotus and the Triple Eight racing team, it’s a family that has created some of the world’s finest driver’s cars; the family who go racing – and win.

The VX Racing team have dominated the BTCC, winning the Manufacturer, Driver and Team crowns for the last four years in succession. And in 2005, former BTCC Champion Yvan Muller and 22-year-old Ulsterman, Colin Turkington pilot new Astra VXRs.

The engineers who develop these cars live, breathe and sleep performance cars. They know how to utilise the latest advances in automotive technology in a way that won’t detach the driver from the essential buzz of performance driving. They’re the kind of people you want developing your next performance car.

Iconic performance and racing cars are part of Vauxhall’s heritage and VXR is the latest strand to this DNA. The story will continue: there are more VXRs to come.

VXR. The heart and soul of performance.

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**THE DEVELOPMENT OF ROAD LEGAL VXR CARS WAS BORNE OUT OF THE KNOWLEDGE, EXPERTISE AND SUCCESS WE HAVE GAINED THROUGH THE VX RACING TEAM.**

STUART HARRIS – VXR BRAND MANAGER
Pictured in early season testing, the new Astra VXR aims to regain the BTCC title for a record 5th year in succession.
THIS IS EXTRA-SENSORY STIMULATION. CARS WITH SOUL MAKE YOU FEEL ALIVE, ELECTRIFIED AND INSPIRED. THESE AND EXCLUSIVE PERFORMANCE MACHINES. ARE YOU VXRS
Feel VXR

As momentum builds you begin to feel the VXR experience. There, in the palms of your hands, a complex series of frequencies and sensations telling you exactly what’s going on underneath.

A VXR driver gets all this and more. Steering, brakes, gear change, gear lever, driving position and seats all optimised to communicate those essential feelings that makes driving thrilling. And VXR drivers receive those frequencies and sensations in broadband, through the hands, the feet and – most crucially – through the seat of the pants.

Hear VXR

Performance-tuned engines. The growl of an induction system and the rumble of an exhaust. Don’t for a second underestimate the importance of aural inspiration when it comes to completing the package of a performance car; VXR hasn’t.

You’ll hear it the moment you turn the key – those subtle noises from the engine that communicate racing knowledge and experience. With a VXR, only the right sounds reach the driver – the sounds to stir emotions. Play with the bass, treble and balance – with your right foot.

See VXR

VXR’s shout performance from every curve. Look at a VXR and you’ll be in no doubt of its intent. Styling modifications add musculature to already toned and taut bodywork.

Take the Monaro VXR. There’s strength in the lines, a shape that’s the direct visual representation of the V8 engine that powers it – powerful, lithe and flexible.

It’s also aerodynamically efficient. The combination of the VXR front and rear spoilers reduces airflow beneath the car and increases directional stability.

Visually aggressive? Yes. All show and no go? Categorically not.

AND POWER TO ARE FOCUSED ENOUGH?
EXPERIENCE EXTRA-SENSORY STIMULATION

Monaro VXR and Astra VXR are the standard-bearers of Vauxhall’s new breed of performance cars. Each one has the soul of a race car, engineered for road use. One – Monaro – has re-defined the muscle car phenomenon for a whole new generation. And now, there’s Astra VXR, another inspirational driving experience from the same dedicated engineers. Soon – New Zafira will add VXR DNA to its brilliantly original and outstandingly flexible interior to become the quickest ever production MPV.
MONARO VXR

6.0 litres, 403PS, eight cylinders in a vee. Maximum speed, where permitted, 170mph plus.

Mate this to the classic front engine/rear-wheel drive chassis configuration and you’ve got a pure driver’s car. Ever wanted to steer from the rear? Apply here.

Unique 19-inch alloys  Pirelli P-Zero Rosso tyres  Lowered sports suspension
Experience

403 PS

It starts with a rumble. It’s harder edged, there’s greater intent. It’s the first sign of the Monaro’s Chevy smallblock V8.

Engage first and accelerate. 403PS becomes more than just a figure – it’s that thump in your back, the weight on your neck, the rush of adrenaline in your heart.


That’s VXR performance. Rocket fuel for the soul.
MONARO VXR ENGINEERING

You’re riding in an environment of comfort, build quality and refinement. But there’s something else. You can feel the depth of engineering excellence in the Monaro VXR’s chassis. You can feel that this is a thoroughly developed performance car.

There’s a harmony – a sense of all the components working together in synchronisation. Perfectly tuned suspension, epic levels of power and torque that’s just a flex of the right foot away in any of the six gears – the Monaro VXR is engineered to thrill.

“ON UK ROADS IT MAKES PEOPLE STOP AND STARE – WE’RE JUST NOT USED TO SOMETHING LIKE THE MONARO VXR.”

Top Gear March 2005
SPECIFICATION AND EQUIPMENT
Monaro VXR features the following equipment over and above the standard Monaro:

EXTERIOR FEATURES
> Sports grille, wide lower air intake and bonnet scoops
> Side sills with ‘shark gills’
> Rear three-piece spoiler with integrated brake light
> Dark-style tail lights

INTERIOR FEATURES
> VXR sports instruments, featuring oil pressure gauge and voltage gauge
> Unique contoured electrically adjustable leather-covered sports seats

STEERING AND SUSPENSION
> High-ratio power-assisted rack and pinion steering
> Fully independent multi-link rear suspension with linear rate springs and matched damper calibration
> Up-rated linear-rate front springs with unique sports damper calibration
> Front strut brace

BRAKES
Front ventilated disc brakes:
Grooved 330mm diameter
> Front calipers in red
Rear ventilated disc brakes:
Grooved 315mm diameter

WHEELS AND TYRES
> 19-inch ten-spoke alloy wheels (steel space-saver spare)
> 245/35 R 19 Pirelli P Zero directional ultra-low profile tyres

ENGINE
6.0 GEN4 LS2 V8 petrol (5967cc)
Max. power: 403PS (297kW) @ 6000rpm
Max. torque: 530Nm (390 lb.ft.) @ 4400rpm
Compression ratio: 10.9:1
Bore/stroke: 101.6mm x 92.0mm
> Aluminium alloy cylinder block and cylinder heads
> Revised engine calibration for improved power and torque
> Sequential fuel injection with coil-per-cylinder distributorless ignition and twin knock control sensors
> Cast steel roller rocker arms, roller cam followers
> Cross-bolted five main bearings six bolts per bearing cap
> Tuned stainless steel exhaust system
> Large bore 63mm dual exhaust system
> Quad exit high-flow alloy sports exhaust

PERFORMANCE (manufacturer’s figures)

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NEW ASTRA VXR

Let’s get straight to the point. No ifs or buts. New Astra VXR is Vauxhall’s hottest hatch... ever. Think 240PS and 320Nm with 0-60mph in 6.2 seconds. Think 2.0i 16v turbo, six-speed close-ratio gearbox and the low, flat ride of a genuine performance car.

And on top of all that – drop-dead styling that went straight from concept car to showroom without any compromise. If you’ve got buttons, Astra VXR will press them. Hard.

Unique VXR body styling  0-60mph: 6.2 seconds  Cross-drilled brakes

19-inch 10-spoke alloy wheels are optional at extra cost.
Listen

“Vauxhall’s most exciting hot hatch ever is nearly ready for production. The scorching 240hp Astra VXR goes on sale this Autumn... And what a stunner it is! Few models we’ve tested have ever turned as many heads as the VXR... Such is the macho stance of the newcomer that other motorists stopped in their tracks to get a look at it”...

*Auto Express* January 2005

“A new Golf GTi can’t get close to the VXR.”

*Autocar* March 2005
NEW ASTRA VXR ENGINEERING

It looks the part because it is the genuine article. Big 18-inch five-spoke alloys with ultra-low profile tyres, huge cross-drilled and ventilated brake discs and low sports-tuned suspension. As Autocar said “when the VXR bites the tarmac, it draws blood.”

An interior that’s packed with the look of aluminium and carbon, the smell of fresh leather from Recaro seats and three-spoke wheel, and just shouts ‘racing car’ with every glance you take. It’s the car you’ve been waiting for, built for the moments you live for, when it’s just you, the road and VXR.

VXR TO ME IS WINNING THE MANUFACTURER, DRIVER AND TEAM CROWNS FOR AN UNPRECEDENTED FOUR YEARS IN SUCCESSION.

IAN HARRISON – VXRCACING TEAM PRINCIPAL
BRAKES
Front ventilated disc brakes:
Grooved and cross-drilled, 321mm diameter
Rear ventilated disc brakes:
Grooved and cross-drilled, 278mm diameter
> Front and rear brake calipers in blue

TRANSMISSION
> Six-speed close-ratio manual gearbox

WHEELS AND TYRES
> 18-inch five-spoke alloy wheels (steel space-saver spare)
> 225/40 R 18 ultra-low profile tyres

ENGINES
2.0i 16v ECOTEC-4 Turbo
Max. power: 240PS (176kW)
Max. torque: 320Nm (236 lb.ft.)
Compression ratio: 8.8:1
Bore/stroke: 86.0mm x 86.0mm
> Revised inlet and exhaust manifolds
> Uprated turbocharger and fuel injection system

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NEW ZAFIRA VXR

Having a family didn’t stop you having a life. You still ride, play, ski or whatever it is that sets you free. And you still want to drive, not just travel. What you need is a seven-seat performance car.

Cue New Zafira VXR. The original compact MPV just grew horns. Two-litre turbocharged horns. No other MPV looks this good. And no surprise, this is the quickest production MPV anyone ever made. Enough said?
No excuses

Excuses. A word that doesn’t figure in the Zafira VXR vocabulary. And make no mistake, this VXR features all the innovation you’ve come to expect from a Zafira with added testosterone. Outright style and awesome power from a 2.0i 16v turbocharged engine. The same 240PS and 320Nm you’ll find in Astra VXR, Vauxhall’s hottest ever hot hatch. A six-speed gearbox, 18-inch alloy wheels and lowered sports suspension.

The New Zafira VXR. Coming soon to a Vauxhall retailer near you. Expect no excuses.
ARE YOU VXR ENOUGH?

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