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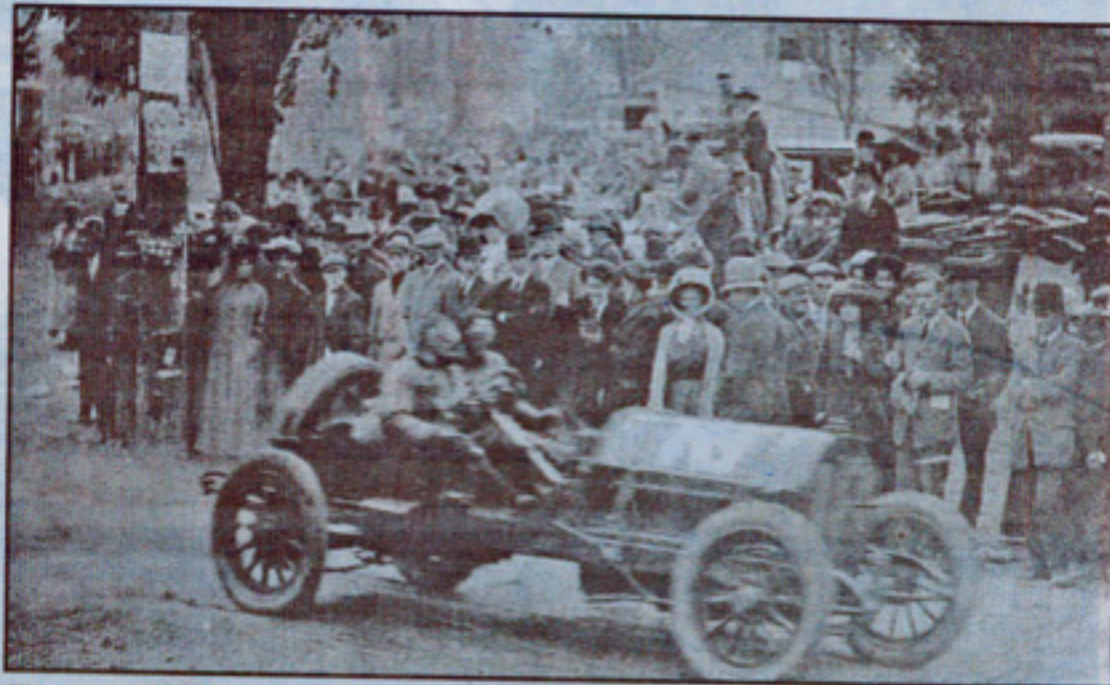
Cradle of Aviation to Host Vanderbilt Cup Race Exhibit

To celebrate the centennial of the 1910 Vanderbilt Cup Race, the Cradle of Aviation Museum will host an exhibit featuring rare vintage cars, special memorabilia and artwork from the four major races that ran on the Long Island Motor Parkway. The exhibit, "The Incredible Vanderbilt Cup Races Held on the Long Island Motor Parkway (1908-1910)," will run from Saturday, Oct. 23 through Sunday, Oct. 31.

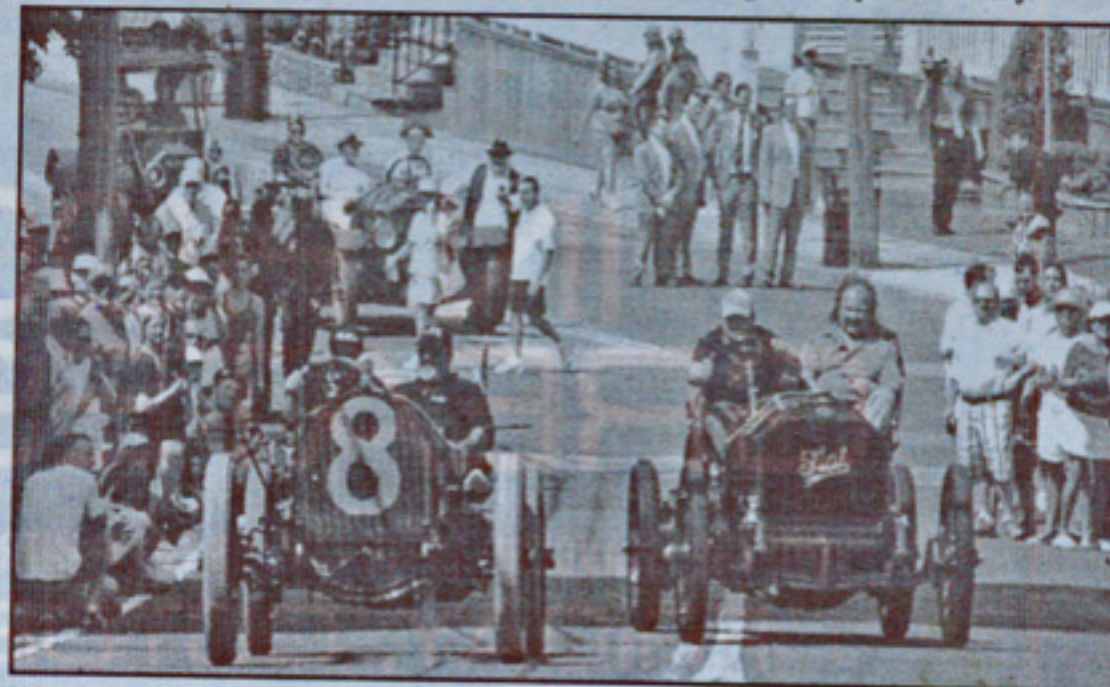
On display will be the 1909 Alco-6 Black Beast Racer and a rare 1909 Reo

Gentleman's Roadster on loan from the Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum. The 1909 Alco won both the 1909 and 1910 Vanderbilt Cup Races and participated in the Inaugural 1911 Indianapolis 500 Race. A similar modified Reo Gentleman's Roadster participated in the first sweepstake races ever held on the Motor Parkway on Oct. 10, 1908. The exhibit was developed and presented by author and historian Howard Kroplick, a resident of East Hills and owner of the Black

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Then and now. The Alco Black Beast racer in its prime during the early 20th century.



A century later, the racer still attracts a crowd.

Vanderbilt Cup Race Exhibit *(continued from sports page)*

Beast and creator of the website VanderbiltCupRaces.com.

From 1904 to 1910, the William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., Cup Races were held on Long Island roads. These colorful, exciting, and dangerous races were the most prestigious automobile events of their day drawing crowds of up to 250,000 people. From 1908 to 1910, the race-courses included the Long Island Motor Parkway, the first road built exclusively for automobiles.

In conjunction with the exhibit, these special activities (free to spectators) will be held outside the museum from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the initial weekend celebration:

Saturday, Oct. 23

Vanderbilt Race Centennial Demonstration Runs, classic, vintage and competition sports cars of all makes and ages in action including the 1909 Alco Black Beast Racer.

Car Show for Street Rods, Modifieds,

Customs, and Motorcycles, hosted by the Long Island Sound Region of the Classic Car Club of America.

Sunday, Oct. 24

Vanderbilt Race Centennial Demonstration Runs, classic, vintage and competition sports cars of all makes and ages in action including the 1909 Alco Black Beast Racer.

Car Show for Vintage cars, Classic cars and Pre-War Trucks, Fire Trucks and Police Cars, hosted by the Long Island Sound Region of the Classic Car Club of America.

For more information on these activities, contact Guy Frost at 621-2745, or Jim Barnes at 1-917-681-4274.

The Cradle of Aviation Museum is located on Charles Lindbergh Boulevard in Garden City, adjacent to Nassau Community College, off the M4 exit of the Meadowbrook Parkway. For further information, please visit <http://www.cradleofaviation.org/> or call 572-4111.