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### Best buy dash cams

Since we last looked at dash cams they have continued to improve in terms of functionality and performance. There has also been a surge in the popularity of dash cams, so the results of the latest product test by the leading consumer group

Which? are a useful guide if you are thinking of getting one.

Invaluable footage of an incident can assist in clarifying the truth where for example another driver clips your car and subsequently disputes your claim after an incident or they drove off. A dash cam can also

be invaluable in connection with so called "cash for crash" scams. The latest dash cams have a "parking mode" recording capability too that can capture a video record if your car is bumped into whilst parked.

The **best buys** with a Which? rating and typical store cost are all Nextbase models: the 312GW Deluxe rated 72% & £99, 212 Lite (71% & £69) and 512G Ultra (71% & £179). The Which? review of the 312GW Deluxe mentions a similar model, the Nextbase In Car Cam 212, as £30 cheaper at £69 but it does not have the GPS feature (location and speed recording but some might feel that is desirable if it were necessary to release a recording as evidence) and WiFi (to transfer recorded data), but for many users not having those two features might well be acceptable and provide good value for money. The saving could be used for a dash cam fitting service at Halfords which neatly conceals the wiring.

A 32GB Micro SD card will provide good recording capacity and they can be obtained from many retailers like Clas Ohlson

Halfords, John Lewis and Maplin. See our full report on the "More" webpage at: [www.v8register.net/more.htm](http://www.v8register.net/more.htm)

### V8 Roadster rebuild project

Following a major restoration of an MGBGT V8 previously owned by Dugald McNeill, Mike Macartney met up with his old friend and as Dugald was so attached to the car, Mike generously let it go back to him! But Mike had thoroughly enjoyed driving the V8 so the MGV8 bug had bitten him! We soon heard Mike had bought another MGV8 for restoration, a V8 Roadster conversion. As he was preparing the car to start the restoration Mike then offered to send in regular reports of the restoration.

The series of detailed illustrated reports Mike has sent for release on the V8 website have covered the lengthy preparation of the bodyshell and its transfer to a specialist for painting in Teal Blue. The eightieth report covered its return from the paintshop and the start of reassembly. It's a fascinating series – follow it via the link on the "More" webpage.