



PRESS RELEASE: Moulton Bicycle Factory awarded National Transport Trust Red Wheel

The Moulton Bicycle Factory, Bradford on Avon, has been awarded a prestigious Red Wheel plaque by the National Transport Trust in recognition of its significance in the development of transport.



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Moulton Bicycles, founded by pioneering engineer Dr Alex Moulton, led the world in the development and production of a small-wheel, full-suspension bicycle in the early 1960s. The revolutionary design transformed the bicycle industry, and demand for Moulton bicycles grew rapidly. The Moulton Bicycle factory was doubled in size from the launch date and by the mid-1960s, with the assistance of its sub-contractor partners, Moulton had become the second-largest bicycle manufacturer in England, behind Raleigh.

Commenting on the award of a Red Wheel, National Transport Trust Deputy Chairman Jerry Swift says, "Formed more than 60 years ago, Moulton Bicycles is a Bradford on Avon success story. Over the years the firm has developed an innovative product range while providing employment for generations of local people. The Trust's Red Wheels are designed to showcase our fascinating transport heritage and unveiling this Red Wheel celebrating the revolutionary Moulton bicycle gave us an opportunity to understand the wider contribution of the late Dr Alex Moulton to all forms of transport."

It is now hoped that the award of the Red Wheel plaque will help the Moulton Factory and its significance in transport heritage become better known to a wider and younger audience, both locally and nationally, and serve as a source of inspiration for designers and engineers of the future.

The National Transport Trust

Founded in 1965, (as the Transport Trust), the National Transport Trust is the UK's only national charity established to promote and encourage the preservation and restoration of Britain's unique transport heritage in all its forms – by air, land (road and rail) and water (sea and inland). The Trust is managed within a very streamlined structure, with the Board of Trustees representing the wider interests of the nation, for whose benefit the Trust exists.

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