

Jon Bentley

For 12 years, between 1987 and 1999, Jon was the producer and executive producer of Top Gear – and had a corner of the racing track (Bentley Bend) named after him.

In this role, Jon helped launch the TV careers of Jeremy Clarkson, Quentin Wilson and Vicki Butler-Henderson.

Jon was also the series producer of Fifth Gear from 2002 to 2004.

He also pens regular columns for Classic Car Weekly and Amateur Photographer – and has written for the London Evening Standard, the Daily Telegraph, Top Gear Magazine, MSN and CNET UK.

He is now the chief tech tester on CHANNEL 5's The Gadget Show to which gave him the opportunity to indulge another childhood passion, technology – He used to repair TVs, build radios and practise old-fashioned chemical photography in his youth.

