Champions' Choice:



The Champions...

Our board of experts—the men who helped us design our products and test them are some of the champion motorcycle riders of the U.S.

GENE ROMERO

A 23-year-old bachelor, Gene captured the 1970 AMA Grand National Championship and so won the National No. 1. Began his racing career in 1963 in Northern California. In 1966 named AMA "Rookie of the Year." In 1970 set the one-lap speed record of 156.521 mph at Daytona. In 1971, Gene placed second in the Daytona 200-mile road race.



Just turned twenty-one and now en-Just turned twenty-one and now entering his second year of expert competition, Dave finished third in the 1970 AMA National Point Standings. In winning at Talladega, Dave set a U.S. speed record of 104.589 for 200 miles.

DON CASTRO

Twenty-one years old from Hollister, California, one of the hottest young riders on the professional circuit. Don opened 1970, his first year of expert riding, by placing third in the Daytona 200-mile road race. At the end of the season he had rated No. 5 in the AMA national point stand-

JIM RICE

Jim won six national championship races during 1970 and took No. 2 in the AMA National Championship Point Standings. This native of Palo Alto must be rated among the top contenders for the 1971 Grand National Championship.



GARY NIXON

Two-time AMA Grand National Champion, in 1967 and 1968. In 1968, Gary won both the Daytona 200-mile race and the Daytona 100mile lightweight race-the only time a rider had won both events the same year. During his 13-year professional career, Gary has won over 300 races, including 14 AMA National Championship Races.

DICK MANN

Dick Mann has been racing for the past seventeen years. He was Grand National Champion in 1963 and runner-up in 1959, 1964, and 1965. In 1971, Dick won motorcycling's biggest race-the Daytona 200-and also set a new average speed record



TOM ROCKWOOD

Riding his first year as expert, this twenty-year-old Californian finished 9th in the 1970 National AMA point standings. Tom also captured the Half-Mile Point Title at California's famed Ascot Park and is obviously headed for a great future.



DON EMDE

This season will be Don Emde's first year riding in the expert class. Riding as an amateur, he finished 25th in the AMA National Point Standings. Don proved to be a solid contender by placing 3rd in the 1971 Daytona 200-mile road race.

and their Choices:

Top Gear is a new line of accessories designed with a new idea—that accessories for the rider and his bike should be approved by top experts—the champion bike riders. So those champions who act as our Board of Advisors wear and use and test our products. And they make some pretty special demands. They demand that all Top Gear accessories—whether for the rider or the bike—be extra-tough and extra-safe, in short, quality fit for champions. And where styling is important, they demand the look of a champion. In the following pages, you can judge for yourself how well we've succeeded.





Top Gear Leather Forecast

FOR ALL OUTDOORS.

In these leathers, Top Gear combines the look of champions with the careful attention to detail and the top quality that champions insist on. For instance, all leathers are top-grain, all riding jackets have a 2-inch wind-guard flap behind the zipper, all pants have wide, heavy-duty belt loops, to mention just a few of the extra-quality features. Top Gear Leathers are indeed the top in outdoor leather gear.

From left to right:

DAYTONA JACKET AND PANTS.

The bike rider's basic outfit. Just as great looking as it's practical. The top-grain cowhide leather jacket has a trim, tapered look. You get full arm freedom from the Bi-Swing Action Back. Windtight zippered sleeves, plus a double-gusset underarm design for more arm freedom. The extra-heavy duty zipper front is topped by a double-snap crew collar, Outside, there's a zippered breast pocket and inside a hidden snap pocket. Full quilted nylon lining. Men's sizes 36-48. Women's sizes 6-20. Antique Brown or Black. \$49.95. The matching leather pants are nylon lined from top to bottom. The two zipper side pockets close with a doublesnap flap, and there's a big snap pocket in back. The non-slip waistband helps keep pants up, shirt down. Men's sizes 28-42 (with odd sizes from 28-34). Women's sizes 6-20. Antique Brown or Black. \$49.95.

THE BIG ZIP COAT.

Big and Beautiful. The big, Two-Way gold-colored zipper can be closed from the top or bottom. The Two-Way collar can be closed at the neck on windy days or worn open in good weather. Top-grain cowhide with slash pockets, full brass-buckled belt and cinch-buckled sleeves. Inside, a zip-out pile lining. Antique Brown only. Men only. 34-inch length. Sizes 36-48. Special order only, allow 4 weeks for delivery. \$125.

From left to right:

RALLY LEATHER JACKET AND PANTS.

The jacket and pants are specially padded to protect you against bruising spills. The top-grain leather has been beautifully styled and tailored. The Talon zipper is extra-heavy duty. The crew collar fastens with two snappers. The broad shoulders taper to a narrow waist. The tapered sleeves are zippered for snug wrist fit. Quilted lining is snug in any wind or weather. Inside snap pocket and outside zipper pocket. Reflective Orange Rally Stripes on the sleeves and back for nighttime protection. For men only. Black only. Jacket sizes 36-48. \$59.95. Pants waist sizes 28-42. \$59.95.

OFF-ROAD LEATHERS.

You get complete protection for the roughest cross-country going, and you also get the smooth look of the pro. The jacket and pants zip together for the look and fit of a one-piece outfit. (The concealed zipper is extra-heavy duty.) The shoulders, elbows, and knees are padded. The jacket has two inside snap pockets and the lining is extra-strong nylon, quilted for protection and warmth. The sleeves are tapered and zippered for snugness. For men only. Black only. Jacket sizes 36-48. Available only as a set. Special order only. Allow 4 weeks delivery. Order by jacket size. \$150.

GRAND PRIX LEATHER JACKET.

The military influence adds extra snap to this high-fashion jacket. Note the top-grain cowhide, the epaulets, the military collar and flapped pockets, the military waistband, and yoked back. Inside, there's a soft quilted lining and a pocket with a snap closing. Zippered closings keep the wrists snug. Men's sizes 36-48. \$59.95. Women's jacket sizes 6-20. \$59.95. Antique Brown only. Matching pants for men and women in the same sizes and prices as in the Daytona leathers on the preceding page.





How to Ignore the Rain.



A real buy at only \$29.95.

introducing the Lightweight Champions.

TOP GEAR NYLON JACKETS.

Who says a windproof jacket or a warm jacket has to be bulky and heavy? Top Gear says no. These Nylon Jackets are marvelously lightweight, but they have more practical features than many heavy jackets. Just look:

- · Made of 100% DuPont Nylon in a rugged oxford weave that is wind-repellant, long-wearing, and machine washable. (That last feature means low upkeep.)
- · Optional Zip-In Liner. Made of DuPont Nylon, quilted for warmth and filled with lightweight Dacron polyester,
- · Scotchlite reflective stripes on Triumph and BSA jackets. (Reflects headlights from cars over 500 feet away.)
- · DuPont Velcro easy-fastening neck
- · Rugged zippers.
- · Oversized zipper pocket.

THE COMMANDER NYLON JACKET.

Navy Blue DuPont Nylon with officer's collar and epaulets. Extra-heavy duty Talon zipper, slash pocket with hidden, in-side zipper. Zip cuffs for extra snugness. Men's sizes, extra-small, small, medium, large, extra-large. (Women order men's sizes), \$16.95.

RALLY 'ROUND THE FLAG NYLON JACKET.

A red front, white sleeves and a blue back, plus a red, white, and blue stripe on each sleeve. Men's sizes, small, medium, large, extra-large. Women's and children's sizes, small, medium, large. \$12.95.

BSA BIG STRIPE NYLON JACKET.

Red and white with BSA patch. Men's sizes, small, medium, large, extra-large, Women's and children's sizes, small, medium, large. \$12.95.

TRIUMPH BIG STRIPE NYLON JACKET.

Blue and white with Triumph patch. Men's sizes, small, medium, large, extra-large. Women's and children's sizes, small, medium, large. \$12.95.

Zip-In Liner for any jacket. \$6.



Warm as warm can be, but wonderfully lightweight, too. Made of DuPont Nylon, quilted for warmth and filled withlightweight Dacron polyester. Red only. Men's sizes, extra-small, small, medium, large, extra-large. Women's and children's sizes, small, medium, large.



Get a Good Hand in These Gloves.



PADDED GLOVE.

With special double padding across the knuckles. Elastic wrists, clip rings. Made of imported black, hair sheep leather. Men's sizes, small, medium, large. \$9.95.



VENTILATED GLOVE.

Made of imported black deerskin tannage leather. Unlined with clastic at the wrists. Men's sizes, small, medium, large. \$4.95.



MOTO-X GLOVE.

Specially designed Off-Road glove with Finger-Gard ribs of polyure-thane for special protection. Made of natural imported deerskin grain leather. Men's sizes, small, medium, large. \$9.95.



GIANT GAUNTLET.

Inside, it has a knitted, padded Vel-cro-fastened lining. The outer glove is genuine cowhide with a soft, Featherbuck deerskin finish. The cuffs are elastic-backed vinyl, Black only. Men's sizes, medium, large. \$5.95.



TWO-TONE GLOVE.

Imported goatskin grain leather in a dress weight. The two tones are practical as well as handsome, be-cause the inserts are stretchable ny-lon knit. Black leather and red knit or tan leather and light tan knit. Sizes, small, medium, large, \$8.95.



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Red, white, and blue Rally Stripes across the knuckles, reinforced palms, polyurethane padded and lined, elastic at the wrists for snug fit. Featherbuck deerskin tanned leather in black only. Men's sizes, small, medium, large. \$6.95. Unlined. \$5.95. lined, \$5.95.

You'll Get a Boot Out of These.



12-INCH STREET BOOT.

A 12-inch boot with brass zipper, plus a cinch strap across the instep. Genuine cowhide upper, brown or black. Carrida High Density Composition sole and heel. Steel shank. Men's sizes 7 to 12 with half-sizes in between. \$24.95.



WOMEN'S 12-INCH STREET BOOT.

Top-grain cowhide with a smart strap and buckle at the calf. Carrida High Density sole and heel. Steel shank. Brown or Black. Sizes 5 to 10 with half-sizes to 9. \$24.95.



8-INCH STREET BOOT.

An 8-inch pull-on with Rally stripes down one side, a zipper down the other. Square toe. Genuine cowhide, brown or black. "Link Tred" cushion crepe rubber sole and heel. Steel shank. Men's sizes from 7 to 12 with half-sizes in between. \$17.95.



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Six adjustable straps on a rugged made in England boot. Genuine top-grain English tanned cowhide with a rolled leather top, padded shins, and built-in steel shanks for extra protection. Nitril High Density rubber sole and heel with steel tips built into both. Heel has wedge design to keep it from catching on pegs. Day-Glo safety stripe down the back. Sizes 7 to 12 with half-sizes in between. An unbeatable buy. Special at \$44.95.



RALLY BOOT.

Made in England. Styled with Rally stripes, plus double Day-Glo stripes in back, and double cinch straps in back. Genuine black English tanned cowhide upper and Nitril High Density rubber sole and heel. Protective steel shank. Men's sizes 7 to 12 with half-sizes in between. \$27.95.



MIDNIGHT RIDER CYCLE BOOT.

Genuine top-grain English tanned cowhide in this 16-inch imported from England boot. Double Day-Glo stripes in back, plus a full-length zipper with heel snap-tab. Nitril High Density rubber sole and heel with steel tips in both. Protective steel shank. Men's sizes 7 to 12 with half-sizes in between. \$32.95.

Show Your Colors.

These Swiss-embroidered emblems are color-fast and fadeproof. The smaller sizes are ideal for use on shirts, jacket pockets or shoulder. The larger emblems are meant for use on the back of a jacket or shirt.



THE ROAD DOESN'T END HERE.

We will keep adding to Top Gear Accessories. They will include the best of everything, from Bell Helmets to Champion Sparkplugs to Dunlop Tires, and from fairings to tail pipes. Now, and in the future, Top Gear will represent the Champions' Choice. Top Gear Accessories are not sold direct to consumers, but only through authorized dealers.



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