



How to ride The Cat



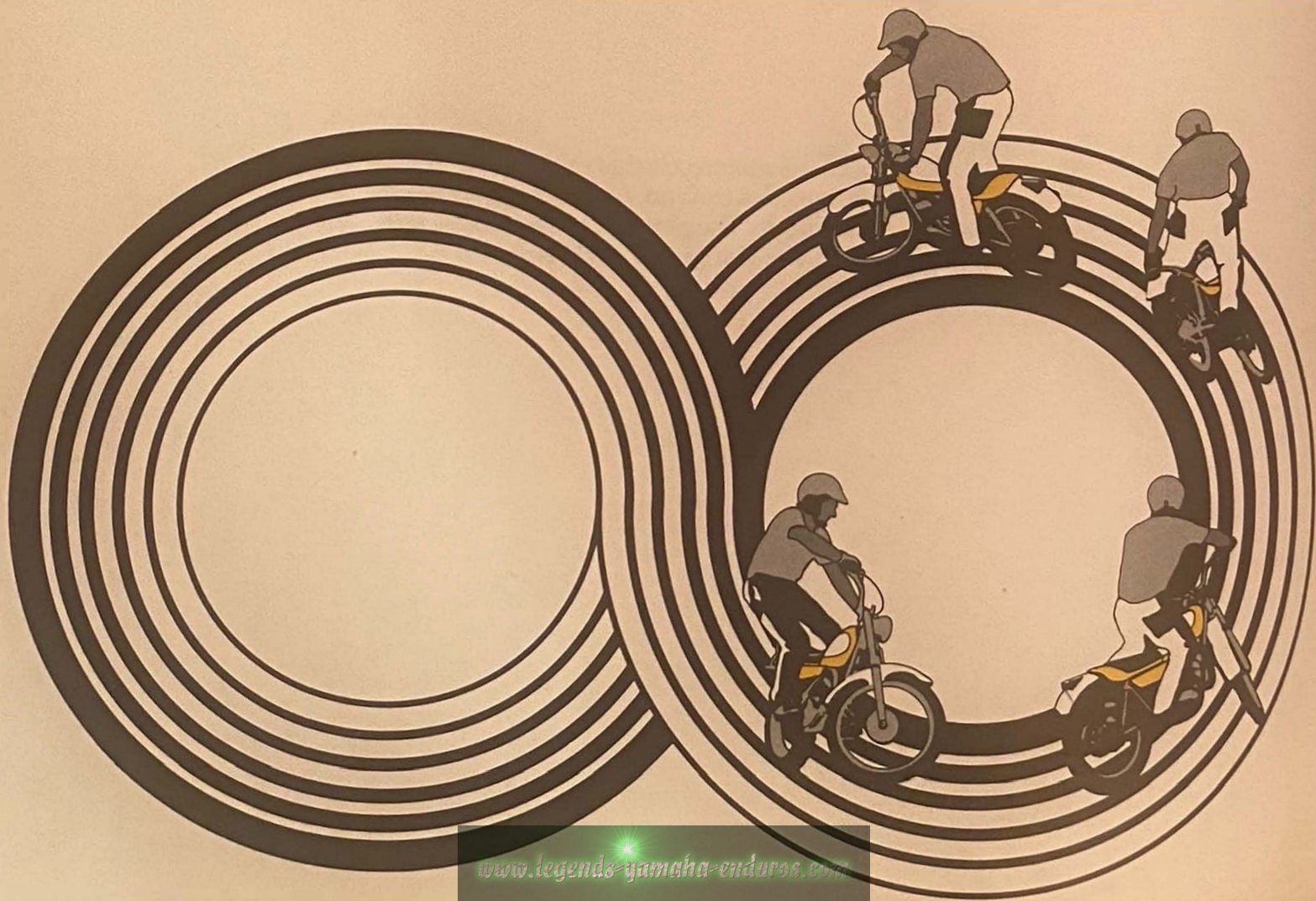
The Cat is a motorcycle that can go places other motorcycles can't go. And do things other motorcycles can't do. The purpose of this booklet is to show you what The Cat can do, and how to do it.

Learning to handle The Cat

Start by putting the bike into low gear with the engine idling. Turn the handlebars until they're almost fully locked and make as tight a turn as you possibly can. (You'll need body english to help you make the turn.) You'll get the feel of it, and once you've gotten the feel of it, you've mastered the skill of doing a full-lock turn.



Now try riding The Cat in a figure eight. These two exercises give you the basic practice you need in steering, throttle control and body control. Once you've mastered these, you've learned to do The Cat's favorite trick: the medium radius turn. A lot of the rest of your riding depends on your mastering this one basic skill.



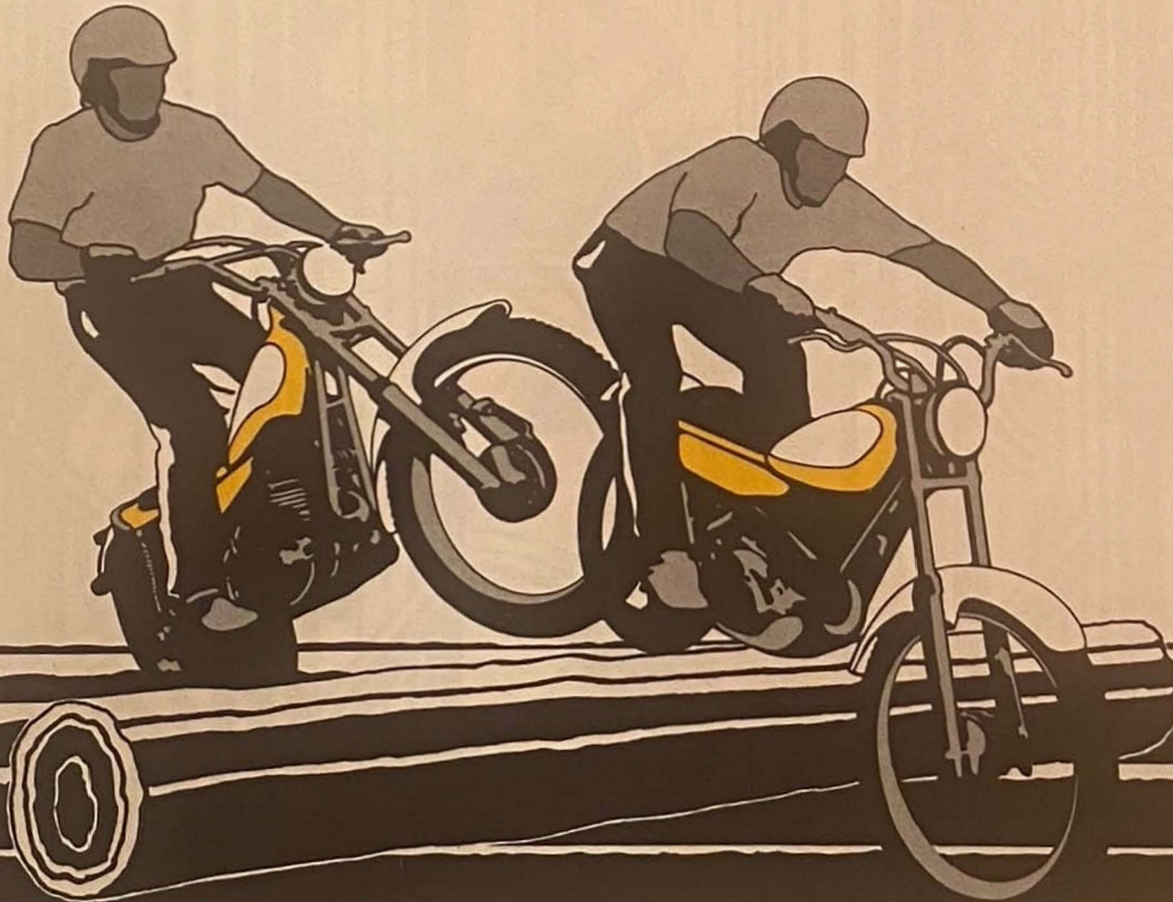
Stalk through the forest on The Cat

The Cat is at its best when it's moving slowly. You can ride over rocks with it. You can ride over fallen logs. You can climb steep grades. It just takes a little getting used to. The Cat is also very quiet, which makes the other animals in the forest very grateful.



Riding The Cat over a fallen log

Put The Cat into low gear, open the throttle and move your body backward just before the front end contacts the log. Once the front end is over the log, move your body back and close down the throttle, and just let the back end of the bike coast over the log. Once you get the hang of it, you'll find yourself looking for logs to go over.



Riding The Cat through water

Look for a shallow spot to cross. But remember this: The Cat has an extraordinary amount of low-end torque. So as long as you have The Cat in low gear, the machine is going to get you across.



Riding The Cat over the rocks



The Cat would rather ride over a rock than ride around it. Just remember to head right straight over the rock, so you keep your traction. It's the same technique as riding over a log, only harder.



Riding up steep grades

The Cat is the most sure-footed and persistent machine you've ever tried to take up a slope. The real trick is remembering to close down the throttle and shifting your body weight backward when you come to the top of the slope. And then as you start down, shift your weight backward and use your engine to brake.

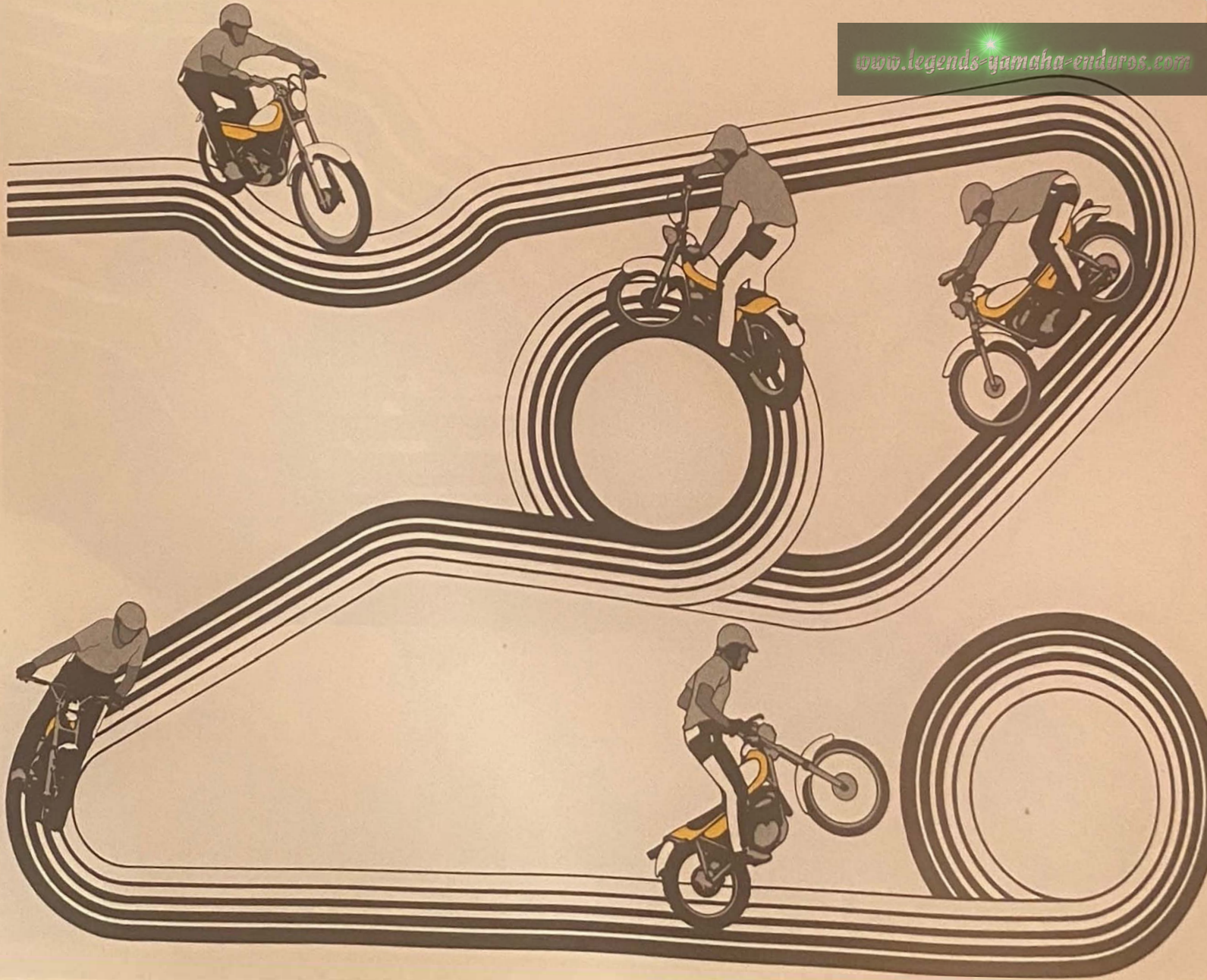


Play with The Cat

It won't take you very long to discover that The Cat will carry you across difficult terrain like no other machine you've ever ridden. Just be sure to take the time to familiarize yourself with the basic riding techniques. Build up to it slowly, and you'll find that this booklet is just the beginning. There's a lot more that The Cat can do. In fact, there's a lot more that *only* The Cat can do.



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