

# TROY'S STORY

BMW's Corser comes clean



# ARE NEW BIKES ALWAYS BETTER?

2008 and 2009 ZX-6R stripped and datalogged



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**8 PAGES OF TYRE TECH**

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## VORTEX LEVERS 100

Adjusted parts are dangerous. A little bit here and there can add a pleasing final touch to a bike. But too much will turn it into a tart's handbag. These Vortex levers are just the right side of horsepower we reckon, with a pretty high specification. You get the usual CNC-machined aluminium components, with a simple, yet effective span-adjuster mechanism and a break-off tip to stop a minor slip leaving you stranded. The Florida outfit also supports Neil Hodgson and Ben Edwards in AMA racing so you imagine they know what's what. Available for most current sportbikes in silver colour.

## BMW STREETGUARD 3 SUIT

Unlike most bike firms, BMW supplies some extremely high-end riding kit, like the Streetguard suit. It's been around for a few years now, but this latest version is a significant upgrade. It boasts a new Schottel Repsolshield waterproof outer shell that has temperature-sensing pores. When it gets warmer, the membrane pores open wider to increase breathability. There's full CE armour in all the right places, removable thermal liners and a special coating to reduce heat absorption from sunlight. It's more protective than before too, with new, tougher Dynalene panels in impact areas. A formidable suit, with a formidable price.

**£925**

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## ARC-ON CORSE GLOVES

New British firm Arc-on brings you these 'Corse' race gloves, made from cow leather. Triple Velcro cuffs secure them at the wrist and pre-curved fingers aid comfort. A quality item for a good price; worth a look.

**£75**

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