

DIOC NEWS

Hi gang! Welcome to the 27th issue. I hope you are enjoying your summer riding season. With this issue you should find your DIOC patch which was designed by Richard Coleman, of Half Moon Bay, California. A couple of things were changed from the original design but the overall design was by Rich and we sure want to thank him for doing such a great job. If you need any extra patches just send us \$2.00 for each one and 18¢ postage. I am personally sending these emblems out to make sure everyone on our current mailing list gets one. If you do not get one with this issue, due to your change of address or because the post office chewed up the Newsletter or your dog got to it before you did, then too bad. These are circumstances beyond our control and we simply CANNOT AFFORD to replace these emblems. They are too costly. We have taken the precautionary measure of having this Newsletter "Forwarding and return postage guaranteed" at OUR expense so we don't have to replace any lost patches.

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FACTORY DUCATIRACER GOES TO A MONOSHOCK REAR

Bologna - The Italian Ducati factory has announced a new version of the European Formula II Pantah racer.

The new chrome-moly frame is Ducati's first venture into the monoshock field. A single Pailoli shock controls a triangulated swingarm that mounts on the engine, as does the standard Pantah swingarm. Another departure is the steering head bracing which is different from previous racing Ducks.

More power has been pulled from the engine, which displaces 597cc from a bore and stroke of 81 X 58 MM. Valves are still closed desmodromically, and bigger Dell'Orto carbs - up to 40mm - and a two-into-one exhaust have boosted claimed horsepower to 78 at 10,500 rpm.

A Marzocchi fork handles suspension at the front, and a new type of floating-puck Brembo disc brake is fitted. Dry weight is claimed to be 130Kg. (Copy taken from CYCLE CANADA 7/81 iss.)

SO YOU THINK DUKES ARE TOO EXPENSIVE DEPT.

Robert Potts from New Zealand tells us the reason why there so few Dukes in N.Z. Prices are in dollars PANTAH \$6200. Darmah SD \$7800. 900SS \$9000. HAILWOOD REPLICAS \$9600. (ouch!)

REPORT FROM THE FACTORY

Pantah Wins Also the "Tourist Trophy" Isle of Man Race

At a distance of three years from the performance of the Ducati 900SS driven by the unforgettable Mike Hailwood at the Isle of Man, the Bolognese brand goes up again on the highest step of the podium.

This time the victory has been conquered by the new Pantah 500 in the class TT2, driven by the expert Tony Rutter who since the tests had mortgaged the victory, scoring the best time. Then, during the race on the terrible and binding circuit of Man the good points of the Pantah, ruler at this point in its class all over the world, were confirmed lap after lap up to the finishing line where Rutter and the Ducati Pantah confined the more immediate pursuers at two minutes.

At completion of the splendid ride the Pantah established the new records too, both on the lap and on the distance.

This success places the Ducati in the leading role of the favourite to become again World Champion of the category. This title will be assigned after the second and decisive race at the Ulster Grand Prix in August. Here is the finishing order of the TT Class II: 1st place: Tony Rutter/Ducati Pantah, 2nd Place Phil Odlin on a Honda, and 3rd place Charlie Williams on a Yamaha.

The Ducati Pantah Extends Its Performance in the World

The agonistic season is by now in full course and looking over

the results the Pantah 500 towers like a queen above the others. The echo of Ducati's victories comes from all over Europe.

Germany: The second round of the German Championship was in program at Hockenheim and again the Pantah beat all its opponents on this fast circuit, heading from now the Championship of the category. This success is completed with the first places in the 750CC and 1000cc categories too, obtained by a 750 SS and a 900 SS.

Spain: The 12 Hours Endurance valid as a second round of the Spanish Endurance Championship, took place in Jarama. Conquering the TT 2 victory at the end of this race, the Duke Pantah captured the Endurance title for the year. Proving to everyone of it's great endurance capabilities.

Italy: Attesting the foretells of the eve, the Ducati got its success also in the second round of the Italian Mountain Championship in the TT 2 Class obtaining at the same time the second absolute best time in the final results. This success improves the young rider Del Piano chances of obtaining the overall Italian championship.

France: Another important success, obtained again by the Pantah is the one achieved on the Paul Ricard Circuit Sunday June 8th by the French Philippe Guichon, in the French Promosport Championship in the 500 class. In fact the Pantah has neatly dominated during all 15 laps of the race, placing itself among the candidates for the French Title of the category.

PARTING SHOTS

On the cover is Larry Harck and his Powerhouse Ducati with the TZ fairing. The story is elsewhere in FEATURES Column.

We have had to bring back the Daytona T-Shirt with Cook Neilson on the front. Even after we cancelled the shirt the orders kept on coming in, so here it is again folks. We have also added the NCR T-Shirt to our line of Ducati wear. The logo is from the NCR folks, I just added the racing team stuff and PRESTO! a new shirt. And for those of you who would like to Ducaticize your car we have Duke auto tags. Wholesale prices are available to dealers for orders over one dozen of any assorted shirts. Prices available by request only.

Bye you all, have a nice, summer and ride safe.

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ROAD RACING TEAM

NCR ROAD RACING T-SHIRT

A limited amount of these shirts have been commissioned for overseas shipments. We have them for sale through the club for a limited time only. Shirt is Hanes white with red ringers, red, navy blue and sky blue colors used. It is a beautiful shirt that stands out of the crowd of mediocre shirts you see for other brands. Price is \$6.95 plus \$1.50 shpg and handling, Canada add 20% overseas shipping is \$3.10 air mail.