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Painted lettering on tires - thoughts?

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**canuck_triumph** Discussion starter

36 posts • Joined 2011



#1 • Jul 1, 2012

So I was having an interesting discussion with my dad about how he used to hand paint the lettering on his vehicle tires with white paint. I've got a T100 and thought it might be fun but I've never seen a comparable bike with the tires detailed like that. What are your thoughts? If anyone has a photo please share!

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#2 • Jul 1, 2012

I used to do it back in the 80's. There was a special pen you could buy, which came in a few different colours. I thought it looked cool! Go for it!

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5,050 posts • Joined 2009



#3 • Jul 1, 2012

I can understand why you might want to do that but as my Bonneville has taken on the "patina" of hard use, I focus less on fussing about details than I used to. Go for it and let us see how it turns out.

Yes, I am as big a pain in the ass in person as I seem to be on line.

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#4 • Jul 1, 2012

Haha I wasn't sure if it was still "cool" to do it but I like the idea of showing off tire brands. I found this one thruxton on google that looks neat. Is it a member's bike?



Oh and another!



A

Andy "C"

34 posts • Joined 2012

#5 • Jul 1, 2012

Ummm not 100% sure but the second picture looks as though the writing on the tyres has been photo shopped,don't look right If it is right its badly done Also its a website name

**canuck_triumph** ✓ Discussion starter

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#6 · Jul 1, 2012

True story. I'm on my iPhone and can't see them that clearly haha

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**stubzi**

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#7 · Jul 1, 2012

New Pirelli's

My new Pirelli's were already painted...no work to do!

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**doxiedog**

913 posts · Joined 2010

#8 · Jul 1, 2012

I did it,....in 1969.

I'm 67.... 17, when rideing



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**rheacerdave**

987 posts · Joined 2010

Guessing we ALL did. Looked good with our chrome reverse wheels. J.C. Whitney tire crayons. OK if you take your time. It never seemed to last long, it was a pasty, gooey paint stick.

Dave
rheacermotorsports.com

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rmak
3,397 posts · Joined 2006



#9 · Jul 1, 2012

I have some Triumph clothing, but other than that I try not to display anyone's brand unless the company is prepared to compensate me for it. If Metzler wants to contact me with an offer, I'll highlight their name on my tires. I really don't get the whole product identification thing, Nike, Polo, etc.

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Jihema
57 posts · Joined 2012



#10 · Jul 1, 2012

That's the beauty of it, isn't it? Nike, Polo etc. make you pay to advertise them. The very first thing I did on my bike, even before starting it for the first time, was to remove the dealer's sticker on the license plate. This being said, painted letterings on tyres look cool I must admit. What kind of paint would one use?

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melbbiker
199 posts · Joined 2012



#11 · Jul 1, 2012

I actually did this on my 675 Daytona and thought it looked **** hot. I am going to do the thruxton aswell. I just used a paint marker pen it starts to crack with tire movement but it's not noticeable from a distance and the first coat is the only one that takes time

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melbbiker
199 posts · Joined 2012



#12 · Jul 1, 2012

It's really works cos it was white I think I might go with gold paint pen on the thrux as I've got a black and gold 2012. What do you guys think gold or white letters for my thrux?

Attachments



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bluesman77

394 posts · Joined 2011



#14 · Jul 1, 2012

You're probably already aware of it, but they make tire paint pens specifically for what you want to do. Dupli-Color has white, yellow and red. The Pirellis on my Monster came lettered from the factory and look nice. For what it's worth, yellow is what most factories use for their racing tires - something to think about.

Jim



"...I am a Cafe Racer myself, on some days---and many nights for that matter---and it is one of my finest addictions..." Hunter S. Thompson

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S

Strongislander

118 posts · Joined 2010



#16 · Jul 2, 2012

RWL on Tires

Had it on an Opel Manta and a Firebird back in the 80's, thought it was HOT...but it was IN the tires not on them, might be a lot of work to keep it up...if it rows your boat, jus do it!

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HOOLGN

44 posts · Joined 2012



#17 · Jul 2, 2012

If its done right, I think it looks good. Take your time and post pics afterwards.

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F

Firefly

19 posts · Joined 2012



#19 · Jul 2, 2012

I've seen a nicely modded Bonnie with white lettered Firestones somewhere - very cool. Older style lettering looks better than slick modern lettering.

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malibiker

#20 · Aug 27, 2012

Just done it today on the thruxton looks good. Only just realized I have a different rear metzler to front from new. lastertec front and MEZ2 rear?? Everyone got those or mine different?

Anyway pics of my tyres

Attachments



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**B****Browner**

15 posts · Joined 2015

#46 · Apr 27, 2015 (Edited)

Lettering.

Do the other side adjacent as well. lasertec on the front and the mez2 on the rear...needs balance. Repost if you do it as I was going to do mine....

And yes they are different front and rear on my 2014 as well...

Let me know if anyone finds or has pics of a nice dirty yellow or gold pics and to show...I think it would look cool with the gold stripes on the Thruxton.

2014 Thruxton EFI, Predators added, AI removed, O2 Sensors removed, PC-V installed, New pegs, signals, ALL lights changes to LED., Tail eliminated.

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**Tigger**

331 posts · Joined 2007

#21 · Aug 27, 2012 (Edited)

There are two problems with this:

1. The makes of tyres. For the era of the bike, it would have to be Avon, Dunlop or Michellin. Certainly not Metzeler and absolutely, 100% not Bridgestone or Yokohama!

2. It's one habit from the 60's and 70's that, for reasons of good taste, needs to stay there - along with such items as sunstickers (remember those?), jacked up rear ends on Cortinas and whip lash aerials!



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melbbiker

199 posts · Joined 2012

#22 · Sep 2, 2013



1948 BMW with painted metzellers lol

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Salvelinus Fontinalis

2,274 posts · Joined 2012

#23 · Sep 2, 2013



Personally, I don't think it looks tacky at all. The white lettering looks very dressy and sharp as hell. I'm thinking about doing it now but am worried about how long it will last. Seems like it would be a pain in the azz to maintain after a while.

We thank you for flying with us tonight and hope you are enjoying your flight. . . By the way, is there anyone on board who can fly a plane?

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BotterbrodtGE

114 posts · Joined 2013

#25 · Sep 2, 2013



Did it on my 13 scrambler and liked the look. Gives a good sporting look with a touch of retro. I dig it.

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#26 · Sep 2, 2013

I think it looks great on my Legend, but you do have to touch it up a couple times per year. I used a paint pen called Hot Tires.

Kem



I'm no gynecologist, but I'll take a look.



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**CMoore**

103 posts · Joined 2013



#27 · Sep 2, 2013

I like this idea. Where did you buy the paint pen?

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**Kem770**

3,111 posts · Joined 2006



#28 · Sep 2, 2013

An auto parts store.

Kem

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**Mark66**

110 posts · Joined 2011



#29 · Sep 2, 2013

White lettering on a motorcycle tire.....don't like it, not my thing at all.

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**DaveCH42**

1,314 posts · Joined 2013



#31 · Sep 2, 2013

I wouldn't waste my time doing it.

I find it hard enough to motivate myself to do a thorough clean let alone put white on the bike.

Yorkshire! gods own county bring it on!

Think of how stupid the average person is, and realize half of them are stupider than that. (George Carlin)

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B

Baltobonneville

11,940 posts · Joined 2006

#30 · Sep 2, 2013

I wouldn't waste my time doing it.

Marty

(Sold April 2022) 2005 Bonneville Blue 790cc. AI removed. Staintunes RC. no snorkel. inlet enlarged. 118/40/NR7T needles/1

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T

TheCeleryStalkr

70 posts · Joined 2012

#32 · Sep 2, 2013

I like the idea and the pics in this thread look good. Although, I would get rid of the stock Metzlers first!

 Reply  Like



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I would only consider this if some one brought a new tire called a FUKU120

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Air Cooled Twins Talk
evedave · Nov 22, 2005

paint code for 2001 Bonneville

Hello All, I'm planning some mods to my 2001 Bonneville this winter. My question today is 'Does anyone know the paint code for the silver used for this particular year of Bonneville?' I see some possibilities listed on the Triumph site, but,...

Q 10 3.7K

kleahy003 replied Mar 18, 2020



Club Cafe'
Kem770 · Jan 25, 2011

Tire marker paint pens

Has anyone here used tire marker paint pens on your cafe racer tires? I kind of think it would look cool to have a little white lettering. Kem

Q 9 8.9K

Mr Bentwrench replied May 2, 2012



Air Cooled Cruisers - America, Speedmaster
quantumschema · Apr 24, 2011

Its time for new tires on my 03 America...

Hey all! Well, I just purchased my first bike and it's a beautiful '03 America. Everything is great except for me needing a new set of tires here very soon. So, I've done some searching and reading and here's what I've come up with... The Av...

Q 14 13K

calicouk replied Jul 18, 2013



Club Cafe'
Danbuc · Jun 9, 2011

Thoughts and opinions before I do something stupid lol

Well, as time goes by I've slowly been working on the cosmetic aspect of the bike in my head. Parts to buy in the next few months (crg hindsights, Isl headlight mounts/rearsets, arrow 2-1, ect). Those are easy decisions. Bike color is the...

Q 15 4.9K

Danbuc replied May 6, 2013



Air Cooled Twins Technical Talk
No False Enthus · Feb 23, 2012

New tires on my Bonny SE

Recently, I put new tires on my 2009 Bonny SE. I chose Conty RoadAttack for the front and Conty TrailAttack out back. Both are in the OEM size. As most mag wheeled Bonny owners now know, the 17 inch wheels don't open as many...

Q 1 917

BigArn replied Feb 23, 2012

riding on worn tires

i checked the rear tire and it seemed to have a few hundred miles or so left so what the heck...sparky675 and i rode about 120 miles and i was noticing the rear felt soft. i pulled over as i thought i had a flat. it wasn't flat but it looked like ...

Q 39 3.3K

doxiedog replied Apr 24, 2012



Riding and Survival Skills

35yearson · Mar 15, 2012

Tips on Staying Upright Pt 2

Further to the previous post, little more specific to urban highway/street conditions. One of several posts to come. Two small patches for friction, AKA tire tread contact points, ever ride through a bit of mud or muddy puddle slowly, then on...

Q 2 1.9K

Eraser535 replied Jan 31, 2013



Air Cooled Twins Technical Talk

pmahler · Mar 21, 2012

Paint Question - Matte/Flat Black - How to Achieve

I have a 2012 Thruxton, all shiny and black with the gold race stripes. I like it, but not more than a matte or flat black. I was told to sand off the current paint job and then spray paint it?! That sounds a bit "whack" or "cheap" to me. What's...

Q 6 2K

Calliway replied Mar 21, 2012



Classic, Vintage & Veteran

tazaroo · May 8, 2012

Should I paint my plastic air cleaner covers on my 73?

So my spring project is restoring the air cleaner/body and side covers on my 73 T140. I'm planning on having the metal side panels and inner metal bodies repainted because they are horribly faded. I have tracked down some practically N...

Q 10 1.4K

tazaroo replied May 13, 2012



Air Cooled Twins Talk

TB-T100 · May 17, 2012

Vinyl lettering

Anybody know where one can order custom vinyl lettering (for use on the side covers)? The company has to be willing to ship to Norway, and not take too long time.

Q 4 1.2K

gjones replied May 21, 2012



T3 Sport / Touring Forum

Barneycanoe · Jun 10, 2012

I have four different tire pressure gauges. Four different readings, although two are similar. One is an old one made in England I have replaced the rubber piece on, three are cheap Canadian Tire ones. How do you guys make sure your tire...

Q 2 901

KitNYC replied Jun 10, 2012



Air Cooled Twins Technical Talk

dc rat · Jul 4, 2012

Tire Size Combination and Brand "Vote": let your voices be heard!

My fellow "Rats", I know this "proverbial horse" has been "beaten to death" countless times. However, even after reading all the posts regarding the different brands and most popular "shoe" size combinations for our beloved twin "ponies", I...

Q 12 2.9K

dc rat replied Jul 26, 2012

M

Air Cooled Twins Talk

mint julep · Jul 16, 2012

Scram goes off on the Hwy 17 in Vt

Scram goes off on the A.Gap Hwy 17 in Vermont Hey guys, had an off and lowsided my bike a few days ago. :(I live to tell the tale. :) Been having a great two weeks of riding a whole lot with the Scram. Great routes in VT, headed down to hwy...

Q 18 2.9K

tonna replied Aug 9, 2012

D

T3 Sport / Touring Forum

deanzywicki · Aug 9, 2012

Tires for a '98 Sprint Sport

I searched all the existing tire threads and didn't find a good answer (for me anyway). It's time to replace the tires on my '98 Sprint Sport. I have had Bridgestone Battleax BT020 for the last 2 sets and wanted to try something different. With...

Q 21 4.3K

TD_tech replied Oct 28, 2012

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Classic, Vintage & Veteran

2XS · Aug 24, 2012

New owner with few questions on 73 750

So I have inherited my dad's 73 750. It has a few small issues and needs. Looking for suggestions and ideas or experiences and expertise. So the 73 has sat for at least 20 years since it last ran last...



Q 33 3.5K

2XS replied Aug 30, 2012



Air Cooled Twins Talk

rmak · Sep 22, 2012

Tire Options for Larger Rear Wheel

I posted this a while back and didn't get much response. I'm really close to putting an 18 or 19 inch rear wheel on my

Q 1 928

rodhotter replied Sep 24, 2012

**Air Cooled Twins Talk**

zenbike · Sep 22, 2012

Thoughts on used T100 prices

I think I've finally decided on my next bike, a black-white T100 that I plan to turn into a cafe/Thruxton style bike. Just really like the paint on those tanks but the riding style of a cafe bike. That being said, looking at used prices in the Nort...

Q 25 4.4K

eric nyc replied Oct 2, 2012

**Speed Triple Forum**

CometMan · Oct 23, 2012

Pic Request S3 fitted whit a 190 tire on the back

would like to see a 190 size tire fitted on the back of a S3 anyone?

Q 12 1.6K

DeanRider replied Oct 24, 2012

**Thunderbird Cruiser Chat**

BigGuy82 · Oct 30, 2012

Tire Source

Just ordered a rear tire from AMT (American Motorcycle Tire). I stuck with the Metzeler because I decided to go with the factory recommendation since I am so pleased with the way my 'Bird handles. Along with the lowest price I could find f...

Q 19 3.3K

linkdog replied Nov 3, 2012

**Air Cooled Twins Talk**

Jedhook28 · May 27, 2014

Painted tire lettering?

The evolution of the murdercycle takes another step. Now, do I paint the lettering on my Spitfires or leave them as is? Bridgestone offers this tire make with factory raised white lettering, but I couldn't find a set anywhere on the net.

Q 7 1.5K

hehehemann replied May 30, 2014

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