

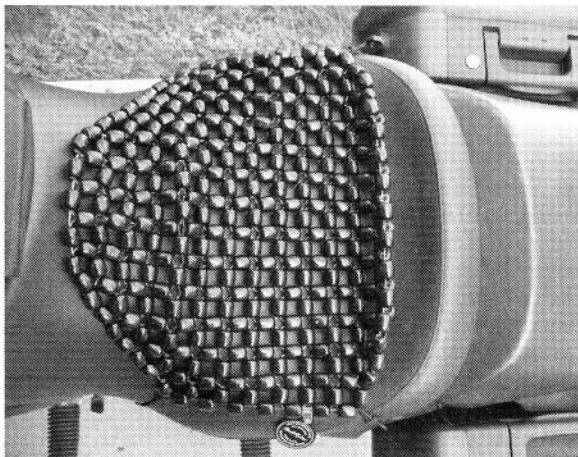
## Moshe's Picks



### PIGGYBACK STRAPS

Ever since I tested these for MCN, my bungee cords have been busy collecting dust in the bowels of my basement. My Piggyback Anchor Strap System (consisting of a pair of plain 60" straps, a pair of plain 72" straps, and a pair of the clever "piggyback straps" themselves) now resides in a compact Ziploc bag in my BMW's system case, ready to help me carry anything that can possibly fit on a motorcycle.

Just last week, I transported a 75-lb. 6000 BTU window-mount air conditioner to my parents' house two hours away. I had it on and off the passenger pillion within 30 seconds flat. Try that with bungee cords! Thanks to the innovative double D-ring design, the Piggybacks added a dimension of practicality to the motorcycle that wasn't there before, all while being utterly simple to attach, tighten, loosen, and detach again. **Piggyback Straps—\$24.95; (814) 467-5307; www.piggybackstraps.com**



### BEADRIDER

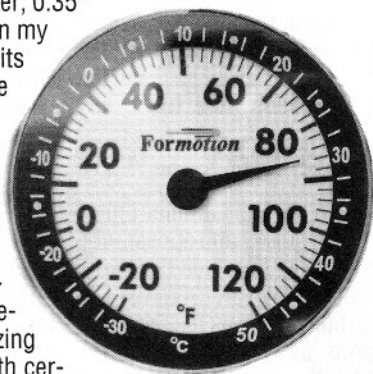
I already had a \$650 aftermarket seat on order for my BMW R1150RT when a friend invited me to try his stock RT seat with a Beadrider cover.

Suffice it to say that the seat order was cancelled the next day, and now after a year and 35,000 miles of hard use, the Beadrider remains one of my favorite functional upgrades. Thanks to the Beadrider, I completed a Saddle sore 1000 without squirming once, for a fraction of the price of a custom seat.

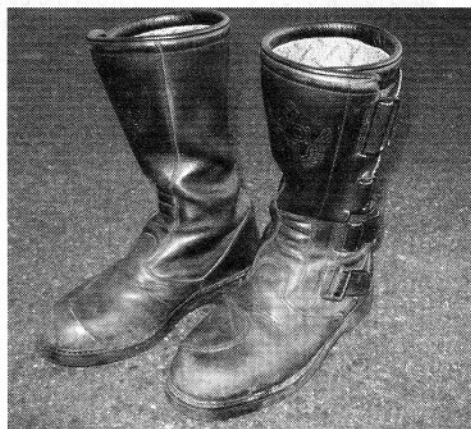
**BeadRider—9629 Athens Place, Gaithersburg, MD 20878; (301) 540-6868; www.beadrider.com**

### FORMOTION CLASSIC STICK-ON THERMOMETER

This little gem (1.55" diameter, 0.35" thick) fits perfectly between my RT's tach and speedo, and its "Super Lumiglow" faceplate glows in the dark for easy reading day or night. The gauge itself is liquid filled for durability and accuracy, and the alloy case is anodized in a variety of available colors. Great for bikes without factory thermometers, whose riders sometimes find themselves near freezing conditions. It helps to know with certainty when one should be on ice alert! Part No. BPL-74100 for Fahrenheit on the main gauge, BPLC-74100 for Celsius.



**Formotion—\$42.95; 30 Liberty Ship Way, Suite 3110, Sausalito, CA 94965; (415) 331-0400; www.formotionproducts.com**



### SIDI ON-ROAD SYMPATEX BOOTS

These are my Sidis after 75,000 miles. If only every article of gear I owned were so purposefully built, and so incredibly robust in construction! Despite years of riding through icy winters, blistering heat, torrential downpours, and everything else the commuting motorcyclist encounters, these boots still perform flawlessly.

No matter what cats and dogs were raining down or what stream I was wading through, my feet have always been as dry as the Sahara in the Sidis. Better still, these boots are comfortable enough to wear not just for riding the bike, but for working outdoors, hiking in rugged terrain, snowmobiling, or whatever else calls for warm and 100% waterproof footwear.

Put simply, these may very well be the last boots you ever buy. **Motonation—1100 N. Magnolia Ave., Suite A, El Cajon, CA 92020; (619) 401-4107; www.motonation.com**