

DAVIDA[®]
E N G L A N D



MADE AT DAVIDA, Manufacturing in the UK for more than 35 years

At Davida we have been defining quality in our own way since 1975.

Our genuine and relentless pursuit for excellence has been rewarded with a worldwide reputation for the quietest, most comfortable and well-made helmets available on the market.



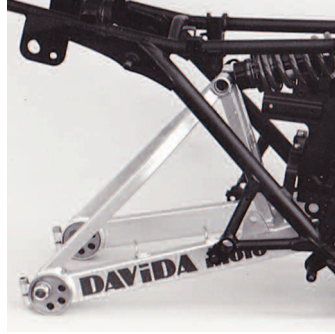
**DAVIDA CODE –
The Science of
Helmet Safety**

$$HIC = \left[\frac{1}{t_2 - t_1} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} a(t) dt \right]^{2.5} (t_2 - t_1)$$

Safety Certifications:



BS 6658: 1985 Type B
KM 91487



Whether you're looking sharp in the city, or clocking up miles on the open road, if it's Classic British Attitude you're after, there's no helmet more authentic than a Davida. Desired worldwide for more than 45 years by those who demand top quality, Davida has become one of England's most established and well-respected brands.

Keeping to form with its iconic old-school image, by working with Italian Moto GP & F1 Designers, the Speedster V3 & Koura are not only the most iconic helmet you can wear, but they are also the most comfortable, streamlined, compact and close fitting road-legal helmets in the world today.

As soon as you put your Davida on, you'll immediately notice the difference. The choice of high-quality materials, intelligent design & craftsmanship results in top-performance helmets that deliver an exceptionally quiet ride and won't lift at speed.

Davida's global reputation for quality & integrity extends not only to unique design & construction but to a sleek finish, immaculate paintwork, distinctive colours and the unsurpassed comfort of a luxurious leather interior.

Try one. You'll see.

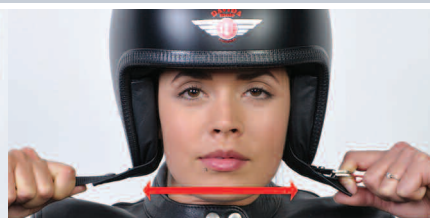
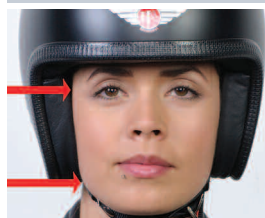
Ergonomically designed to prevent lift at speed and give an exceptionally quiet ride

The unique shape of the fibreglass shell and liner of Davida helmets follows the natural shape of the head, the helmet width below the ears is slightly narrower than at the temples creating a snug fit that ensures they are incredibly stable and secure.

Designed to Fit

The Davida helmet shell is proportional to your head size. The size of helmet shell is never bigger than it needs to be. The smallest shell is used to create the small sizes, a slightly bigger shell for medium and large sizes, and the largest shell for XL and XXL. Different sizes are then created by varying the liner thickness and interior padding.

When putting on and taking off it is essential to use the chin straps to firmly open the aperture.







ROAD & RACE

A NEW BREED OF RIDER

DAVIDA'S

FIRST FULL FACE

A RESULT OF THE ENHANCEMENT OF OUR TECHNICAL TEAM WITH THE VERY BEST EXPERTISE OF ITALIAN MOTOGP & F1 RACING HELMET DESIGNERS WHO DELIVERED THE SMALLEST- PROFILE, ROAD-LEGAL DAVIDA SPEEDSTER V3 IN 2016.

Dual marked with **ECER22-05** & **DOT FMVSS No 218** and **ACU Gold Approved** the New DAVIDA KOURA integrates the clean contours and compact proportions of the 70's & 80's full face motorcycle helmets together with key race-bred features. An uncompromising fusion of innovative design, exceptional ergonomics & superior comfort, a modern safety product elevated through DAVIDA's unique aesthetics.

Beautiful, yet aggressive.

The New KOURA is a retro inspired, high performance helmet, clearly identifiable as a DAVIDA with strikingly bold styling that will be impossible to go unnoticed on the streets or track.

Features

- Certified ECER22-05 & DOT FMVSS No 218 & ACU Gold Label - Approved for racing.
- Exceptionally streamlined & compact orbital laminated GRP composite shell.
- Multi density EPS shock absorption liner.
- Removable leather lined interior.
- Interchangeable with after-market Liner Kits available in 5 colours.
- After-market cheek pads in four sizes to create a more personal fit.
- Replacement 2.2mm visors available in Clear & Smoke Tint.
- Optional 3mm visor in black - superior optic grade visor & tear off enabled for race track or road.
- Secured using traditional webbing strap & Double D Ring.
- Available in 21 different colourways as standard.
- Available in 6 helmet sizes from XS (54) to XXL (61).



Sizes: XS 54cm S 56cm M 57cm L 59cm XL 60cm XXL 61cm

HELMET KOURA



Gary Birtwistle, 2018 DTRA Championships, Greenfields Dirt Track, UK. ©Tom Bing/Davida Archive

CUSTOMISATION

The Koura has a removable & interchangeable black leather interior fitted as standard, except 94514 which is supplied with a ZNUT brown leather lining. Changing the colour of the leather interior is a simple & spectacular way to personalize your Davida helmet. Complete After-market Kits to replace whole interior available in 5 colours.

Each Complete Liner Kit includes:

1 Comfort Liner, 1 pair of Ears, left & right & 1 pair of Chin Strap Covers, left & right. After-market Liner Kits are retrofitted.



After-market Liner Kits



Black

Black
 17052002-XS
 17052003-S
 17052004-M
 17052005-L
 17052006-XL
 17052007-XXL



Brown

Brown
 17052102-XS
 17052103-S
 17052104-M
 17052105-L
 17052106-XL
 17052107-XXL



ZNut Brown

ZNut Brown
 17052202-XS
 17052203-S
 17052204-M
 17052205-L
 17052206-XL
 17052207-XXL



ROX Blood Red

ROX Blood Red
 17052302-XS
 17052303-S
 17052304-M
 17052305-L
 17052306-XL
 17052307-XXL



White

White
 17052402-XS
 17052403-S
 17052404-M
 17052405-L
 17052406-XL
 17052407-XXL

After-market Cheek Pads available in four sizes to create a more personal fit

94 Koura	XS	S	M	L	XL	XXL
Keep Same Size Fit	30mm	30mm	30mm	25mm	25mm	25mm
Enlarge size at cheeks	20 or 25mm	20 or 25mm	20 or 25mm	20mm	20mm	20mm
Reduce size at cheeks	35 or 40mm	35 or 40mm	35 or 40mm	30, 35 or 40mm	30, 35 or 40mm	30, 35 or 40mm

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MASTERPIECE

THE NEW ROAD LEGAL SPEEDSTER

The New Davida Speedster V3 fulfils Davida's long-held ambition to produce a road-legal version of its original Speedster, one of the first open face helmets Davida produced more than 26 years ago. Whilst an improvement on the original 70's helmets, it remains genuinely reminiscent of these early jet-style helmets.

Dual marked with **ECER22-05** & **DOT FMVSS No 218** and **ACU Gold Approved** the New Speedster V3 retains all the features of the original Speedster helmet with the same low profile shell shape & same traditional leather lined interior, which is now removable & interchangeable. The improved interior-liner design delivers a new level of helmet personalisation with the ability to retro fit 5 different colours of interior leather liners.

Achieving dual certification on an exceptionally low profile helmet required an innovative revision of the original Speedster's construction using advanced 'orbital lamination' manufacturing techniques of our GRP composite helmet shells combined with **multi density EPS** shock absorption liners.



Features

- Certified to ECER2-05 and DOT FMVSS No.218
- ACU Gold Label – Approved for racing.
- Traditional low profile, orbital laminated GRP composite shell.
- Multi density EPS shock absorption liners.
- Removable leather lined interior.
- Interchangeable with after-market Liner Kits available in 5 colours.
- After-market 30mm cheek pads available to achieve a more personal fit in S, L & XL only.
- Secured using traditional webbing strap & double D ring.
- Goggle strap retainer.
- Available in 22 colourways as standard.
- Available in 6 helmet sizes from XS (53) to XXL (61).
- Optional studs for fitting visors and peaks.



Designed to prevent lift at speed and give an exceptionally quiet ride the width of the Davida Speedster V3 below the ears is slightly narrower than at the temples.



As with all Davida helmets the Speedster V3 has a goggle strap retainer and is compatible with the detachable Davida JPV visor and all styles of goggles.



The supremely comfortable and luxurious quilted leather lined interior with satin crown make for a superb level of comfort.

SMALL – LOW PROFILE ECER22-05 & DOT FMVSS NO.218

Sizes: XS 53-54cm S 55-56cm M 58cm L 58-59cm XL 60cm XXL 61cm

REBORN

SPEEDSTER V3



Jasmine, Red Marley Hill Climb 2017, Bike: Tosh's HD 45 WLA 1942.
© Gareth Buddo/Davida Archive

HELMET PERSONALISATION

The Speedster V3 has a removable & interchangeable black leather interior liner as standard, except 93514 which is supplied with a ZNut brown leather liner. Changing the colour of the leather lining is a simple but spectacular way to personalise your Davida helmet.

After-market Liner Kits are available in **5 different colours of leather**, White, ROX Blood Red, Brown, Znut Brown or Black and can be easily retro fitted to the helmet. Demonstration video online.

Each Liner Kit includes:
1 comfort liner, 1 pair of Ears - left & right and 1 pair of Chin Straps - left & right.



After Market Liner Kits



Black	Brown	ZNut Brown	ROX Blood Red	White
17051002-XS 17051003-S 17051004-M 17051005-L 17051006-XL 17051007-XXL	17051102-XS 17051103-S 17051104-M 17051105-L 17051106-XL 17051107-XXL	17051202-XS 17051203-S 17051204-M 17051205-L 17051206-XL 17051207-XXL	17051302-XS 17051303-S 17051304-M 17051305-L 17051306-XL 17051307-XXL	17051402-XS 17051403-S 17051404-M 17051405-L 17051406-XL 17051407-XXL

After-market Cheek Pads available in four sizes to create a more personal fit

93 Speedster V3	XS	S	M	L	XL	XXL
Keep Same Size Fit	30mm	25mm	30mm	25mm	30mm	25mm
Enlarge size at cheeks	25mm	No	25mm	No	25mm	No
Reduce size at cheeks	No	30mm	No	30mm	No	30mm



Jasmine, Donington, 2013.
© Davida Archive.

UNIQUE ERGONOMIC DESIGN, DELIVERS PERFORMANCE AND COMFORT.

The Davida Ninety2



BS 6658: 1985 Type B
KM 91487



The Davida Ninety2 is our smallest profile, road legal helmet, the Davida Ninety2 is manufactured to the highest quality control required by British Safety Standard certification BS 6658. 1985 Type B.

Benefitting from our 30 years' experience in creating superior quality open-face helmets, our lightweight, low-profile Ninety2 helmet has now been significantly improved since its introduction.

A **fully quilted, leather-lined interior** combined with the traditional styling of small profile helmets has produced a modern road-legal safety product that has a profile no larger than it absolutely needs to be.

Made with a fibreglass composite shell, a polystyrene shock absorption liner and a removable quilted leather-lined interior. Secured using a webbing strap and double 'D' rings and fitted with a leather goggle strap retainer. 5 studs can be fitted for visors and peaks, (optional, state when ordering).

Features

- British Safety Standard BS 6658: 1985 Type B certified.
- Low profile, lightweight fibreglass composite shell.
- Polystyrene shock absorption liner.
- Removable, fully leather lined interior, and satin crown.
- Goggle strap retainer.
- Available in all the Davida styles as standard as well as a bespoke service.
- Available in 3 shell sizes and 6 helmet sizes.



Designed to prevent lift at speed and give an exceptionally quiet ride the width of the Ninety 2 below the ears is slightly narrower than at the temples.



The supremely comfortable and luxurious quilted leather lined interior with satin crown make for a superb level of comfort.



As with all Davida helmets the Ninety 2 has a goggle strap retainer and is compatible with the detachable Davida JPV visor and all styles of goggles.

THE NINETY 2 SMALL – LOW PROFILE – BSI CERTIFIED

Sizes: XS 53-54cm S 54-56cm M 56-58cm L 58-60cm XL 60-62cm XXL 62-64cm

UNRIVALLED FIT

The Davida Jet



Jules, Liverpool, 2002. © Ken Danks
Helmet: Jet 80220. Goggles: Aviator T1.



The Davida Jet integrates the finest features of the traditional open face helmet into a modern safety product that meets the latest European Safety Standards ECE R22-05. We have developed a unique design process to produce a superior fitting helmet.

The use of extensive human head data has enabled us to produce helmets that are proportional to head size. The Jet comes in three shell sizes and six helmet sizes.

Sizing is achieved as follows; The smallest shell is sued to create the Extra Small and Small. the medium shell to make the Medium and Large and largest shell to make the XL and XXL. The different helmet sizes are created by varying the liner thickness and interior padding. Our Jet helmets are, therefore, the most efficient size and weight possible. The initial shell model has been finely sculptured by hand, using time honoured modelling techniques, giving the fibreglass composite shell an authentic classic shape.

5 Studs can be fitted for visors and peaks, (optional, state when ordering.)



The supremely comfortable and luxurious quilted leather lined interior with satin crown make for a superb level of comfort and is one of the quietest helmets available.



As with all Davida helmets the Jet has a goggle strap retainer and is compatible with all styles of goggles and the detachable Davida JPV visor.



Designed to prevent lift at speed and give an exceptionally quiet ride
the width of the Davida Jet below the ears is slightly narrower than at the temples.

"I always reckoned I rode harder in an open face and goggles – you can get your head down. My Davida Jet is so comfortable, more flexible... the lightness and mobility of the Davida Jet and Goggle combination allowed me to get around the bends faster"
Racer, Bill Swallow, Huddersfield, England.



Bill Swallow, Olivers Mount, 2004.
© Brian Maher

To achieve a comfortable fit we strongly recommend you visit your local dealer and choose a size larger than you would normally take.

Sizes: XS 53-54cm S 54-56cm M 56-58cm L 58-60cm XL 60-62cm XXL 62-64cm



Davida High Side, 2010. © Ben Part

The Davida Speedster

SPEEDSTER

The Davida Speedster, highly evocative of the helmets from the early 1970's, benefits from Davida's well-known reputation for quality, hand-built products using modern materials.

Manufactured using a composite fibreglass shell, a polystyrene shock absorption liner and with an interior which is lined with leather and satin crown.

Weighing approx. 1000 grams, the Speedster is a lightweight, small-profile helmet that is quiet and comfortable.

Secured using a webbing strap and double 'D' rings and fitted with a leather goggle strap retainer. 5 Studs can be fitted for visors and peaks, (optional, state when ordering).

Features

- Fibreglass composite shell.
- Polystyrene shock absorption liner.
- Full leather lining throughout and satin crown.
- Goggle strap retainer.
- Available in all the Davida styles as standard as well as a bespoke service.
- Available in 2 shell sizes and 5 helmet sizes.

The Davida Speedster does not conform to any current helmet safety standards.

"My Speedster and Aviator T2s are the best thing that's happened to me in 35 years of biking!" Henry Cole.



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Universal Face Mask – Mk 2

24072 Black 24073 Nappa Brown
24074 White 24075 ZNut Brown
Fits any jet-style open face helmet.

As with all Davida helmets the Speedster has a goggle strap retainer and is compatible with the detachable Davida JPV visor and Aviator Pilot T Series goggles.

Sizes: S 54-55cm M 56-57cm L 58-59cm XL 60-61cm XXL 62-63cm



Thomas, Llyn Celyn, 1998. © Ken Danks

CLASSIC

The Davida Classic retains all the original design features of the 1950's low dome helmet. Manufactured using traditional materials and techniques, the Davida Classic is a hand built product of exceptional quality. Neat and compact in design, it is an authentic example of one of the first helmets manufactured. Fibreglass shell with leather interior, side flaps and neck curtain.

Features

- Leather Interior with two tier cotton webbed harness.
- Internal harness and leather neck curtain is lock stitched to the full circumference of the shell.
- Fibreglass shell – Hand sculpted to retain classic dome shape of the original helmets of the 1950's.
- Quilted neck curtain, finely tailored, and lined with brushed cotton.
- Secured with studs and webbing with double 'D' ring.
- Goggle strap retainer.

The Davida Classic does not conform to any current helmet safety standards.

"When I first saw the Davida Classic I had to have one. I've worn it 28,000 miles around the world, lost it, loved it, sat on it, stood on it, eaten my dinner off it, leant my bike on it, and landed on my head in it, it's a family heirloom"
Nick Sanders, England.



Classic Face Mask

60072 Black 60073 Nappa Brown
60074 White 60075 ZNut Brown

Sizes: S 54-58cm M 58-61cm L 61-64cm



DAVIDA COLOUR RANGE

All these designs can be applied to any open face helmet in our range.

Please state the 5 digit part number when ordering. The first 2 digits of the part number describes the helmet type. The last 3 digits describe the colour and paintwork design.

Optional studs, for visor and peak fitting, please state when ordering.

Customer Specials & Collaborations available – see www.davida-helmets.com for details.

JET		SPEEDSTER		NINETY2		SPEEDSTER V3		CLASSIC		
80---		90---		92---		93---		60---		
Standard							Standard			
--102 Magnum Grain Silver	--104 Gloss Black	--105 Matt Black	--113 Cream	--151 Cosmic Candy Red	--356 Cosmic Flake Orange	--102 Silver	--104 Gloss Black	--105 Matt Black		
Two Tone						Standard		Two Tone		
--200 Silver/Black	--220 Black/Silver	--221 Black/White	--227 Matt Black 2P Gloss Black	--228 Black 2p Gold	--235 Black Eight Ball	--113 Cream	--200 Silver/Black	--220 Black/Silver		
Two Tone				Complex		Two Tone				
--260 Matt Black/Gloss Black	--270 Black/White Check	--290 Green/White/Red	--507 Cream, Union Jack Sides	--512 Mono, Union Jack Sides	--514 Cream/ZNut Brown	--260 Matt Black/Gloss Black	--270 Black/White Check	--290 Green/White/Red		
Complex				Collaborations		Complex				
--533 Black/Silver Flames	--535 Mono Union Jack	--754 Cosmic Flake Silver/Red Flame	--755 Cosmic Flake Blue Red 3 Star	Wheels and Waves	--514 Cream ZNut Brown	--533 Black/Silver Flame	--535 Mono Union Jack			

SIZING

David have 30 years' experience of sizing and fitting helmets for riders around the world – we know what works well. Fid The Lid, Davida.

How to measure your head:

To select the correct size simply measure the full circumference of the head above the ears and around the forehead. Sizing strip supplied with Classic helmet for your own personal fitting if required.

	52cm	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64
60 CLASSIC						S		M		L			
80 JET		XS		S		M		L		XL		XXL	
90 SPEEDSTER			S		M		L		XL		XXL		
92 NINETY2		XS		S		M		L		XL		XXL	
93 SPEEDSTER V3		XS		S		M		L	XL	XXL			

94 KOURA COLOUR RANGE

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Standard



94102
Magnum Grain
Silver



94103
White



94104
Gloss Black



94105
Matt Black



94113
Cream



94151
Cosmic Candy Red



94356
Cosmic Flake
Orange

Two Tone



94200
Silver/Black



94220
Black/Silver



94221
Black/White



94227
Matt Black 2P/Gloss
Black



94228
Black 2P Gold



94260
Matt Black/Gloss
Black



94270
Black/White Check

Two Tone



94290
Green/White/Red



94512
Mono Union Jack
Sides



94514
Cream/ZNUT Brown



94533
Black/Silver Flames



94535
Mono Union Jack



94754
Cosmic Flake
Silver/Red Flame



94755
Cosmic Flake Blue
Red 3 Star

Complex

Collaborations – Wheels & Waves



SIZING

How to measure your head:

To select the correct size simply measure the full circumference of the head above the ears and around the forehead.

52cm	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61
	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61
	XS		S	M		L	XL	XXL	

94 KOURA

GOGGLES – Classic Styles

Aviator Goggle

BY LÉON JEANTET
DISTRIBUTED BY DAVIDA

We did a lot of research in the early 90s and brought to life many of the Classic goggles you see on the market today. Our close collaboration with Leon Jeantet over the past 20 years has made Davida the longest established distributor of their products, with the widest global network of dealers.

Historically the majority of goggles on the market originated from Aviation. We wanted to develop something that would work specifically with Jet Helmets so we collaborated in the design of the Aviator Pilot T1, T2 and T3 goggles which offer excellent fitting with Jet style helmets and particularly with Davida Helmets. With distinctive classic styles and manufactured from the finest materials the Aviator Pilot T goggle gives a comfortable and windproof fit, following the curvature of the face whilst also fitting neatly into the aperture of most open face jet style helmets. The Aviator Pilot T2 are designed to fit over spectacles and is the preferred choice of Henry Cole. Through years of testing goggles and listening to riders, we know the Pilot is by far the best choice for the open face helmet.

David Fiddaman, Davida (UK) Ltd.
Founder, Managing Director, Fid The Lid.



Duncan Fitchett. © Gareth Buddo



Henry Cole.

Aviator Retro Pilot Goggles T1, T2 and T3 Specially designed to give an excellent fit with the Davida Jet Helmet

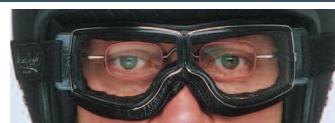
All T1/T2/T3 goggles are supplied fitted with clear lenses.



Retro Pilot T1

Padded with foam and covered with black goats leather. The curved body and frame give a wide peripheral vision and excellent fit around the face and into the aperture of most open face Jet helmets on women and men.

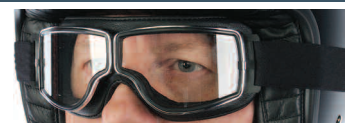
- 670722 gunmetal/black leather
- 670732 chrome/black leather
- 670742 gold/black leather



Retro Pilot T2 Optical

For use over spectacles. Specifications same as T1 but designed with cut-outs in padding to allow arms of spectacle frames to pass through. Excellent clearance for bridge and suitable for most spectacles.

- 670762 chrome/black leather
- 670763 chrome/brown leather
- 670764 chrome/white leather
- 670765 gunmetal/black leather
- 670766 gunmetal/brown leather
- 670767 gunmetal/white leather
- 670768 gold/black leather
- 670769 gold/brown leather
- 670770 gold/white leather



Retro Pilot T3

T3 goggles are identical to the T1 goggles but have a reduced amount of padding around the frames. Without compromising on comfort the overall effect is to make the T3 smaller in size and therefore a better fit with smaller helmet sizes and also benefit people with slim or narrow faces.

- 670723 gunmetal/black leather
- 670733 chrome/black leather
- 670743 gold/black leather

Replacement Headband



67203 Black

Styles



gunmetal

chrome

gold

Lenses



clear

yellow

smoke

silver mirror

blue mirror



Tamara, Tunnel of Love. © Ben Part

Aviator Retro Special Goggles and Retro Special Optical Goggles

All Retro Special goggles are supplied with clear polycarbonate lenses and two sets of acetate lenses, in smoke and yellow, including protective carrying case.

Replacement Lenses Available:

- 67111 clear
- 67112 smoke
- 67113 yellow
- 67114 clear curved polycarbonate
- 67115 blue mirror curved polycarbonate



Retro Special

Padded with black, anti-allergic, waterproof, natural pneumatic rubber which provides a firm contact and airtight seal.

*(67071 supplied with blue mirror lens and 2 sets of acetate lenses in smoke and yellow.)

67071* gunmetal/blue mirror



Retro Special Optical

Padded with black, anti-allergic, waterproof pneumatic rubber.

- 67031 gunmetal
- 67032 chrome

Styles & Lenses



Ring clip feature on Retro Special models allows headband replacement.



gunmetal/blue mirror lens



Clasp feature on Optical models allows simple lens changing.



Optical/gunmetal



Optical/chrome



Steve, Moto Giro d'Italia 2002. © Simon Mills

Aviator Retro Standard Goggles



Retro Standard

- chrome shown

Padded with black, anti-allergic and waterproof, natural pneumatic rubber providing a firm contact area and airtight seal. A neat and compact goggle available in four finishes.

- 67001 gunmetal
- 67002 chrome
- 67003 gold
- 67007 matt black



Retro Standard Cuir Mask

Padded with a one piece soft leather mask which is foam filled, hand-stitched and treated for water resistance. Provides a very flexible fit and effective air tight seal. This model does not have an adjustable nose bridge.

- 67065 chrome/brown mask
- 67063 gunmetal/black mask
- 67064 chrome/black mask



Retro Standard Cuir

- chrome shown

Padded with 12mm wide, soft black leather which is foam filled, hand-stitched and treated for water resistance. Provides a very comfortable and effective air tight seal.

67062 chrome (only)



Retro Standard Mousse

- gunmetal shown

Padded with 15mm wide black anti-allergic, waterproof foam rubber providing a soft, flat contact area and air tight seal.

67041 gunmetal (only)

Case Goggle and Lenses

All Retro Standard goggles supplied with clear polycarbonate lenses and two sets of acetate lenses, in smoke and yellow, including protective carrying case.

Replacement Lenses Available:

- 67101 clear
- 67102 smoke
- 67103 yellow
- 67105 blue mirror curved polycarbonate

Styles & Lenses



gunmetal



chrome/blue mirror lens, optional



gold



matt black



Cuir Mask chrome



Cuir chrome



Mousse gunmetal



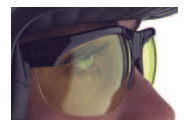
Cassandra, Wales, 2004. © Ben Part

Aviator Super Nylsun

67080 Super Nylsun Kit

Supplied with smoke lenses and 2 sets of interchangeable lenses, in clear and yellow.

Curved frames made of flexible moulded plastic provides an exceptionally good fit with Jet helmets.



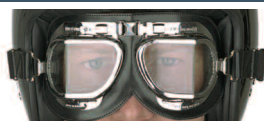
Replacement Lenses Available:

- 67181 clear
- 67182 smoke
- 67183 yellow

Halcyon Mark Goggles Please see www.davida.co.uk for images and full description of every Halcyon style



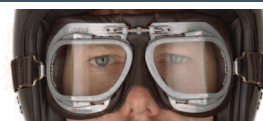
Ed Pole Tudor, Tunnel of Love. © Ben Part



Mark 4 - shown

Split Lens, Click Nose Bridge Adjuster.

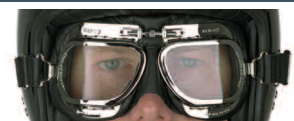
61001 Silver Cross chrome/black padded leather



Mark 9 - shown

Split Lens, Knurled Nose Bridge Adjuster.

61010 Vintage SL KA silver/brown leather



Mark 49 - shown

Split Lens, Knurled Nose Bridge Adjuster.

61016 Deluxe SL KA chrome/black leather

Please see www.davida-helmets.com for images and full description of 26 different styles of Halcyon goggle.

ACCESSORIES – Essential Kit and Apparel

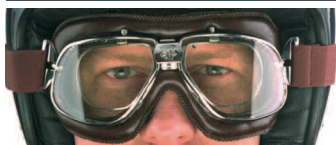
Climax 500 Goggles



Pear shaped frame and curved lenses providing a wide peripheral vision.

- 65500 Climax 500 chrome/black
- 65510 Climax 510 Square Pear chrome/black
- 65521 Climax 521 chrome/black

Nannini Goggles



Another option for riders requiring spectacles. The Nannini Roadster 860 Plus incorporates an internal mounting to hold the prescription lenses which are held permanently in place with a screw. Simply take goggles along to your optician for glazing.

- 69020 Nannini Roadster 860 Plus chrome/black leather mask
- 69021 chrome/brown leather mask

See www.davida-helmets.com for more Nannini Goggles.

BHV 3 stud Visor



Kite marked and certified to BS4110ZA for road use. Made from 2.0mm preformed Lexan® abrasion resistant polycarbonate & coated with anti-abrasion layer. Measuring 350mm deep & 195mm wide it is sufficient to shield the whole face. Fitted with 3 adjustable, superior quality press studs. Universal Visor to fit any jet-style helmet and any Davida helmet with 5 studs.



- 64009 Clear
- 64010 Smoke (daytime use only)
- 64011 Half Tint (daytime use only)
- 64012 Dark (daytime use only)

Classic Face Mask – Mk 2



Specifically designed to fit onto our Davida Classic helmet. Made of a single layer of leather, tailored to contour the face with an improved warm and soft laminated fabric liner. Six anti-misting aerators. Secured to neck curtain by two press studs.



- 60072 black
- 60073 nappa brown
- 60074 white
- 60075 znut brown

Universal Face Mask – Mk 2



Specifically designed to fit under Jet-style helmets. Single layer of leather, lined with an improved warm and soft laminated fabric liner. Eight pieces of leather carefully shaped and stitched for close fitting. Anti-mist aerators. Secured with adjustable black elastic, hook and eye.



- 24072 black
- 24073 nappa brown
- 24074 white
- 24075 znut brown

Vacuum Gauges



Manufactured since 1975, the Davida Vacuum Gauge System is a proven workshop tool used by professionals and home mechanics. Every set is a hand-built, quality product designed for simple and accurate carburettor balancing. Ready to use pre-damped gauges, fitted with neoprene pipes and housed within a robust powder coated steel case. Supplied with brass manifold adaptors and petrol pipe extensions.

Gauges 63mm diameter dials with clear and easy to read 0.6 Bar Scale in 0.01 increments. Built to industry standard, the internal gauge instrumentation is made with brass mechanism and copper alloy bourdon tube.

- 62004 System 6
- 62003 System 4
- 62002 System 3
- 62001 System 2

Davida Hats & Caps



- Beanie Hats**
- Embroidered With Davida Typestyle Logo – 100% Super Soft Acrylic -Double Knit – One Size – Black Only.
- 413000



- Davida Trucker's Cap**
- 100% Cotton Panels with Polyester Mesh – Pre-Curved Peak – Retro-Style Rear Snapback Adjuster – One Size – Black Only.
- 413200



- Davida Low Profile Baseball Cap**
- Embroidered with Davida Typestyle Logo – 100% Heavy Cotton Drill – Low Profile – Pre-Curved Peak – Stitched Eyelets – Rear Adjustable Strap With Buckle – One Size – Black Only.
- 413100



- Davida Duty Cap**
- Embroidered with Davida Typestyle Logo – 100% Heavy Washed Cotton – Pre-Curved Peak-Rear Adjustable Strap with Buckle and Loop – One Size – French Navy Blue Only.
- 413300

Davida T-shirts



Wing T-shirt white logo 100% cotton in black only. Heavyweight 180gsm and shrink resistant.

- 41000 Sizes: S, M, L, XL, XXL

Davida Wing Sweatshirt white logo 70% cotton, 30% polyester in black only. 280gsm with drop shoulder and metal zip.

- 41100 Sizes: S, M, L, XL, XXL



Impact T-shirt yellow/black logo 41001 (Sizes as Wing T-shirt)



Davida T-shirt white logo 41002 (Sizes as Wing T-shirt)



Cosmic Pilot T-shirt white logo 41003 (Sizes as Wing T-shirt)

For more Davida accessories, essential kit and apparel go to www.davida-helmets.com



All Davida leathers are made outside of the UK from smooth, soft, supple leather with strong zips and studs, classic lines, minimal fuss and maximum comfort.

Over the years there have been almost as many variations on the black leather as there are individual motorcyclists, with every rider having at least one, but their essential appeal and simplicity remains the same. We have taken great care to design our black leathers so they fit well and look iconic in their own right. **Made outside of the UK** from a smooth soft and subtle leather with strong zips and studs, clean lines, minimal fuss and maximum comfort.



Mk1 Jacket

Mandarin collar, slightly raised and lightly padded around the nape, fixed with 2 studs – Original YKK aluminium zips – 15mm zipped sleeves at cuffs – Two outside zipped hand pockets – One outside zipped chest pocket – Fully quilted liner for warmth.

440300 Womens Sizes:
UK 8-18, US 6-16, Euro 36-46
440100 Mens Sizes:
UK/US 36-56, Euro 46-66



Mk1 Jeans – Womens

Single stitched seams – Original YKK zip in black – No belt loops on waistband – Waistband fastened by concealed hook & eye and Velcro. No rear pockets for bottom streamlining – Two horizontal front pockets – Extra long leg length to cut and fit – $\frac{3}{4}$ length leg lining.

440400
Sizes:
UK 8-18, US 6-16, Euro 36-46



Mk1 Jeans – Mens

Double stitched seams – Original YKK aluminium zip in bronze – Six belt loops on waistband – Waistband fastened with one hook and one stud – Two rear pockets – Two front pockets, one with coin pocket – Extra long leg length to cut and fit – $\frac{3}{4}$ length leg lining.

440200
Sizes:
UK/US 30-42, Euro 40-52



Mean Fuckers, London, 1980's. © Cress

Womens Mk1 Jacket

Actual Chest (cm)	90	94	98	102	106	110
Actual Chest (inch)	35.5	37	38.5	40	42	43.5
Size UK	8	10	12	14	16	18
Size US	6	8	10	12	14	16
Size Euro	36	38	40	42	44	46

Mens Mk1 Jacket

Actual Chest (cm)	90	94	98	102	106	110	114	118	122	126	130
Actual Chest (inch)	35.5	37	38.5	40	42	43.5	45	46.5	48	49.5	51
Size UK/US	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56
Size Euro	46	48	50	52	54	56	58	60	62	64	66

Womens Mk1 Jeans

Actual Waist (cm)	68.5	74	79	84	89	93.5
Actual Waist (inch)	27	29	31	33	35	37
Inseam (inch)	33	34	34	35	35	36
Size UK	8	10	12	14	16	18
Size US	6	8	10	12	14	16
Size Euro	36	38	40	42	44	46

Mens Mk1 Jeans

Actual Waist (cm)	76	81	86.5	91.5	96.5	101.5	107
Actual Waist (inch)	30	32	34	36	38	40	42
Inseam (inch)	35	35	36	36	37	37.5	38
Size UK/US	30	32	34	36	38	40	42
Size Euro	40	42	44	46	48	50	52

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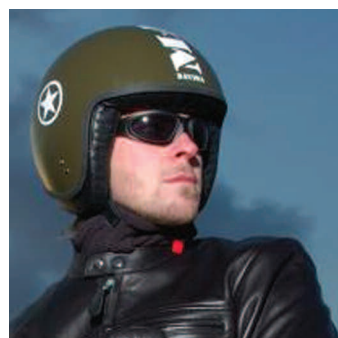
The Davida Equipped range is set by our collective experience over 30 years in choosing and using quality motorcycle products. We can meet all your equipment needs, both on and off the bike, from reasonably priced practical motorcycling basics to high performance, multifunctional kit. We can fit you out for your everyday journeys and provide all the specialist equipment for more adventurous expeditions.



Jules. Photography Brian Maher
© Davida Archive

In Oct 2012, Gary Inman rode 8000 miles in 3 weeks with Nick Sanders from New York to California and back.

"The Davida Jet was comfortable and brilliant straight out of the box. The Davida JPV1 Visor was a revelation. 700 miles in 2 days in the most torrential rain I've ever encountered, it performed brilliantly."
Gary Inman.



Jules, New Brighton, 2005. © Brian Maher



740001 74 WRS Mk1 Kit
Supplied with detachable arms, elastic headband, smoke lens fitted, and an additional pair of clear and yellow lenses, and a protective case.

Davida 75 JPV1 Visor

The **JPV1** is a distinctive 'Fighter Pilot' shape, reminiscent of the first detachable visor created for the pilots of the early Jet aircraft in the 1960's. A robust and highly versatile visor which does not create any annoying vibrating noises at speed. An excellent alternative to goggles or fixed wrap around visors, which can be used in conjunction with sunglasses or spectacles.

Specifications and features

- 2mm thick scratch resilient polycarbonate 100mm (d) x 360mm (w)
- Very aerodynamic - preventing penetrating wind and rain
- Preformed bubble-shaped polycarbonate visor
- Riveted to a slim stainless steel rim
- Finished with rubber trimming
- Strong and durable headband
- 30mm width elastic held within a strong weatherproof sheath
- Removable Headband
- Universal fit with Jet-style helmets.



- Sits securely in the up position without moving
- Easily pulled down over the eyes when required.

Visor Styles



750001
Clear
ECER22-05 Approved.



750002
Light Smoke
ECER22-05 Approved.
(Daytime Use Only)

Davida 74 WRS Kit

The **74 WRS Mk1 Kit** is a highly versatile and super comfortable pair of sunglasses. Fitted with detachable arms that can be removed and replaced with an elasticated headband. The aerodynamically shaped frame is fitted with detachable and replaceable lens carriers that have additional foam padding for comfort.

A full range of spare parts is available to cover all eventualities; although, made from lightweight and flexible TR90, WRS Mk1's are not easily broken.

TR90 is a stronger and more flexible material than polycarbonate, allowing them to mould into a comfortable and aerodynamic shape, giving an exceptionally close and wind resistant fit without creating uncomfortable pressure points across the nose-bridge or temples.

Optical The Davida WRS can be converted into spectacles with prescription lenses or enhanced with photochromic lenses. Please see manufacturer's website www.davida-helmets.com for up-to-date information on these options.

Replacement Lenses



740101
Clear



740102
Smoke (Grey)



740103
Yellow



740104
Orange



740105
Green



740106
Smoke (Brown)



740120
Smoke (Grey) Silver



740121
Smoke (Grey) Blue Mirror



740122
Smoke (Grey) Black/Red Revo

Replacement Parts



740109
Lens carrier



740110 Davida Arms
Replacement arms with black Davida logo



740111 Davida Arms
Replacement arms with red Davida logo



740115
Replacement elastic strap

Living our lives on the road, out on our motorcycles, in all weather, puts extreme demands on the equipment we use. Pick the right kit for the job and you can enjoy the ride.



Davida PMX Goggle



The **PMX Goggle** is a good quality, Oakley-style MX/Enduro goggle offering neat, lightweight (116 gsm) and functional goggle compatible with all types of open face jet-style helmets.

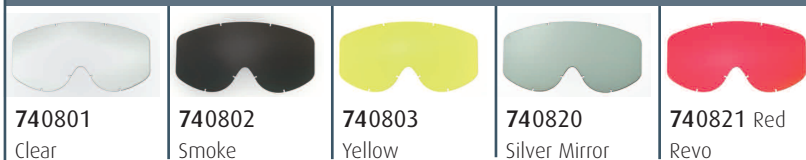
The MX style Davida PMX Goggle is particularly popular with riders who need a goggle with a smaller frame size to achieve a close fit within the narrow aperture of the low profile helmets, such as the Davida Speedster V3 and Ninety 2, as well as the XS, Small and Medium Davida Jet helmets.

740005 74 Davida PMX Goggle

Supplied with superior quality Clear LEXAN® polycarbonate lens fitted and a protective bag.



Replacement Lenses



Not approved to any current road safety standard and used entirely at risk of user. Check legality in your region prior to use.

Specification and Features



Davida 74 Bubble Visor



2mm thick preformed polycarbonate 370mm wide 210mm long. Fitted with 3 adjustable press studs. Universal Visor to fit any jet-style helmet and any Davida helmet with 5 studs.

Davida 74 WRP Visor



2mm thick preformed polycarbonate 320mm wide 170mm long. Fitted with 3 adjustable press studs. Universal Visor to fit any jet-style helmet and any Davida helmet with 5 studs.

Davida Punk Visor



- 2mm thick preformed aerodynamic polycarbonate
- Wide peripheral vision
- 5 Adjustable Visor Studs
- Suitable for use with Davida Speedster, Speedster v3 and Ninety2 helmets with 5 or more visor studs.

Designed by Davida to complement our open face jet-style helmets with 5 visor studs, **the Davida Punk Visor** is an improvement on 3 stud visors. A full preformed, wrap around 5 stud visor provides complete protection from wind & rain & dust as well giving a firmer and more secure fitting which reduces annoying vibrations from wind when the rider performs a 'life saver' lover their shoulder or when looking left and right.

63101 Clear ECER22-05 Approved

63102 Half Tint

63103 Dark Smoke

Davida 74 DPV Visor



2mm thick preformed polycarbonate 330mm wide 220mm long. Fitted with 3 adjustable press studs. Universal Visor to fit any jet-style helmet and any Davida helmet with 5 studs.

Davida Punk Visor in Dark Smoke does not conform to any current road safety standard and used entirely at the risk of the user. Check legality in your region prior to use.

Davida Lightweight Glove



A perfect combination of materials to ensure a highly versatile glove designed to keep you cool, confident and comfortable, especially in the summer when your hands can get uncomfortably hot negotiating city traffic. The clever use of 4-way stretch panels provides an ergonomic fit with excellent moisture wicking qualities. The gloves are unlined to maximize airflow over the skin and evaporate moisture.

Specification

- 4-way stretch
- High wicking & breathable.

Sizing: Unisex Lightweight Glove – Black/Grey Suedette
 450101XS 450101S 450101M 450101L 450101XL 450101XXL 450101XXXL
 Unisex Lightweight Glove – Black/Grey Suede
 450103XS 450103S 450103M 450103L 450103XL 450103XXL 450103XXXL
 Unisex Lightweight Glove – Black/Black Suede
 450102XS 450102S 450102M 450102L 450102XL 450102XXL 450102XXXL

Features



4-way stretch panels.



Choose between padded palms in real suede or suedette.



Grip strips on palm and fingers.



Reinforced thumb areas.



Velcro wrist closure.

Davida Shorty Glove



The iconic and enduring style of the ever popular short-cuff leather motorcycle glove is perfect for warm weather riding. Made from soft cowhide leather, stitched together with Kevlar thread and lined with comfy fleece, creating a simple and uncomplicated design, providing maximum tactile comfort and great dexterity.

Specification

- Cowhide
- Through dyed
- Kevlar thread throughout.

Sizing: Unisex Shorty Glove, Black – 450201XS 450201S 450201M 450201L 450201XL 450201XXL 450201XXXL
 Unisex Shorty Glove, ZNut Brown – 450203XS 450203S 450203M 450203L 450203XL 450203XXL 450203XXXL
 Unisex Shorty Glove, Z Grey – 450205XS 450205S 450205M 450205L 450205XL 450205XXL 450205XXXL
 Unisex Shorty Glove, Z Tan – 450206XS 450206S 450206M 450206L 450206XL 450206XXL 450206XXXL

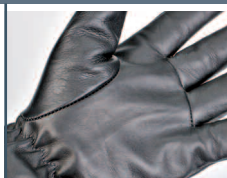
Features



Also available in Z Grey and Z Tan Leather.



Short cuff & popper stud wrist closure.



Minimal seams & excellent feel on twist grip & levers. Simple & uncomplicated style. Elasticated wrist.



Fleece lined.



Davida Racer Glove



The simple elegance of thoughtful traditional design is recreated in the construction of a high quality leather racer glove. The one piece sections of 1mm thick cowhide leather, shaped and stitched together using Kevlar thread have a bonded nylon liner to improve the comfort and practicality of traditional grade leather.

Specification

- Cowhide
- Through dyed
- 1mm thick leather.

Sizing: Unisex Racer Glove – Black
 450301XS 450301S 450301M 450301L 450301XL 450301XXL 450301XXXL

Features



YKK zips.



Double thickness on palm.



Kevlar thread throughout.



Single piece construction.



Bonded nylon liner.

Davida Touring Glove



A full length, super soft leather glove designed specifically to cope with the mainly mild conditions between spring and autumn but where the occasional drop in temperature and showery conditions demand additional protection. Hands are kept dry with a fully waterproof and breathable Porelle® membrane. To protect against wind chill but to also minimise bulk only the back of the hands and fingers have a thermal layer.

In addition a high wicking nylon liner actively removes sweat away from the skin and out through the naturally breathable leather. Keeping hands drier on the inside of the glove provides additional and effective wind chill protection. Kevlar thread throughout for maximum durability.

Specification

- Cowhide
- Through dyed
- Kevlar thread throughout
- Thermal layer
- Porelle® fully waterproof & breathable membrane made in the UK.

Sizing:

Unisex Touring Glove – Black

450401XS 450401S 450401M 450401L 450401XL 450401XXL 450401XXXL

Features



Velcro cuff closure & elasticated wrist.



Reinforced twist grip area of palm, thumb & index finger.



Visor wipe on both index fingers.



Bonded Nylon lining for better wicking and wind chill protection.

Davida Winter Glove



A full length, super soft leather glove, designed with articulated fingers and knuckle expansion joints to retain full dexterity but with all the foul weather features required to give adequate protection in winter. Incorporating a high performance Thinsulate™ thermal layer throughout with a fully waterproof and breathable Porelle® membrane, provides a tried and tested combination to protect against cold and wet weather conditions.

In addition a high wicking bonded nylon liner actively removes sweat away from the skin and out through the naturally breathable leather. Keeping hands drier on the inside of the glove provides additional and effective wind chill protection. Kevlar thread throughout for maximum durability.

Specification

- Cowhide
- Through dyed
- Kevlar thread throughout
- Full Thinsulate™ thermal layer
- Porelle® fully breathable & waterproof membrane made in UK.

Sizing:

Unisex Winter Glove – Black

450501XS 450501S 450501M 450501L 450501XL 450501XXL 450501XXXL

Features



Velcro cuff closure.



Fully secured storm cuff with Velcro wrist closure and YKK zip.



Articulated fingers with expansion panels at joints.



Reinforced at twist grip area of palm, thumb & index finger.



Insulating padding over knuckles.



Bonded nylon lining for better wicking and wind chill protection.







Fid the Lid

David Fiddaman, charismatic frontman of British helmet maker Davida leads us on a tour of his favourite Welsh roads, ending up at the Merseyside factory where they make crash helmets

By Hugo Wilson **Photography** Chippy Wood





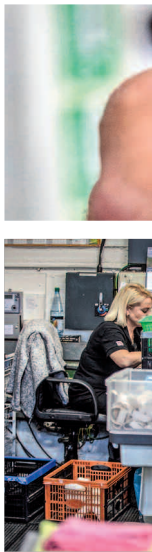
» Glassfibre shells are made to Davidas exacting standards in Europe. They're prepared, primed and flatted down ready for paint finish



'How to make a helmet'

Davida are about way more than style. Their helmets look great, are made beautifully and hit every safety mark. Here's how...

Words Hugo Wilson Pics Chippy Wood



» Rack 'em up. Painted shells ready to have liners and trim fitted



» Paintshop manager Martin has spent 28 years working on intricate designs at Davida



» Jazz senior spray man in the booth



» It takes a square metre of leather to make a quilted leather lining



» There are no vinyl stickers or water transfers on a Davida lid. Complex designs might involve the shell being hand masked and sprayed upto five times



» ACU gold sticker certifies Jet for track use



» Louise (left) and Lynne creating quilted leather interiors, straps and goggle strap retainers



» No automation in the assembly room, but plenty of hands and years of experience. In the foreground (left to right) Pete, Brian and production manager John

» The finished items: basic V3 starts at £289, up to £399 for the fanciest paint jobs



DAVID FIDDAMAN IS not your typical motorcycle industry executive. There's no branded polo shirt, hair gel or flash car. Instead, you get an unruly mane of blonde, black leather and beads, and a matt black Suzuki Hayabusa.

He might look like a hippy, but for thirty years he's been running a global business. Davida are now the only people making helmets in the UK. Their brand is famous around the world and they've just launched a new V3 version of their Speedster open face helmet.

'Here, put this on,' commands Fiddy in a light Liverpoolian accent as we meet up at Lake Vyrnwy in North Wales. He's clearly unimpressed with the idea of riding with someone in a mass produced full-face, so he's brought along a new helmet for me to wear. It is made to Davida's usual impeccable standards. The paint on the glassfibre shell is deep, the leather lining is luxurious, the stitching perfect. And it fits beautifully.

We've been talking about riding together in Wales for a long time. I first encountered Fiddy in March 1985 at a bar in Daytona during Speed Week. Since then we've met up at bike shows, race paddocks and bars all across Europe. Sometimes by design, usually by chance, but it's always a pleasure that can lead to unexpected situations. He likes a party.

It's a grey day, but there's no rain. I'm riding a Yamaha MT-10. David's on his distinctive matt black 'Busa. 'I bought it in 2006 and it's now done 58,000 miles,' he says. 'It's a K6 model that cost £6500. A week after I got it I took it to the paint shop and told them to paint it matt black. They were horrified. All my bikes end up matt black. I've got a 70,000 mile BMW R1100GS. That's matt black.'

Coming from Liverpool, Wales is Fiddy's back yard. At Lake Vyrnwy we're just 80

miles and an hour and a half from the Davida factory. 'It's been a good training ground for me. I never look at the weather forecast. Riding in all weathers is the safest thing in my opinion,' he says. 'Sometimes I head down the coast road to get to the mountains quickly. The Llanberis area and Ogwen valley are great, but it's all good. Just look at the map and follow your nose.'

We roll down the driveway out of the Lake Vyrnwy Hotel and across the reservoir dam. The MT-10's fuel light is flashing, the gauge having gone from full to empty in the final 30 miles of last night's ride over here from Peterborough. But surely there's enough gas in the tank to get us over the hill to the petrol station at Bala.

No there isn't. The MT-10 splutters and dies. I wiggle the bike between my legs, press the starter, it runs for another quarter of a mile. 'I'll sort it,' offers Fiddy without reproach, and the 'Busa disappears round a bend. We're in the middle of nowhere, but 20 minutes later he's back with a full container. 'I borrowed it from the workmen down the road.' No one can resist the Fid in full blag mode.

On 'borrowed' fuel we cruise along the B4393 along the west side of Lake Vyrnwy, then onto even tighter tarmac over the hills. We drop down to Llanymawddwy, then double back toward Bala. These nadgery roads aren't ideal for either bike, but with massive power and torque, at least you don't need to change gear much.

After filling up the bikes we stop at Caffir Cyfnod on Bala High Street for cappuccinos and cake, where staff and locals chat in Welsh. Bala is touristy, but on a weekday there are no other bikes here.

Fiddy settles down with his coffee to explain the serious business of making serious products. 'We're probably the smallest certified helmet company in the world,' he says. 'We're only 17 people but we have to pay the same amount in tooling

**Above: Temporarily wishing they both had branded polo shirts and a nice, new Range Rover
Right: The birds are singing, the reservoir is busy being a reservoir, all good, until the editor runs out of petrol**



'The fuel light is flashing. The MT-10 splutters and dies. We're in the middle of nowhere. 20 minutes later Fiddy's back with a container'



Ooooooooooh,
Cappuccinos
is it now, see?

and testing as the big producers such as Arai or Shoei. So every Davida carries more testing and tooling costs, but they're still competitively priced.'

How's that sustainable? He laughs. 'We don't take much out. I'm the managing director of an international company and my transport is a 10-year-old Hayabusa. I drive past people in the traffic in their new Range Rovers, I want to tap on the window and ask, "What do you actually do?"'

A crash helmet is a complicated thing, and making helmets is a complicated

business. Davida's glassfibre shells and polystyrene liners are made to very precise specifications in Europe. The labour intensive processes of assembly, painting and trimming are done on Merseyside.

And of course, because this is a safety product there's a huge responsibility. 'If you thought about it too hard you'd never do it,' says David, 'But if an accident does happen you've got to know that you made the best possible helmet, and you have to be able to prove that you've got absolutely stringent processes in place. Everything we do is audited and traceable and the company is run to really strict ISO (International Organisation for Standardisation) standards.'

'Our helmets are independently tested at the TUV in Cologne, and to DoT standards in Italy. We send a random sample from every batch of helmets. The lab test is £2500 before you've had a cappuccino. For a small maker that's a big overhead cost.'

There's a sense that the current trend for retro and custom style crash helmets has

And only fifty percent with their eyes shut for the team photo



finally caught up with Davida, but Fiddy is adamant that making helmets isn't some kind of artisan activity. 'You can't do this in a shed. You need a factory.'

Though he did start out in his mum's garage. 'In 1974-75 I was doing an engineering apprenticeship, and I knew a guy who was an instrument technician for BNFL. We needed vacuum gauges to balance the carbs on our bikes, so we just made them in my mum's garage. Then we started selling them to bike shops. Then we started selling them to Honda. Amazing.'

From there they progressed to box section swingarms. 'I had a Kawasaki Z1B, and I wanted it to handle, so I made a box section swingarm. We made thousands.'

Fiddy has always had a wider view of the world. 'I went to Le Mans for the Bol d'Or on a Honda 500 in 1974. It was amazing. Mad. And I've been going abroad as much as I can ever since. The Davida Moto idea (for the name of the company) was really inspired by those trips.'

'In 1982 I rode to the Cologne Show on my Yamaha XT500, and I thought we should be there. In 1983 I went to the Italian show for the first time. I wanted Davida to be international.' At the drop of a hat he'll fly over to Europe to spend the weekend at a bike show socialising, coming back with fresh tales of Finnish chop builders or French café racers. And more

'On a weekday morning there's not much traffic. This is scenery worth taking a day off for'

images to add to his extraordinary and ongoing photographic project.

The first Davida pudding bowl crash helmet was made in 1983. 'I liked the look of them but you couldn't buy them then, so I made them for myself.' The worldwide interest in classic bikes created a demand so they were added to the Davida range.

They still make those old style helmets, but are careful about how they're sold. 'We lay it on – they're actually anti-sell. They're legal for sidecar passengers and off-road use only. At a show stand we don't push them. If someone wants one they can have one, but we don't really sell them. It's the old guys that want them. The young ones go "oooh its not got a safety standard."'

He is absolutely pushing the Jet style open face lids though. 'I love wearing an open face, I've done an indicated 190 on an autobahn wearing one of our helmets and it's absolutely calm. It's quiet, and there's no lift. Come on, lets go...'

From Bala we sweep west on the A4214, then up and onto the moors on the B4391 towards Llan Ffestiniog, back on the B4407 to Pentrefoelas. Big open scenery, big visibility, dry tarmac and only the mild concern about wandering sheep. On a weekday morning there's not much traffic. It's worth taking a day off for.

The conversation concludes back at Birkenhead, in the nondescript building that houses Britain's helmet manufacturer. 'We made the first Jet in 2000. We wanted to make the quietest, most comfortable helmet, which did not lift at speed. 17 years down the line its design has never been bettered by any other manufacturer.'

So why the new one? 'The Jet wasn't designed to be low profile, but there was demand for low profile helmets. We do a couple of low profile jets that are road legal in the UK and Scandinavia, but we wanted to make a jet legal for Europe and the USA.'

So the V3 Speedster is a low profile helmet that meets all of the legal requirements in Europe and the USA. It looks similar to the old helmet, but it's a completely different animal. This is where you need clever people and years of experience to get the liner and the shell working perfectly together.

As Fiddy observes, 'Everyone can survive a skull fracture. It's the wobbly bit inside that's the problem.' **BIKE**



RACERS

Passionate about classic bike racing we believe it is vitally important to celebrate our racing heritage by keeping race track helmet art alive.

The 1996 Centennial TT in Assen inspired us to recreate the racing designs of 17 world Champions from the 50's and 60's.



Bill Swallow, Olivers Mount, 2004. © Fid The Lid.

Bill Swallow IOM T.T. Ace and Classic Bike Racer.

"I always reckoned I rode harder in an open face and goggles-you can get your head down. My Davida Jet is so comfortable, more flexible... the lightness and mobility of the Davida Jet and Goggle combination allowed me to get around the bends faster."



Ian Bain

Thirty times British Historic Championship Winner & 2010 Goodwood Revival Winner.

"Yes we are racers but first and foremost we are enthusiasts of the halcyon era of British motorcycling. Modern attire is strictly for the race track, for every other aspect we strive for authenticity. Owning a Davida Jet is a statement, it represents a modern link to the ethics of design and manufacture of the era we strive to re-create."

"My Davida Jet, like my Manx Norton, built to last, fits like a glove."



Charlie Williams

Nine IOM T.T. victories between 1971-1980. Classic T.T. and Lansdowne Series Racer.

"I'd forgotten the freedom given by a Jet style helmet, especially one as comfortable, quiet and as well constructed as my Davida - and all hand made in England by English craftsmen! An all English designed and manufactured helmet, exuding quality, I love my Davida."

The Davida Jet ACU approved is our tribute to the golden age of racing.

Our ACU Gold Davida Jet has carried the racing colours of classic bike racers such as Bill Swallow, 1st in the Classic Manx GP on a 350cc Honda in 1986, he has since won 8 more and is the race record holder in the 350cc class. He is still the fastest person ever on the TT Course on 250/350 and 500cc single cylinder bikes.

The Lansdowne Cup is a unique and 'pure' classic bike racing experience that's as competitive and exciting as any racing past or present. Racers include some of the most successful TT competitors such as Charlie Williams lifelong enthusiasts Ian Bain and Duncan Fitchett.

Racing Series Colourways:

Designs are representative of one original example worn by each racer. Whilst every effort is made to accurately reproduce designs shown, small variations can be expected. Davida reserve the right to modify designs without notification.



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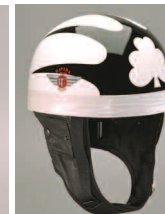
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