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Strohofer Event Camping was busy again during the Custom Nationals Show



Us-Cars and Hot Rods were presented on both days "live" on stage...



SHOWTIME!



The “Strohofer Evet Hall” packed with 180+ outstanding custom built and handcrafted motorcycles. Team members worked two days and nights to convert the hall into a scenic setting for the expected hi-end motorcycle show that featured everything from 50 cc mopeds to antique and Youngtimer classics and one-off handcrafted American V-Twins of all styles and variations! Custom Nationals offered something for every custombike enthusiast!



MILD to WILD!

There were many bikes “on show” that may not have made it into the trophy ranks, but nevertheless were spectacular in style and design. Gietl Bikes “El Solitario” converts a 1977 Shovelhead into a hardtail frame “Antique Style” beauty which makes full use of Gietl’s sophisticated “Patina Kit”. Fully “weathered” and “rusty” paintjob adds to the authentic Bobber look that features many handcrafted parts and a leaf spring fork.



CRAZY BIKE!



The "Special Awards" of Custom Nationals are intended for outstanding performances in all form of technology, craftsmanship and design. Marc Arnoldy from Dudelange/Luxembourg scratchbuilt this fully functioning trike around an antique 800 cc single cylinder stationary Deutz motor. Original from the Deutz/Cologne motor factory likely belt driving the machines in a old workshop sometimes during the early 20th century! "Crazy Bike" was one of two "Special Awards" handed out at 2025 Custom Nationals.

KUWAIT TURBO!

The custombike that may have travelled the longest way to Geiselwind came from Kuwait! Nedz Designs is no stranger to European events and his turbo-charged air-suspended lowrider is very much handcrafted from a 2013 Twin Cam Softail. The superb custom did tour Europe for several shows – winning many titles and trophies – and will return to Kuwait after European Bike Week in Faak/Austria 2025.

Custom & Classic Showcase!



The concept of Custom Nationals was to give motorcycle enthusiasts a showcase to present their craftsmanship and creativity along with some of the most iconic motorcycles of the past 125 years. Mild to wild, motorcycles of all brands and countries, no limits for creativity and designs that have made history united in one hall. Mission accomplished!

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US-Car Weekend!



Outside the Strohofer Event Hall, hundreds of US-Cars from all over Franconia arrive for the outdoor part of the event which here follows the tradition of the "Bike and Music Weekend and "Street Magazine Nationals Shows", held in different locations for more than 35 year. Long-time Street Magazine publisher and US-car specialist Otto Meyer-Spelbrink hosted the presentations for two days and introduced selected highlights.



Both days saw a relaxed outdoor program that attracted more than 4000+ visitors for the two day Custom Nationals. Warm and sunny August weather, especially on Saturday, made a lot of visitors relaxing outdoors and watch the “parade” of US-Cars and Hot Rods on the outdoor stage, interrupted only by live music acts that served the two outdoor stages both days and nights. Several Dragster teams displayed their racers at the show, with the occasional rumble of an engine warm-up for the crowd.

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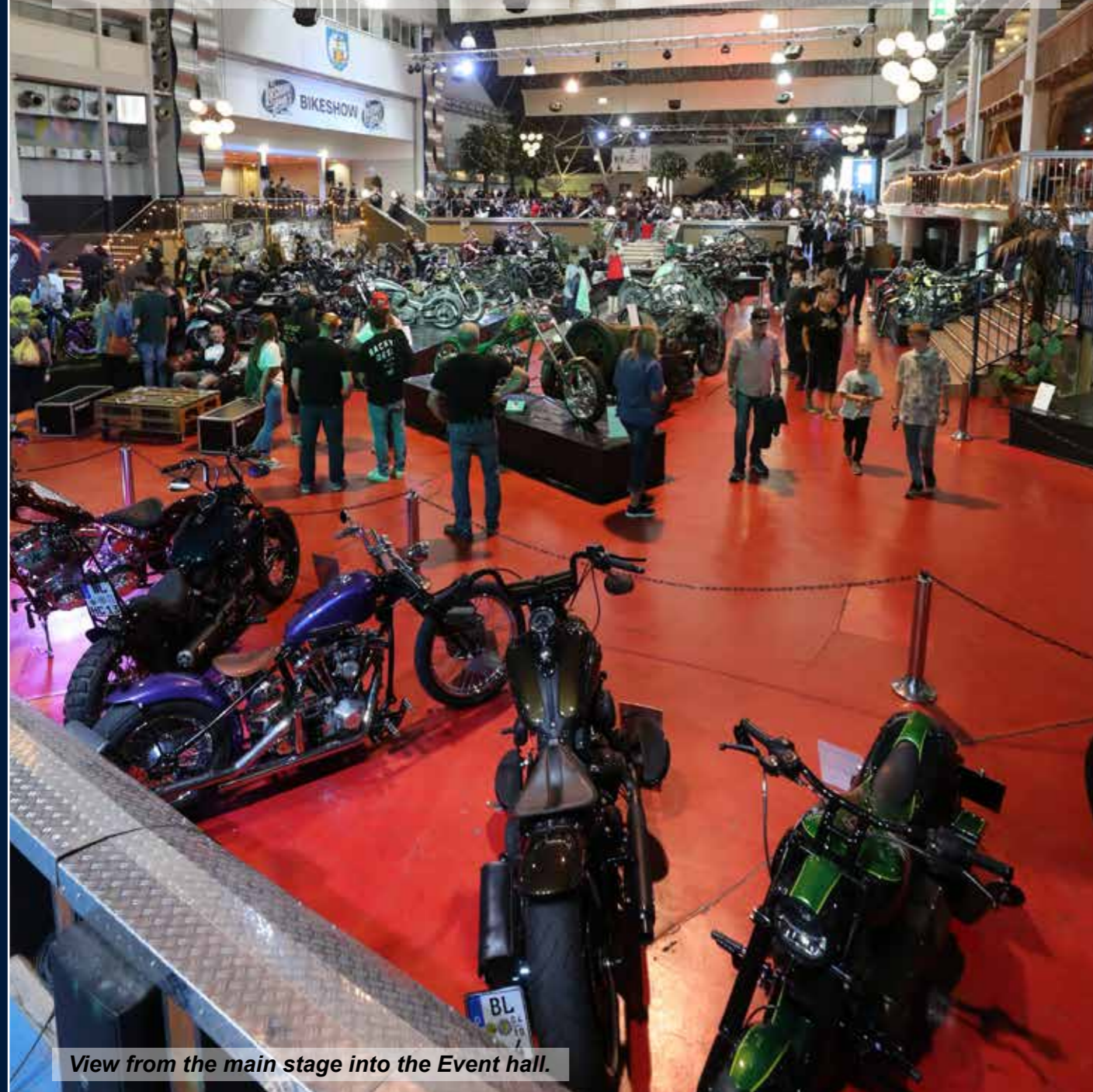
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The jury from the "Customizers East" had a tough job to perform in very little time.



The main organizers from the Knight Riders worked hard for the CN Show!



View from the main stage into the Event hall.



The Strohofer Event Hall, converted to Custom Nationals bike show hall in less than two days and nights, gave the first event a superb setting to present some of Europe's most radical Custombikes.

"Showtime" for Germany – and the neighboring countries! in a 200+ Custombike & Classic Motorcycle Show, the "Custom Nationals" Geiselwind premiered with a massive participation of outstanding custombikes and rare classic and antique motorcycles. The new concept on the traditional date

and location of former "Bike & Music Weekend" in Geiselwind/Franconia/Germany started with massive participation especially of the South German Customizers, many of which have a 40+ years history in Franconia since American GI's introduced Harley-Davidson's to Franconia and Bavaria during

the "Cold War". Other German top-names joined in as well as a number of high-end international customizers, even as far away as Kuwait! The first "Custom Nationals" started with a impressive number of bikes in a superb prepared event hall – all for the builders and customizers: A show of excellence!

Bike presentations be Frank Sander continued two days.

Visit from Kuwait!





The new "official" HD Stuntbike of Chris Lietsch.



2nd in Café Racer, this performance style K 100 is a perfect example of how high the standard was in most classes of the 16 different categories of the Custom Nationals bike show!

With more than 25 years experience in organizing excellent 60-100 competitor bikeshows as part of the legendary "Bike and Music Weekend" at the Autohof Strohofer in Geiselwind it still was a challenge to change the concept and direction of the established event. But the network of Franconian Customizers

and motorcycle specialists, plus the superb reputation of the previous events did work to kickstart the new event in "high gear": Of 208 entries that signed in, 180 showed up at the event and several "no show" bikes present pushed the number of attending custombikes and classics well beyond 210. The

new class definition gave customizers multiple chances to enter their bikes in a class that would serve the particular bike style and theme. With the rise of Indian Motorcycles it was also essential to integrate the rising number of Indian custombikes into the class definition, which at Custom Nationals is



Show winning Chicano by USM and "working" customizers were present inside the hall. Planned are more artists and exhibits.



done by the displacement barrier for US-origin motorcycles up to or beyond 1250 cc. Which is the displacement for modern Indian Scout and Sportster S, but also for pre-1978 Big Twins. Not to discuss that current US-Motorcycles for Europe are manufactured in Thailand and Poland...

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Consequently, the "Custom Classic / Vintage" class for all modified bikes, antique/classic/young-timers up to 1990 did also serve many "Old School" themed Harley-Davidsons even into the Evo-era – and saw the biggest number (30) of cool and high-end participants! US Bikes over 1250 cc (26), Radical (19), Custom (16) and US-Bikes up to 1250 (15) followed with strong and high-end fields by well established and international renowned customizers.

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Habermann Performance, USM/Indian Hannover, One Way Machines, Black Steel Choppers, Harley-Davidson Würzburg Village, Custom Wolf, Gietl Bikes entered some of their top-custom creations to different classes, competing with established long time Franconian pros and specialists like Siggis Psycho Cycles, Krawallrad, 7-Haar Bikes, Lucke Motorcycles, RRC, SSC, 318 Prowlers, AM-Bikes and numerous privateers who exhibited some outstanding custom creations and cool garage-built Bobbers and Choppers that can't be seen elsewhere – only at the Custom Nationals!

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All along from Luxembourg came a long-time exhibitor with a brandnew and wild ride riding machine: Crazy Bike: A "Deutz" 800 cc stationary motor Trike, custom-built by Marc

Arnoldy, was more up-to-date than most visitors realized: Stationary engines in electric cars seems to become all the rage again to drive generators that re-charge the batteries for extended range...

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An even longer distance came another international entry, current-



Not planned: A little bit of "old spirit" at the outdoor eventsite: Chris Lietsch, new "Official Harley-Davidson Stuntman" burned some rubber.

ly touring the European bikeshows: NEDZ Designz from Kuwait created a super-radical 2013 Twin Cam Softail featuring Trask turbo system, air suspension and a unique paintjob that is hard to photograph due to "glowing" particles that make the paint light up in sunshine. The competition in the "Radical" class

was particular tough and NEDZ only came 2nd to the one-off "Red Rooster" of Harley-Davidson Würzburg Village.

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While the indoor show kept the staff busy moving bikes – for the presentations by Frank Sander the introduced top bikes were rolled onto a special show stage which also served for the top position trophy ceremony – the US-Car meeting outdoors presented the 4-wheel highlights on the outdoor stage, hosted by US-Car specialist Otto Meyer-Spelbrink who has organized such events for 35+ years. The weather played along on both days and especially Saturday saw a warm and sunny outdoor event with lots of visitors. Autohof Strohofer is situated on one of the main traffic routes, the A3 from Frankfurt to Munich, so a stop for a day visit of this extraordinary assembly of superb custombikes was an option for many visitors en route to or from holidays...

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Live Music and party late into the night was going on both nights on the outdoor stages – including the "old" bikeshow location just outside the Event Hall. Manfred Strohofer and the Knight Riders team were satisfied with the event: "I never had such a relaxed weekend in the past years", stated Strohofer for the records. Next years event is already in the planning and the team is looking to welcome more international exhibitors and visitors. Available indoor show capacity is an estimated 220 motorcycles – but to handle that number in a 2-day event will be a challenge that can only be handled by an experienced team – the Custom Nationals crew is ready for the tasks ahead!

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CUSTOM NATIONALS 2025 BIKE BIKE SHOW RESULTS

BEST OF SHOW

Red Rooster, 1918 „J“ based fully handcrafted, Harley-Davidson Würzburg Village, Germany

1. Scooter & Junior Bikes

- #1 Simson „Schwalbe“ customized, Marc Recknagel, Germany
- #2 Honda CB 125, Niklas Sonnleitner, Germany

2. Ratbikes

- #1 Suzuki VS 1400 „Intruder“ Ratbike, Michael Schulze, Germany
- #2 1992 Yamaha V-Max Rat, Thomas Gamm, Germany

3. Classic / Vintage (all STOCK bikes, antique/classic/youngtimers, up to 1990)

- #1 1916 Triumph Model H „The Trusty“, Thomas Niemann, Germany
- #2 1980 Suzuki GS 1000, Frank Röhlich, Germany

4. Custom Classic / Vintage (all modified bikes, antique/classic/youngtimers, up to 1990)

- #1 1969 Harley-Davidson „Ironhead“ Chopper, Sebastian Gartner, Germany
- #2 1950 FL with Shovel-Motor; Piero Rathenow, Germany

5. Custom Sidecar Bikes (all motorcycles with sidecars)

- #1 2008 Custom Sidecar Chopper, Habermann Performance, Germany
- #2 „Miss Doublesix“ 2011 Softail BobberSidecar, Thomas Jaedicke, Double Six Motorcycles, Germany

6. Clubstyle (all Clubstyle bikes)

- #1 Comic Art ST, 2024 Lowrider ST, Esther Heipek, Germany
- #2 2013 Dyna Street Bob Clubstyle, HH-Damm, Germany

7. Café Racer (all brands, Café Racer style)

- #1 VT-Café, Honda VT 600 Café Racer, Alexander Maier, AM-Bikes, Germany
- #2 K100RS Café Racer, Kai Hamacher, Germany

8. Custom Touring (all Touring bikes featuring bags in stock version)

- #1 2002 Road Glide Bagger, Marc Recknagel, Germany
- #2 2022 Lowrider ST Performance, Stefan Geisler, Germany

9. Custom Streetbikes (all modified „Naked Bikes“)

- #1 Black Lightning, Buell X1, Habermann Performance, Germany
- #2 1978 Kawasaki Z 750 B „Dirt Track“, Daniel Kraus, Germany

10. Streetfighter (all Streetfighter type bikes, all brands)

- #1 GIA-Hayabusa Special Fighter, Custom Wolf, Germany
- #2 MARTEK Special Fighter, Stefan Knorr, Germany

11. Custom Sportbike (all modified Sportbikes feat. fairings)

- #1 Yamaha, R1 RN32 Racing, André Voll, Germany
- #2 Suzuki Hayabusa Dragbike, Ina & Horst Schoeck

12. Custom Metric Cruiser (all Cruiser/Chopper/Custombikes,

- #1 Honda VT 600 Bobber/ASC BT 21, ASC Custombikes, Germany
- #2 1978 Yamaha XS 650 „Chopped“, Oliver Steffen, Germany

13. US Bikes - up to 1250 cc (all customized US bikes, Harley, Indian, Victory and others, displacement lower than 1250 cc)

- #1 UNIKAT, Indian Sport Scout 1250, USM/Indian Hannover, Florian Pfante, Germany
- #2 1952 Panhead Chopper, Andreas La Rosa, Germany

14. US Bikes - 1250-up cc (all custom Harley, Indian, Victory and others, Big Twin or V8 powered, displacement OVER 1250 cc)

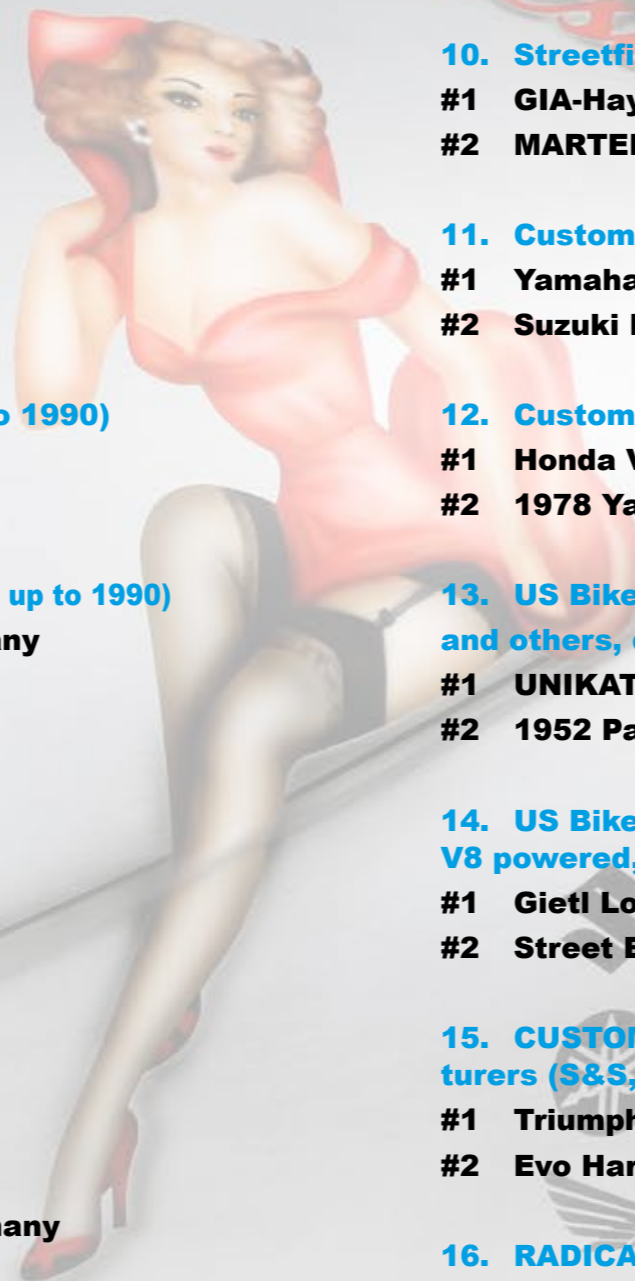
- #1 Gietl Lowrider on 2002 Softail TC base, Christian Gietl, Germany
- #2 Street Bob 113 Custom, One Way Machines, Julian von Oheimb, Germany

15. CUSTOM (all bikes with frame modifications or engines of different manufacturers (S&S, Ultima, RevTech, Japanese & European engines in Custom-frames)

- #1 Triumph Dragbike140, Matthias Seidl, Germany
- #2 Evo Hardtail Chopper, Mean Machines, Hagen Pallmann, Germany

16. RADICAL Custom Bikes (completely radical and built from scratch)

- #1 Red Rooster, 1918 „J“ based fully handcrafted, Harley-Davidson Würzburg Village, Germany
- #2 Radical NEDZ, 2013 Softail, NEDZ Designz, Kuwait



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#1 Red Rooster

BEST OF SHOW RADICAL



by Harley-Davidson
Würzburg Village

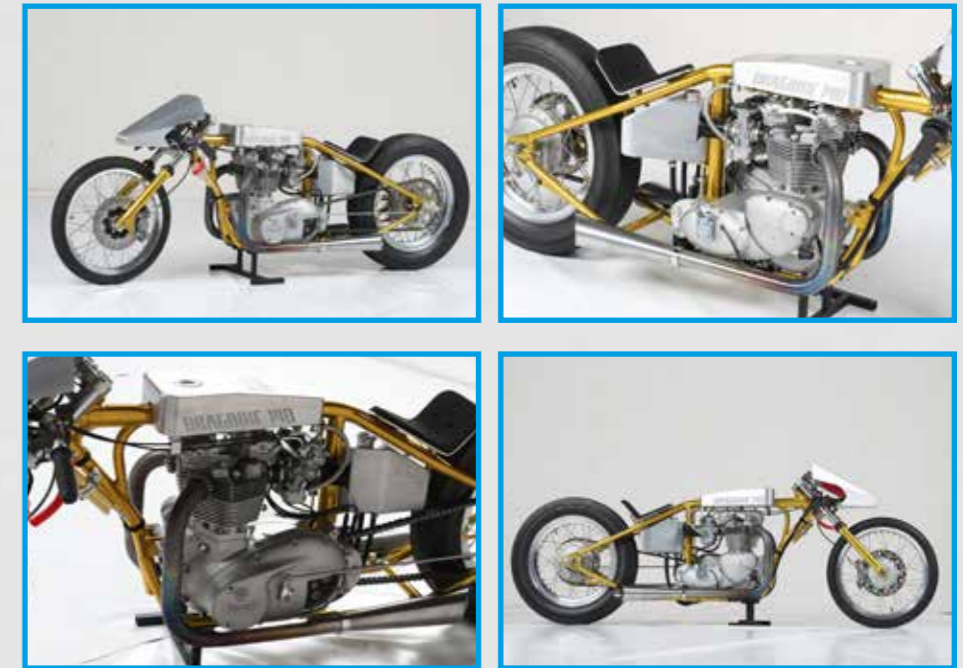


Built from October 2019 on to compete in the 2020 Custom Show Emirates Bike Build Off, Harley-Davidson Würzburg's "Red Rooster" finally got the honors it deserved: Best Radical and "Best of Show" against tough competition for a rolling piece of art. The "Digger Style" handcrafted and gold plated bike is powered by a 1918 Model J IoE motor. (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)

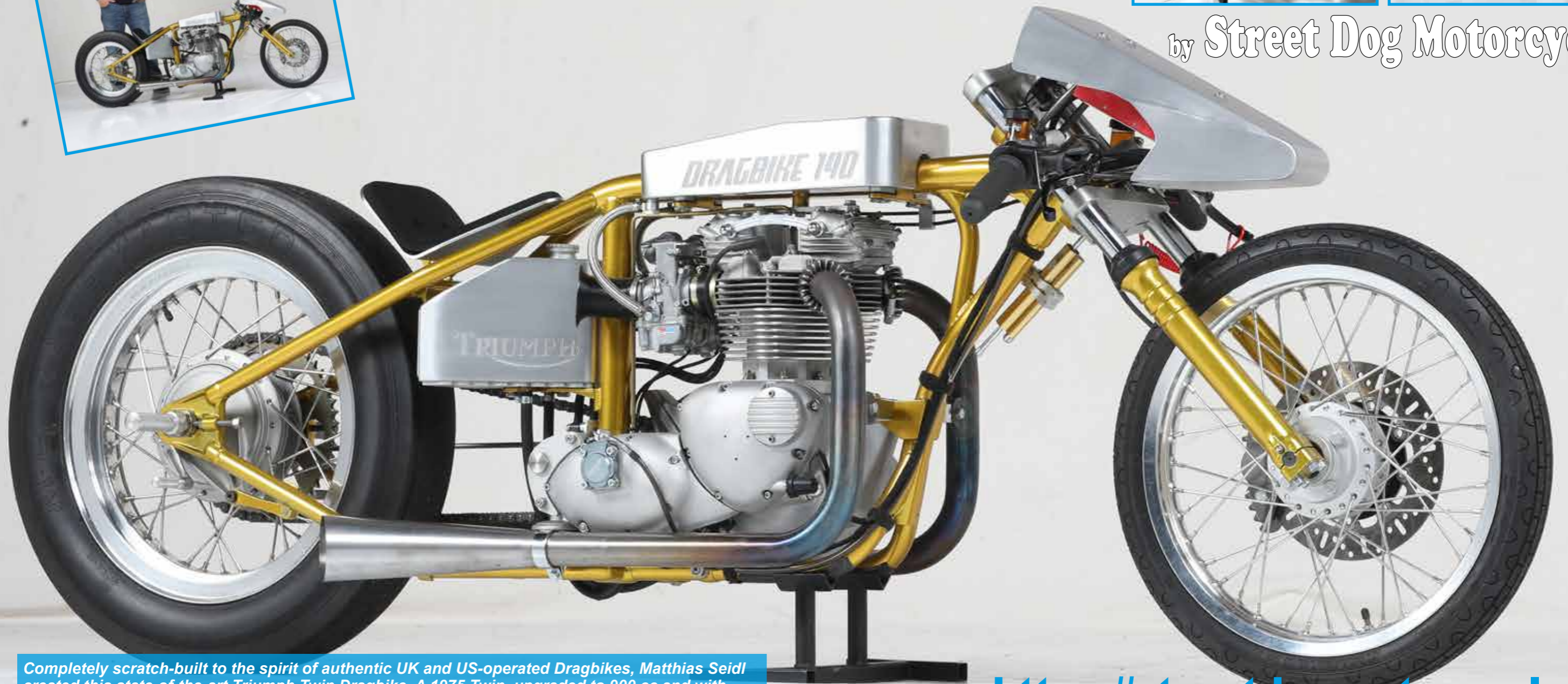
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#1 **CUSTOM DRAGBIKE 140**



by **Street Dog Motorcycles**



Completely scratch-built to the spirit of authentic UK and US-operated Dragbikes, Matthias Seidl created this state-of-the-art Triumph Twin Dragbike. A 1975 Twin, upgraded to 900 cc and with many "hot" racing parts is powering this super-clean Dragracer. Check out the blue pipes and you realize that this bike means business! (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)

<https://streetdogmotorcycle.de>

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#1

US BIKES 1250-UP cc Gietl Boardtracker



by Gietl Bikes



Well known for their outstanding "Old School" and retro-themed custombikes Gietl Bikes was founded in 1991 and since then created a huge number of innovative products for "Old School" enthusiasts. The "Boardtracker" style Lowrider is a perfect example for the outstanding skills of the Gietl team, planting a 2002 Twin Cam into a rigid frame. (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)

<https://gietl-bikes.de/>

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#1

US BIKES UP TO 1250 cc
UNIKAT!



by USM/Indian Hannover



Winner of the 2024 Custombike Biker Build Off, Best of Show Indian Riders Fest are just two of the titles for USM/ Indian of Hannover's radical Indian Scout which saw final assembly in Bad Salzuflen 2024! Cool "Iron Man" Look and many custom-made parts grant a real eye-catcher that is also fully rideable, as "Unikat" has proved at many events. (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)

www.usm-motorcycles.de

#1 CUSTOM METRIC CRUISER
Fat VT 600



by ASC Custombikes



Based in Baunatal near Kassel/Hessen, ASC Custombikes is specialized in modifying Honda's now iconic VT 600 into cool rideable and extreme Custombikes. How extreme can be seen in this Bobber/Chopper conversion using the classic 16-Inch "Fat Boy" disc wheels and ASC's frame modification to lower the Honda Soft-Chopper as low as possible. (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)

facebook.com/Hondavt600BobberChopper

#1 CUSTOM SPORTBIKE
Yamaha
R1 RN32



by André Voll

Since its introduction in 1997, Yamaha's YZF R1 is one of the most powerful Sportbikes on the market. The R32 version was introduced in 2014 and was a complete new bike with 200 hp at 13.500 rpm. André Voll upgraded his race version with many carbon and tuning parts, lowering the weight to 165 kg (!) race ready! (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)

#1 **STREETFIGHTER**
GIA Hayabusa



by Custom Wolf

Custom Wolf of Laaber/Bavaria is well known for radical custombikes, both in the Sportbike/Streetfighter segment and Dragstyle V-Twins. Based on the GIA aluminum frame, the Hayabusa motor features a fully programmable fuel injection, Ducati "Diavel" wheels and a lot of Custom Wolf handcrafted parts. (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)

www.custom-wolf.de

#1

CUSTOM STREETBIKES

Black Lightning

Buell X1



Even if the Buell "Lightning" X1 can now be considered "Yougtimers" (this is a 2001 model year base), they are popular to ride and to customize. Habermann-Performance entered their modified X1. (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)



by Habermann-Performance

www.habermann-performance.com

#1

CUSTOM TOURING

2002 Road Glide Bagger



by Marc Recknagel

facebook.com/p/The-Barber-Shop-Salon-Bad-Mergentheim

Marc Recknagel aka "American Barber" is not just famous for his dayjob: He also has quite a collection of cool US-Cars and motorcycles. His 2002 "Road Glide" is re-styled to a wild "Chicano Style" look, installing apehanger handlebar, 26" spoke front wheel and air suspension. Add lots of chrome to engine and drive train and you have a genuine Chicano rider! (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)

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#1 **CAFÉ RACER**
VT-Café



by **AM Bikes**



Alexander Meier had one of the shortest way to exhibit at Custom Nationals: Iphofen is less than 20 km from Geiselwind. A specialist for customizing Honda VT 600 Soft Choppers, AM-Bikes has already converted many VT's – this a 1998 (!) model year – into cool rides like this VT 600 Café Racer which still uses the VT 600 frame and engine! (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)

<http://am-bikes.com>

#1

CLUBSTYLE Clubstyle

Lowrider ST



by Esther Heipek

Customized by Harley-Davidson Stuttgart Sued and painted in "Comic Style" by Art of Colors it took Esther Heipek quite some time to clean up her stylish ride, as she was riding it through the rain from some 250 km away! Not just the 2024 Lowrider ST is a rolling piece of art, helmet, shoes and "Harleygirl" Esther herself match the cool style. (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)

Insta: [Harleygirl3383](https://www.instagram.com/Harleygirl3383) / <https://tower-hd.de>

#1 **CUSTOM SIDECAR BIKES**
Habermann-Three



by Habermann-Performance

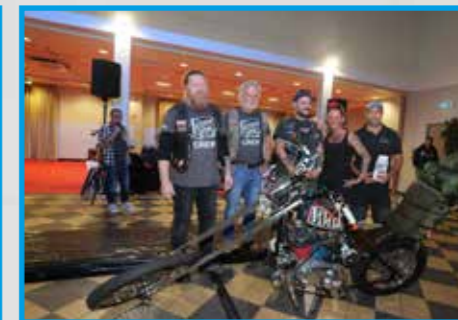


Known for their spectacular Hi-Necker Choppers and Dragstyle frames, Thomas Habermann also created this unique sidecar equipped Chopper with every part of the rolling chassis handcrafted to perfection! The sidecar is reminiscent of pre-war racecars, offering the lowest seat position of any Habermann creation. (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)

www.habermann-performance.com

#1

CUSTOM CLASSIC 1969 Harley-Davidson „Ironhead“ Chopper



by Sebastian Gartner

Sebastian Gartner's 1969 "Ironhead" rigid Chopper may look like it has when it won "Best of Show" at Bike and Music Weekend a few years back, but has another genuine "Harmann" girder fork installed since then. This is a "riding Chopper", not a showbike, and the owner is riding his 900 cc Sportster to events all over Europe – including Custom Nationals! (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)



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CLASSIC / VINTAGE

„The Trusty“ 1916 Triumph Model H

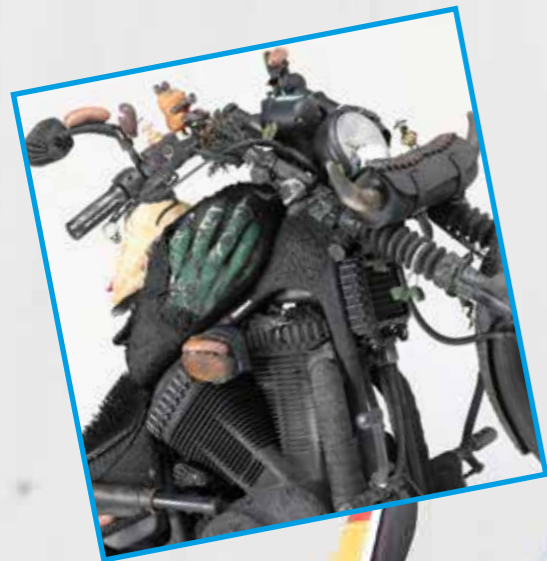


by Thomas Niemann



With 57.000 examples of the 550 cc Single Cylinder built from 1915 to 1923 the Model H was the standard dispatch motorcycle of the British Army in World War 1 with 30.000 units produced until November 1918. The 4 hp single cylinder sidevalve also served as civil version until it was replaced by modern and more powerful engine designs. (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)

#1 **RATBIKES**
Intruder Rat



by Michael Schulze

Ratbikes have a long tradition at Bike and Music Weekend bikeshows – and four “ratty rides” showed up at the first “Custom Nationals”! Michael Schulzes 1994 Suzuki Intruder not just features the complete Ratbike look but a fitting trailer too. Details are all over bike and trailer – and it isn’t easy to ride a Ratbike in Germany! Speed with a trailer behind a motorcycle is limited to 60 km/h!

#1 **SCOOTER & JUNIOR BIKES**
Schwalbe



by **Marc Recknagel**

Created by Simson Motorcycles, the "Schwalbe" was one of the "bread & butter" rides of the German Democratic Republic and became a cult bike after the re-unification in 1989. Marc Recknagel cleaned up his 1985 "Schwalbe" and hopped up the 50 cc motor with two-stroke race parts. The scooter is lowered and converted to single seater! (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)

#2 RADICAL



TOP: NEDZ outstanding handcrafted turbo Softtail came second in the very close fight for the "Radical" class and was one of the highlights of Custom Nationals 2025!
BOTTOM: Another tough competition, 2nd just by the narrowest of margins was Julian von Oheimb's spectacular "Street Bob" conversion to one of the "cleanest" bikes of the show!

#2 US BIKES - 1250-UP



#2 CUSTOM



TOP: Classic "West Coast" Evo-Chopper in rigid frame created by Hagen Pallmann won 2nd in the open "Custom Class". Many handcrafted parts and clean look got the attention. BOTTOM: Andreas La Rosa from Kitzingen rebuilt and chopped his 1952 FL "Panhead" from the ground up as it would be authentic in the sixties Outlaw B-movies. A wild ride for today's German roads!

#2 US BIKES - UP TO 1250



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#2 CUSTOM METRIC CRUISER



TOP: Based on a 1978 Yamaha XS 650 motor, Oliver Steffen implanted the iconic twin, polished to perfection, into a rigid frame and added plenty of Chopper parts. Kickstart only!
BOTTOM: One hard class to judge, the MARTEK-frame Special Fighter created by Stefan Knorr came a close second, but could also have scored in other classes! A high-end sportbike for a fast ride.

#2 STREETFIGHTER



#2 CUSTOM SPORTBIKE



TOP: A Street Dragster that also burns rubber on European Dragstrips: Suzuki Hayabusa Dragbike by Ina & Horst Schoeck. Turbo-charger and more add 500 (!) horsepower for the Quartermile!
BOTTOM: The 1978 Kawasaki Z 750 B Twin was a cool ride before it served as "LTD" Softchopper. Daniel Kraus converted his bike into an authentic „Dirt Track“ version with added performance!

#2 CUSTOM STREETBIKES



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#2 CUSTOM TOURING



TOP: Private built by Stefan Geisler and homologated by RR-Customizing, this 2022 Lowrider ST is a powerful Streetbike. Look might by close to the stock version, but there are a lot of additions!
BOTTOM: An early "Clubstyle" interpretation and what real MC club members were riding in the 2000 years was this 2013 "Dyna Street Bob" by HH-Damm, Germany. .

#2 CLUBSTYLE



#2 CAFÉ RACER



TOP: Modern Café Racer style with a interesting base: Kai Hamacher, Germany, created this unique ride from BMW's K100RS. You can see the extensive work to clean-out the frame!
BOTTOM: „Miss Doublesix“ 2011 Softail Bobber with Sidecar in "Air Force" look and fitting Pin-Up girl by Thomas Jaedicke, Double Six Motorcycles/Germany.

#2 CUSTOM SIDECAR BIKES



#2 CUSTOM CLASSIC / VINTAGE



TOP: A class with many top entries, Piero Rathenow won 2nd with his "chopped" 1950 FL, upgraded with a highly engraved Shovelhead-motor and kickstarter gearbox.
BOTTOM: Quite an unusual choice for a Ratbike, Thomas Gamm did choose Yamaha's 1992 V-Max for his Ratbike base. Not all black yet, but plenty of power and lots of handmade details.

#2 RATBIKES



#2 CLASSIC / VINTAGE



TOP: At the time of introduction in 1980, Suzuki's GS 1000 was a rather tame Sportbike. German craftsman Frank Röhlich of RF Biketech upgraded his bike to modern standards!
BOTTOM: Pretty much in stock condition, the 1972 Honda 125 of Niklas Sonnleitner now has 53 years on its counter and is still running!

#2 SCOOTER & JUNIOR BIKES



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CUSTOM WOLF DRAGSTYLE

Equipped with a RevTech V-Twin, this Custom Wolf Dragstyle features a Penz-made frame, Roland Sands wheels, Marzocchi fork with Custom-Wolf triple-trees, NH-Power primary and many Custom-Wolf handcrafted parts! The unique racing-themed paintjob was performed by Marcus Pfeil. (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)



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A "Garage built" project from the Bavarian Forest, Andreas Schafhauser created his very own "Old School" Bobber ride from a 1994 FLSTC, upgrading the electric to modern standards, Andrews cam and Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde "slip-on" exhaust system. The old Springer fork is equipped with modern 4-piston brake caliper to match the power of the Evo motor. (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)



One of the most interesting custom modifications was entered by the Habermann-Performance team members, result as a "one beer to much" discussion if it can be done? Obviously, with lots of GRP bodywork and simple VW motor bonnet lock and dampeners it was possible! A 1989 Electra-Glide served as base for the interesting project! (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)

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1954 Harley-Davidson Hummer ST 165

One of the entries from the superb Motorcycle Museum "PS Speicher" in Einbeck/Germany this 165 Harley-Davidson "Hummer" has been restored to better than new conditions! As a 1964 model year bike it also features the "50th Anniversary" badge on the front fender which did celebrate Harley-Davidson's anniversary that year. Check out the Museum Website for more classics and great motorcycles!
(FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)



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United Thunder

Competing in the "Radical" class, "Mean Machines" Benni Adler competed against tough competition! His super-clean rigid Evo Chopper offer a lot of great details which are only become visible at close distance! Almost no electric system visible and search for the oil tank! (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)



mean-machines.de

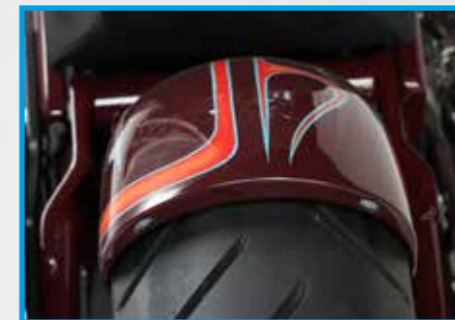
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Jesse James rides!

If it looks, rides and sounds like a Jesse James Chopper. But how to homologate a genuine 124 Cubic Inch West Coast Chopper for German roads? Christian Geis found RRC's Thomas Voll as the answer for this question and many parts had to be changed or modified for Europe. And check out the outstanding paint job!
(FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)



<https://r-r-customizing.de>



Another "Mean Machine" by Mean Machines Benni Adler who implanted an traditional Evo motor and drive train into a Santee Softail-style rolling chassis. A touch of "West Coast style" with 21 Inch front wheel and a fat looking 15 Inch tire at the rear. The rear fender is integrated with the swingarm, the tank is an old Victoria, a traditional German motorcycle manufacturer in Nürnberg from 1901 to 1966. (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)

mean-machines.de



Evo Customizing is on the rise, as this private built Evo Bobber is based on a 1986 FXST, W&W Cycles Springer fork, Kickstarter gearbox and Bobber style 16 Inch spoke wheels front and rear add to the look, as does the swingarm-mounted rear fender. Paintjob is a "weathered" US-Army design, created by H+M Wallner Lackdesign. (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)

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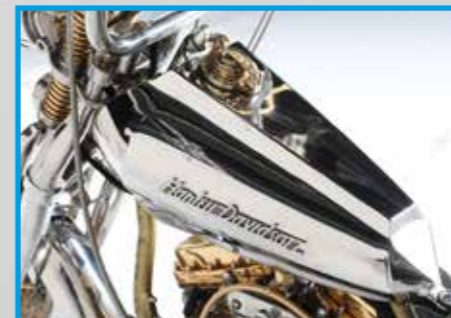
CUSTOM WOLF DRAGSTYLE



by
Harley-Davidson
Würzburg Village

“Comic Art Style” is a rather new paint design trend that has arrived from the Custom Car scene. Harley-Davidson Würzburg Village is using it for a stylish and eye-catching 2024 Street Bob custom featuring single side swingarm, HDVV tailend, seat and spoiler plus Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde exhaust system. Powered by a 131 Culnch Milwaukee Eight! (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)

www.HDWW.de



At Geiselwind, you can expect to see custombikes you may not see at any other event. Like this 1948 which is customized with homemade V4A stainless steel parts which are transforming the bike since 20 years, when Changiz Koshbakht started the project. Numerous parts are gold-plated, all stainless steel parts highly polished. And the transformation process is still continued. (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)



<https://art-of-ride.com>

BMW's of the Eighties are more and more in the focus of customizers. No matter if its the K 100 of all types or the Boxer models from 450 to 1000 cc. "Art of Ride" in Kaufbeuren is specialized in high-end BMW modifications. Alexander Sparing cleaned out this 1985 R 80 completely and only he knows where he placed battery and electric system! (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)

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El Solitario - Antique Style Shovelhead



by **Gietl Bikes**



One of the most spectacular bikes of the Custom Nationals, El Solitario just looks like a worn, used and mistreated Bobber from the 50ties and Sixties, but it's all illusion. A perfect weathered and rusty paintjob, added by Gietl Bikes famous "weathering kit" for the metal parts add up in this 1977 Shovel motor in a rigid frame. The leaf spring front end adds the distinctive "antique" touch. (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)

<https://gietl-bikes.de/>

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Chopped Evolution



Another "garage-built" Evo-Chopper – and Dominik Brunner's 1991 Evolution retains its FXTC frame converted to Springer fork. Many handcrafted or modified aftermarket components like Cole Foster tank and apehanger handlebar add up to a cool retro style Chopper, again with a "weathered" paintjob in "used" look. (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)

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Yamaha

XS 1100 Martini Special



A garage-find with only a few km on the counter, this 1979 Yamaha XS 1100 was discovered and exhibited by Thomas Voll of RR-Customizing! In perfect condition, the iconic and rare XS 1100 limited edition featured a special two-piece fairing with the windshield part moving with the handlebar while the headlight remains fixed to the frame. Still the stock paintjob and stock equipment. (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)



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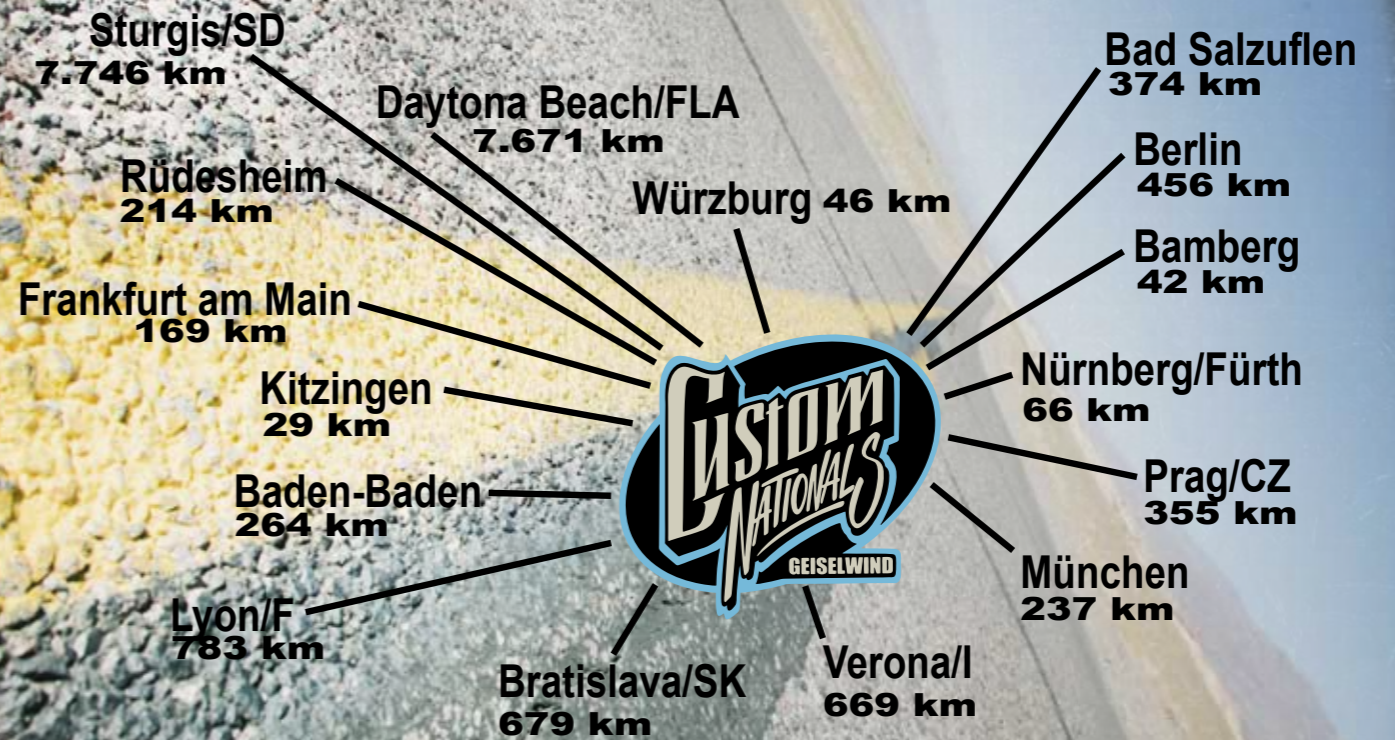
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2025 SHOW PART I



CUSTOM & CLASSIC BIKE SHOW INFO:

The „Custom Nationals“ bike show features 16 classes & special trophies (!). open to ALL motorcycles from scooters to radical custom and hand-crafted one-off motorcycles. The bikes will be exhibited and presented in a prestigious and cool atmosphere inside the famous Strohofer event and concert hall. Bikes accepted for the show can be unloaded from Thursday afternoon or on Friday morning – and should remain „on display“ until the official end of the event on Saturday evening. Bikeshow, photoshoots and trophy presentation will take place protected inside the Strohofer event hall.

PRE-SHOW:

After receipt of your electronic application, every participant will receive an electronic confirmation. If your bike is accepted for the show, we will send you an invitation by e-mail. This invitation includes FREE ACCESS to the event (weekend ticket) and a RESERVED EXHIBITION SPACE for your bike(s) in the event hall. Along with the invitation we will send you a data sheet on which you can describe all Tech Specs and modifications to your bike in detail.

Due to the Hall layout, only a limited amount of space is available for the bike show. Accordingly, the number of vehicles / classes is limited. We ask for your understanding in advance!

JUDGING & PRESENTATIONS:

Judging procedure: Friday night or Saturday morning, an customizing-experienced top jury will evaluate your stock and custombike creations. Throughout the weekend, Frank Sander will be presenting selected bikes during the show times in the event hall.

ARRIVAL, PHOTO SHOOT & SET-UP:

„Motographer“ Horst Rösler will take „entry pictures“ of all participants to the show and full portraits of „possible winners“ in the „Motographer“ photo studio.

So please come prepared: Arrival/unloading - cleaning - entry photoshoot (Bike/owner/builder) - placing of the bike inside the hall. Full bike feature shootings will be arranged/called in.

AMD APPROVED BIKE SHOW

The Bike Show is an “AMD approved“ bikeshow, as in continuation of the American Motorcycle Dealer World-Championships (www.amdchampionship.com). The winners will be presented both online and in the globally published AMD magazine. The awards ceremony and trophy presentation will take place on Saturday afternoon. The exact times will be announced on site.

<https://custom-nationals.de/bikeshow/>*

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CUSTOM & CLASSIC BIKE SHOW INFO 2025:

BIKESHOW TIMES:

Thursday, July 31st
9 am up Unloading of pre-registered Bikes, Entry Photoshoots and placement in the Event Hall

Friday, August 1st
8 am up Unloading of pre-registered Bikes, Entry Photoshoots and placement in the Event Hall
11 am up Event opens
TBD Bike Presentations by Frank Sander
TBD Judging
ALL DAY & NIGHT Fotoshootings by „Motographer“ Horst Roesler

Saturday August 2nd
10 am up Event opens
TBD Bike Presentations by Frank Sander
TBD TROPHY CEREMONY
AFTER TROPHY WINNER Fotoshootings by „Motographer“ Horst Roesler
ALL DAY & NIGHT Fotoshootings by „Motographer“ Horst Roesler

Sunday August 3rd
ALL MORNING No event
ALL MORNING Fotoshootings by „Motographer“ Horst Roesler
ALL MORNING Pick-up of bikes and departure

Re-loading and departure of the bikes optional after Trophy ceremony and WINNER Fotoshootings.

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2025 SHOW PART III

CUSTOM & CLASSIC BIKE SHOW INFO:

1. Scooter & Junior Bikes (all Scooters and Motorcycles up to 125 cc)
2. Ratbikes (all Ratbikes)
3. Classic / Vintage (all STOCK bikes, antique/classic/youngtimers, up to 1990)
4. Custom Classic / Vintage (all modified bikes, antique/classic/youngtimers, up to 1990)
5. Custom Sidecar Bikes (all motorcycles with sidecars)
6. Clubstyle (all Clubstyle bikes)
7. Café Racer (all brands, Café Racer style)
8. Custom Touring (all Touring bikes featuring bags in stock version)
9. Custom Streetbikes (all modified „Naked Bikes“)
10. Streetfighter (all Streetfighter type bikes, all brands)
11. Custom Sportbike (all modified Sportbikes feat. fairings)
12. Custom Metric Cruiser (all Cruiser/Chopper/Custombikes, NOT powered by US-made motor)
13. US Bikes - up to 1250 cc (all customized US bikes, Harley, Indian, Victory and others, displacement lower than 1250 cc)
14. US Bikes - 1250-up cc (all customized US bikes, Harley, Indian, Victory and others, Big Twin or V8 powered, displacement OVER 1250 cc)
15. CUSTOM (all bikes with frame modifications or engines of different manufacturers (S&S, Ultima, RevTech, Japanese & European engines in Custom-frames)
16. RADICAL Custom Bikes (completely radical and built from scratch)

SPECIAL AWARDS: TBD

SPECIAL NOTES (by Motographer): The final classification will be made by CN-Staff on arrival at the event. The organizers can and MUST refuse the entry of ANY bike which might be offensive or contradicting German law, in particular the visual presentation of III. Reich insignia or recently outlawed 1%er patches and logos. We will try to spot these signs on your images, but we wanted to give you this „caution advice“ in advance!

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MOTOGRAPHER Horst Rösler

The Benefit of two Dipl.-Ing. (FH) titles: Math doesn't lie!

180 Bikeshow Entries x
5 min/Bike Entry Shooting
= 900 min = 15 hrs STUDIOTIME



Motographer Horst Roesler was "on duty" to photograph the incoming Custombikes and the full "possible Winner" bikes in 16 classes! Following the motorcycle & custombike scene since 1976, the "Motographer" has been shooting and writing for numerous magazines worldwide. His various studio setups have been available since 1995, being the original "Motographer" for the first AMD World Championship in 2004 and organizer of the Custom Chrome International Bikeshow Series and European Championship in Mainz/Germany. With the Custom Nationals, only the "full set-up" did work to get the job done!

