

## TRIED & TESTED

MCN STAFF RATE THEIR RIDING KIT

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SIX MONTHS

**Shark Evojet £279.99**

# 'A flip-front, but not as you'd know it'

**Tested by Ali Silcox for six months, 1500 miles**

This has to be one of the strangest lids I've worn. It's a flip-front, but not as you'd know it. The visor doesn't open in the traditional sense, it forms part of the flip so, when the front of the lid is opened, the visor goes with it. It's two lids for the price of one. It's been dual-homologated to be worn as either a full-face lid or 'Jet'-style open-face. Like other Sharks I've worn, it's comfy and suits my head shape.

I've used it on both my BMW F900XR and Yamaha X-Max. Initially I wasn't so comfortable wearing it on the BMW, as it seemed rather draughty and quite loud. I realised that I need to ensure my neck tube and ear plugs are firmly in place. Then there's no issue.

I like the two-tone colourscheme – it's bold without being garish. The 'fog-free' visor is exactly that; it's never misted up, possibly aided by the well-placed vents. I also like the drop-down sun visor, which is easy to operate.

I do find it odd, however, when I'm riding in full-face mode that I can't lift the visor, particularly if I need a bit of air or to scratch my nose! I like it though.

**Quality ★★★★★**

**Value ★★★★★**

[www.nevis.uk.com](http://www.nevis.uk.com)

### PROS & CONS

- + Comfortable and well-priced
- Draughty and loud without earplugs



The Evojet is two lids in one, reckons our Alison



**OptiMate Lithium 4s**  
0.8A optimiser £62.99

## 'It brought my bike's battery back from brink'

**Tested by Emma Franklin for six months**



The OptiMate Lithium 4s optimiser is a charger, conditioner and maintainer that now sits permanently connected to my 2020 Honda Fireblade. In short, it's an essential purchase for any bike fitted with a LiFePO4 battery. It's really easy to use too, with no switches or buttons – just plug and play using the included weatherproof permanent cable (it also comes with crocodile connectors).

My bike's battery had been quite seriously discharged at one point, but the OptiMate managed to bring it back from the brink and keep it healthy. It's priced at the budget end for chargers of this type, but I can't see why you'd shell out any more on something else when this charger does the lot.

**Quality ★★★★★ Value ★★★★★**

[www.optimate.co.uk](http://www.optimate.co.uk)

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**AmmoPro .243 degreaser £10.50**

**Tested by Gareth Evans for six months**

I've been hugely impressed with this labour-saving fluid from AmmoPro. After a rear puncture on the Interceptor 650 in September I had the rear wheel off, so decided to give the chain and sprocket a spruce. It's so simple – just spray on, leave for five minutes and the muck slides off. Agitate with a brush and it's nearly perfect, with the remaining residue wiped away. You get a wine bottle's-worth in your order and the atomiser nozzle can be adjusted for a varying diameter of spray. It's brilliant.

**Quality ★★★★★ Value ★★★★★**

[www.ammoprobike.co.uk](http://www.ammoprobike.co.uk)



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