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Showtime in Metz 10th Anniversary!







Dragspeed is at Facebook: Jean-Francois Boutonnet

### DRAGSPED

Metz with his Jet-powered Quad – no doubt about that! The Kymco-based is equipped with yet another Fogua "Magister" Turbine, custom-upgraded with his hommade afterburner which is shooting spectacular flames out of the 2500 hp engine. Far from being a static display, he drifted the Quad at the end of the display line – and had to fix a flat tire due to a screw he "nailed" during the show!



Dragspeed Kymco Quad blasts off full afterburner!





urious Fire 2 is the two-wheeled Jet-vehicle in the huge collection of Donald Pottiers garage: The custom-built motorcycle frame also hosts a Fogua "Magister" Marboré II jet-engine with added "afterburner" to create fireballs behind the bike. As a matter of fact, the origin of the engine dates back into the fifties! The Fogua CM 170 itself dates back to 1952, so the jet engine is almost "antique" in age, but not in performance!

Furious Fire 2 on full afterburner day and night!



DUCKTEAM





Jet time for Furious Fire II



Jean-Francois Boutonnet is heating up the audience!

he last show on sunday, Donald had set up something special: Jet Bike and Jet Quad were blasting away their afterburners in opposite directions for one of the most spectacular sights of the weekend. Donald Pottier synchonized the "Jet Concert" by standing in the middle between the combined 5.000+ horsepower!



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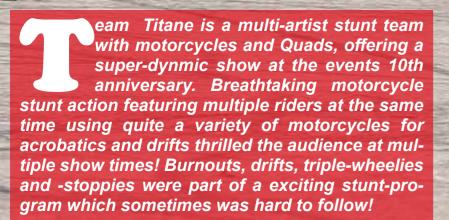


ne can't say that you don't see somethinng new in Metz. KIKANINAC is the name of a new and young SUPER-MOTO based Team which did present it's still developing show on Super Moto ravebikes that would also be race ready for any racetrack. Wheelies "over the top", burnouts, team acrobaticts, the team is "hubgry" for action, as could be seen in Metz. Of course, KIKANINAC can be found in the social media and youtube!









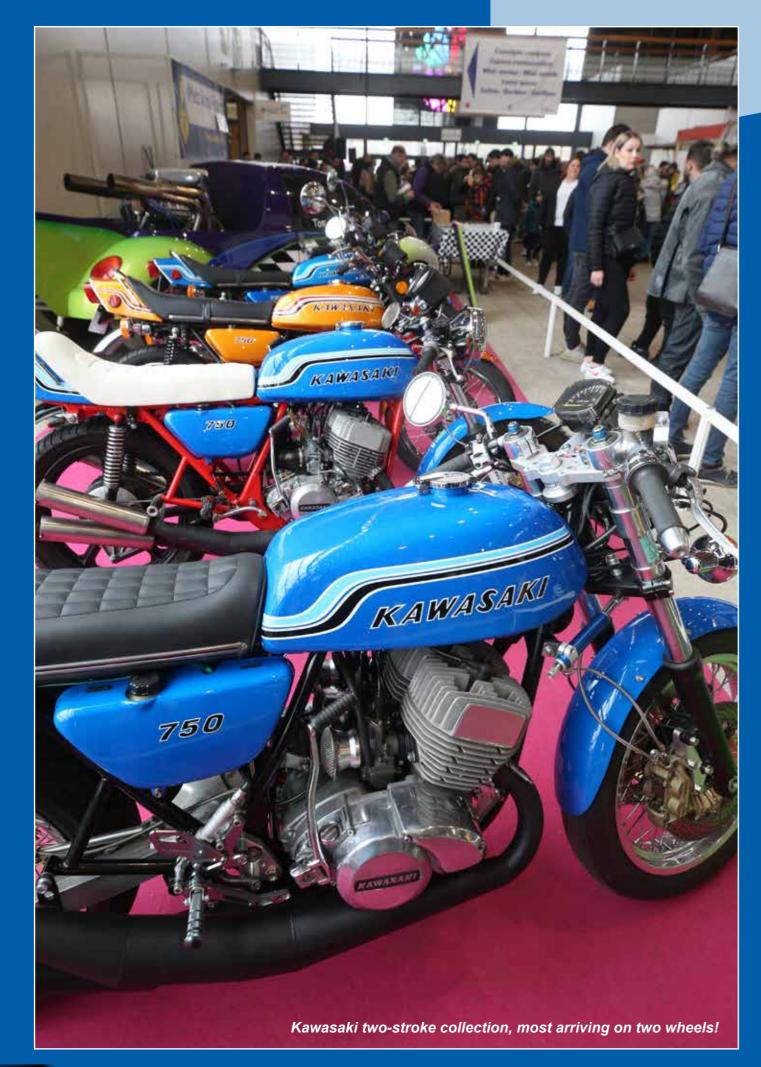














View from above the main entrance: The middle hall between the two show halls featured food, main music stage and the Kawasaki and Duckteam exhibition...

As the thunder of the two jet trade fairs. Offering a little bit what you wanted to know and

engines was rolling off the of everything the french bikers see was present at "Salon de la smooth hills to the east of Metz it love, "Duckman" Donald Pottier, Moto" at Metz Expo. And with was clear that "Salon de la Moto" famous for his Jet Dragster the combined "Jet Power" of was back in force! Back, cele- Racing activities and the now Duckteam and the Dragspeed brating its 10th Anniversary and legendary "Drag Power Show" Quad, the visitors arriving from a visitor success for sure, as this at Chambley Airport, again has all over eastern France had a show does range in the top-5, if organized a top event for all fac- great visit with all important not top-3 of french motorcycle ettes of french motorcycling: motorcycle brands presented by indoor shows and motorcycle Racing, stunts, customizing - their local well-known dealers!

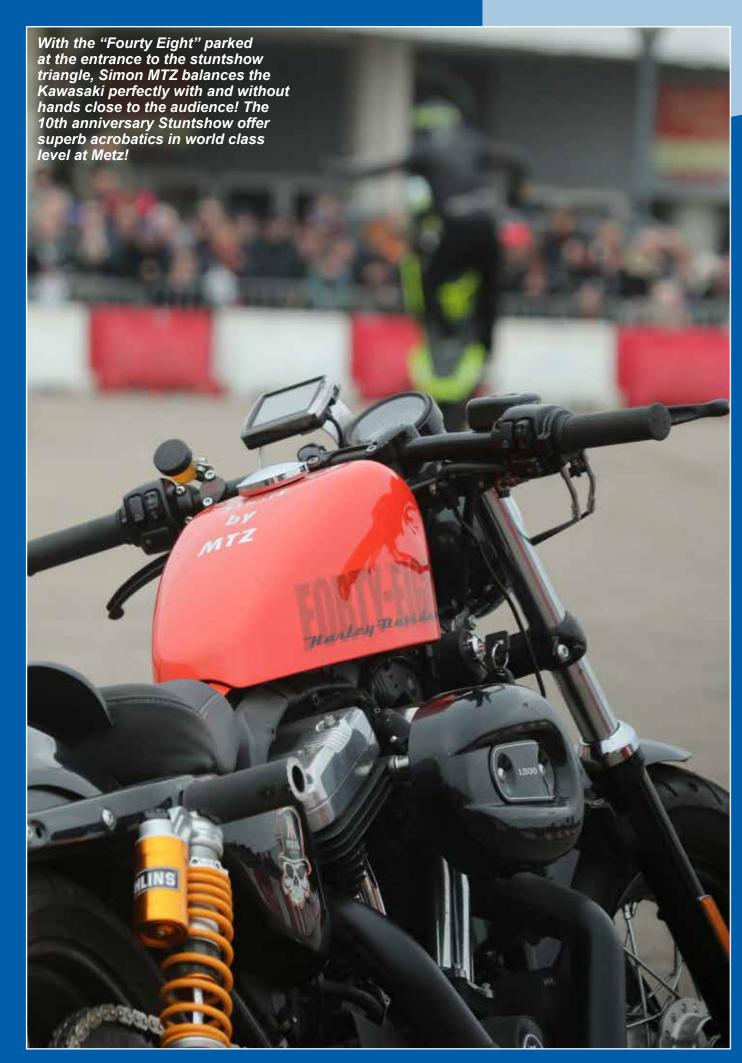
Indian and Yamaha Team Metz Sunday morning before opening.







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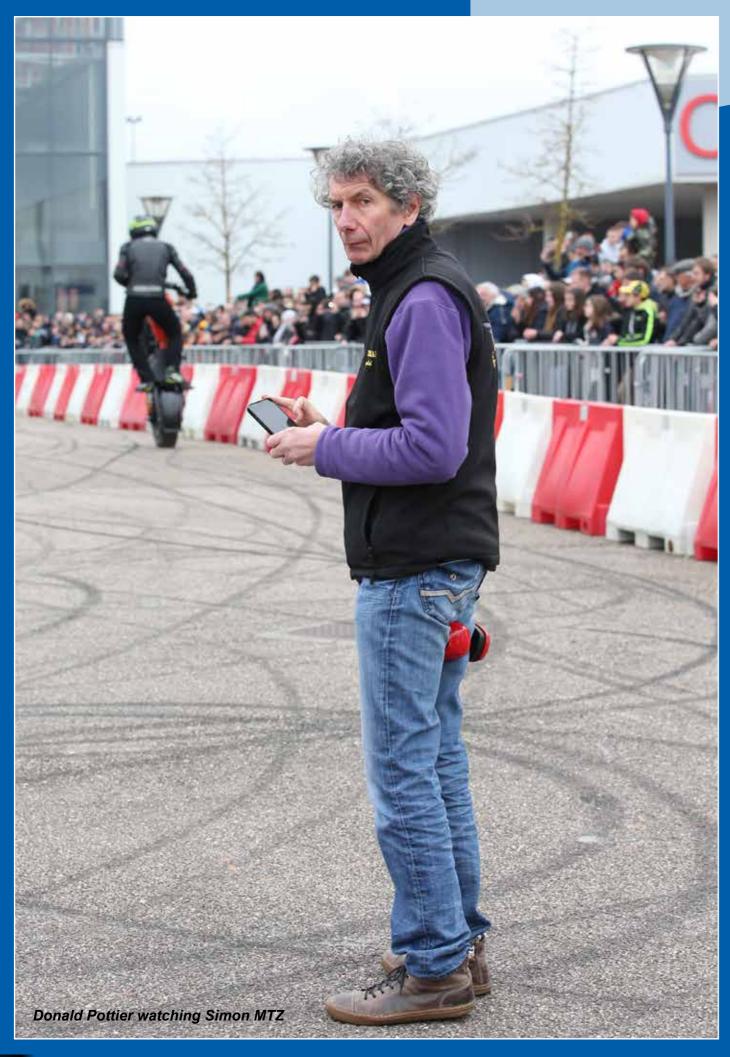
Very exclusive and expensive motorcycles have been exhibited at Metz 2023! Bimota Tesi Kawasaki H2 with charger offers a stunning 231 hp at a weight of 207 kg only!

They can do it, they love it – and motorcycle and foot visit in down-routine at Metz fairground, east of it's fun to visit and watch! French Motorcycle shows have a character ied Cities ever, was in order and  $\star$   $\star$   $\star$ of its own - and Salon de la Moto at Metz is no exception! Arriving on thursday to "be on the save side", one would hardly expect that a full one would hardly expect that the character is a full one would hardly expect that the character is a full of the character in the character in the character is a full one would hardly expect that the character is a full one would hardly expect that the character is a full one would have a full one would hardly expect t motorcycle show would be held at prisingly fast, as exhibitors rushed legendary for its Jet-, Rocket- and Metz Expo this weekend – so a first in in what has become a 10-years





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this location - offers at the Bikeshow. opportunity for an indoor fair and show event, enriched with outdoor The outdoor stuntshow action was fast and slow stunt figures, well activities and exiting action perfor- a true "magnet" for the audience beyond the limits of "classic" stunt mances.

were "hot" to meet their clients as the motorcycle season was just ahead in East France - and so were their clients that patiently stood in line to see the show, new bikes, new ideas - or to shop for parts, clothes and art! The great music program as well as the restaurants were "open" for service and the Salon Moto Bike Show did show some cool "American Iron" and a variety of extreme racing and even stock/modified bikes that the visitors could vote for.

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Custom Chrome Europe distribution partners "Milwaukee Twin" Harley Davidson and "Motomax' Indian of Metz battled it out again next to the main entrance into the big expo-hall, both of them entering a number of great custombikes into the show. Both presented their 2023 model year news including two of the limited edition Harley-Davidson 120th Anniversary Models that have just been delivered to the dealers! HD Metz's homebase only 3 km from the expo, had the benefit of being "at home" but did not enter their possible "show-sweep-"Motomax" also sells

Yamaha and Moto Guzzi while the Introducing their Super Moto based day at Metz, even if you drop the "Milwaukee Twin" building also inteco-operate with or tried to buy. In

as three teams "competed" in the riding. Team "Titane Acrobatie" then triangular stunt arena surround-

Steam-powered Dragracing-action Metal" Chopper/Bobber which was MTZ Martinez performed breathwhich is unique in Europe, but also one of three bikes he exhibited taking acrobatics on a Kawasaki on de la Moto" beside a ver cool "Rat-Style" Pickup and the most unusual choice of a Sportster "Forty Eight" which he both takes through a routine of rolled out a massive stunt action As in previous years, all exhibitors ed by thousands of spectators! circus which was hard to follow

due to its dynamic and wild performance, often with all three riders on the track, either running wild together or performing different stunts at he same time on their particular "stunt-sectors" in the triangle of mayhem. .

A big "thank you" to Donald and his team to make this event possible - and finally have something to push the theme. The jet-powered rides than added another level of mayhem and thunder to the event, in particular Saturday's "Almost Night Show" and Sundays "Double Afterburner" show will remain in the memory of the visitors for some time, no doubt about that!

As the custombike show was "Public Vote Only" one should not question the result. All shows offering "Public choice" voting often come up with surprising results -and entering such a show you have to accept that. Outstanding bikes were present at Metz anyway, and they were recognized! Thanks to all participants of the 2023 Metz Bike Show - and for presenting some super-detailed handcrafted custombikes! This is a very fast-paced show and you can have a great

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er" into the bikeshow: A Team Titane Acrobatie in action at the "Triangle of Boardtrack Racer style Mayhem" as one may call the sophisticated stunt 1920 T. Indian Metz aka arena just outside the exhibition halls.

Stunt action to a bigger audience, family for a downtown visit and pick grates KTM and Ducati, two brands the KIKANINAC team had a superb them up later. Try it! At Salon de la that Harley at some time aimed to premiere at both event days and Moto 2024! showed great potential with three the final results, both won with high riders not just riding solo, but comscores in the results but "Best of bining their skills to combined artis-Show" went to Bruce Valluet's "Bare tic action! A true world class solo rider in a class of its own. Simon











































## Salon de MOTO

nvironmental not neccessarily need to stop in the trash can: Instead of trashing used parts you can convert then into pieses of art or - as the work of David Decker from Jouy aux Arches clearly shows. The skilled craftsman is recycling motorcycle and bicycle parts into useful goods such as belts and keyrings - or what ever comes into his creative mind! Coming from Jouy aux Arches, north of Metz, this comes natural: the Roman aqueduct that spans the town is some 2.000 years old! decker.david@free.fr





TOP: During the noon Jet shows, some motorsport issues were promoted too. In France motorcycling at an early age is promoted rather than condemned, as especially in a country east of France... BOTTOM: Furious Fire " fires its afterburner for a great fire show at events – Moto Salon 2023 presented the jets in action again to a greater audience!





TOP: "Furious Fire" is the two-wheeled Jet-vehicle in the huge collection of Donald Pottiers garage: The custom-built motorcycle frame also hosts a Fogua "Magister" Marboré II jet-engine. BOTTOM: The afterburner is custom made and not original part of the original Jet trainer and acrobatic aircraft engine! At night or dusk a spectacular show finale.

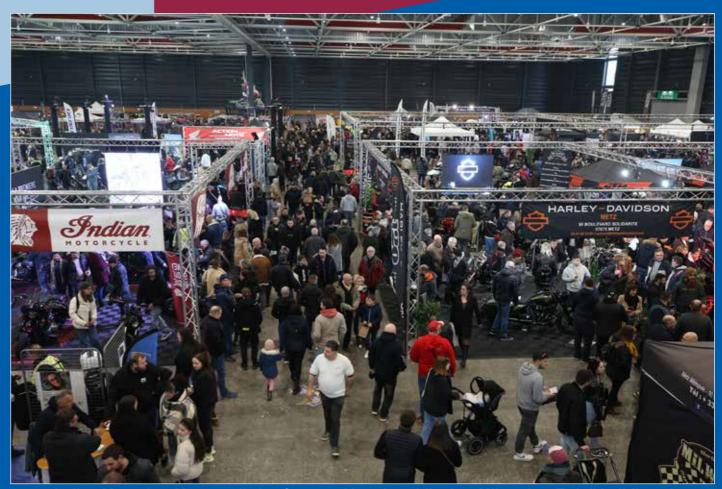


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expo. Indian Metz aka "Motomax" also features Yamaha while the "Milwaukee Twin" building also integrates KTM and Ducati, two brands that Harley at some time tried to co-operate with or tried to buy. BOTTOM: Kawasaki's legendary 2-stroke triple cylinders were a fitting "gate guard" next to Donald Pottier's latest V-8 and Jet-powered rides at the entrance!



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TOP: Many french clubs and organisations showed up at Salon Moto and promoted their work and passion. "Brothers in Arms" among them!
BOTTOM: Moto Guzzi "Dustbin Replica" by Motomax, also Yamaha dealer of Metz/France, probably built for the "Faster Sons" Sprint Race" but certainly in memoriam of the Moto Guzzi V8!





TOP: Music on two stages did entertain the crowds with some cool classic rock! "The Guyzs" rocked the crowd with superb "Classic Rock" performances! BOTTOM: Not just outdoors did the "KIKANINAC" Team offer Stunts. Electro-powered wheelie trainer for everybody was one of the best-used attractions in the bike show hall!





### BS SPORTSTER MANIACS FROMILUNEVILLE:





Fotostudio, five super-cool Sportster-based Old School customs were unloaded from the rental truck and directly rolled into the sunshine of Friday's set-up day and afternoon! All five beauties are available as FULL outdoor feature or as "combined story"...



















2nd place in the Salon de la Moto 2023 Bike Show for an anachronism: Harley-Davidson's FXSTS Softail converted to Bagger! Including Airride, big front wheel and stretched tank! Build by Philippe Terrasson of "Phil's Bikes" in Beuveille as his personal rider! (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)





Radical ride and top-craftsmanship at this super-cool rigid frame Triumph Twin in "Chopper" style, created by Metz-based privateer Francis Grosjean. (FULL FEATURE AVAILABLE)



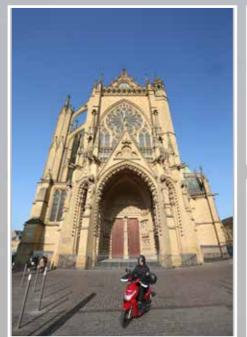








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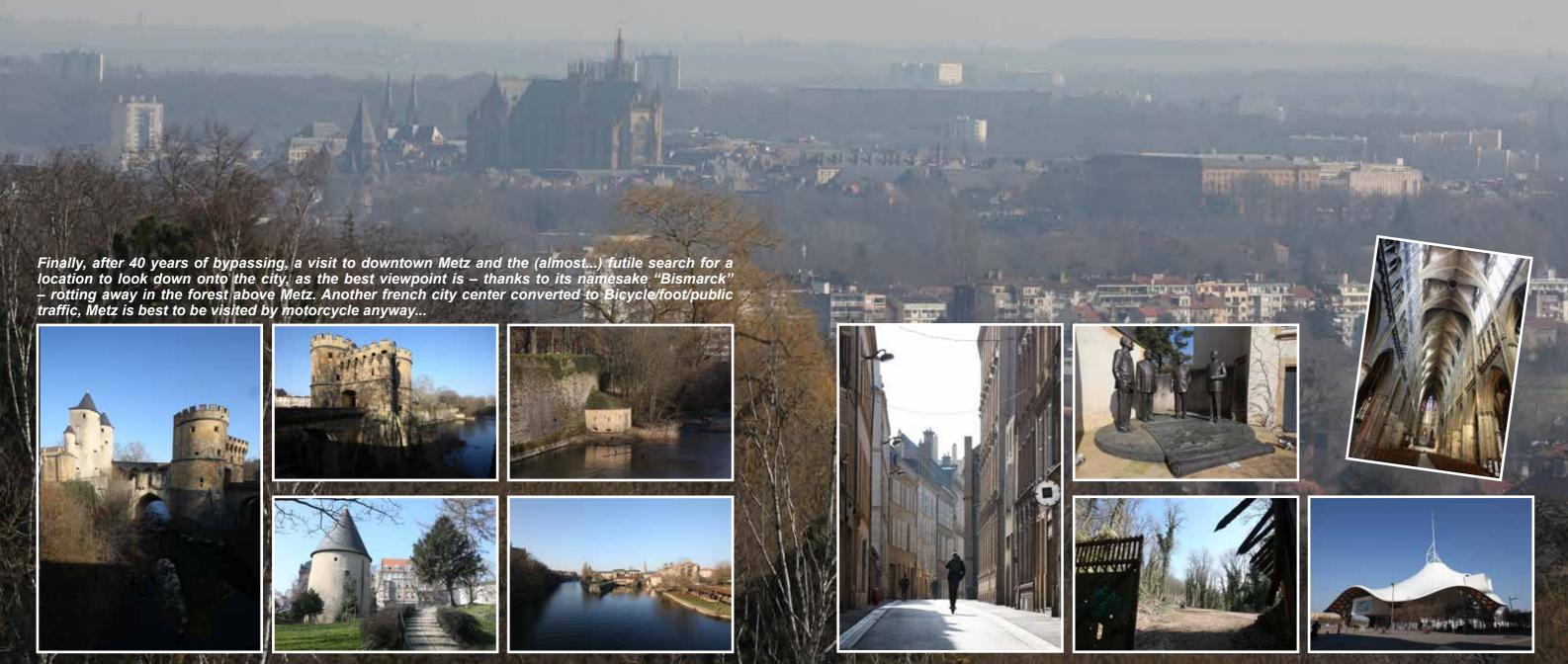












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