

### Adaptiv TPX™ Radar and Laser Detector



I've never been one to advocate excessive speed on motorcycles, and I won't start now. But as someone who has made several small-town lawyers' boat payments, I'm sick and tired of being victimized by ridiculous speed traps and overzealous law enforcement officials. It's time to start watching my own back, and the folks at Adaptiv Technologies have given me the tool I need for that. With the help of their TPX™ system, my chances of getting an expensive speeding ticket and a ludicrous motorcycle safety lecture from some badge-wearing kid young enough to be my son have been reduced significantly.

Designed specifically for motorcycles, the TPX detects all bands of radar and laser, and is certified by Speed Measurement Laboratories, Inc., reportedly "the leading independent evaluator of radar detectors in the market today." The water,

### The Art of the Basket Case

by Andrew C. Bauer



Do you have that vintage gene? Does your radar hone in on motorcycle swap meets like a bat to mosquitoes? Well, if your inner gear-head has a penchant for replacing the word 'junk' with 'project', then Andrew C. Bauer's *Art of the Basket Case* deserves a place on your coffee table. Though the words are few, hundreds of brilliant photographs depicting the "beauty" of machines that are well past their prime tell a thousand stories. This is especially true if your involvement with motorcycles goes back a few years and runs a touch more than skin deep.

Bauer, like many vintage junkies, has the ability to see beneath the rust and appreciate the dreams that a good basket case inspires. If you truly love the old stuff, you'll find this book nearly impossible to put down. Some words of warning, though: it will give you way too many ideas for that extra space in the back of the workshop.

### The Art of the Basket Case

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vibration, and shock resistant TPX™ comes with its own wiring harness that's a snap to hook up to your bike's power source. The unit's large, glove friendly buttons, along with the easy to read display, are top mounted. The folks at Adaptiv Technologies are riders, and it shows in these details. Once on the road, the system works well, issuing a loud warning along with visual cues that Smokey may be lying in wait. But to best take advantage of the TPX™, pick up the optional remote visual alert and the wireless headset. It fits in almost any helmet and assures that you'll hear the alarm. Adaptiv also has mounts available specially made for the TPX™. I breezed by a couple of known radar traps here in town and was happy to identify them long before they saw me. And on the way home one afternoon, I discovered yet another "special location" I hadn't known about.

RoadRUNNER does not endorse excessive speed in any way, shape, or form. But on the same note, we feel that one silly mistake shouldn't end up costing you dearly in attorney fees, insurance hikes, court costs, and a whole bunch of valuable time. Because, honestly, when was the last time you got off with a "warning"? At first glance, the Adaptiv TPX™ system may seem a bit costly, but if it saves you from only one momentary lapse of concentration, it's paid for itself.

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Cost: TPX™ Main Console - \$309

Wireless Headset - \$70

Visual Alert - \$45

Mount - \$70

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