

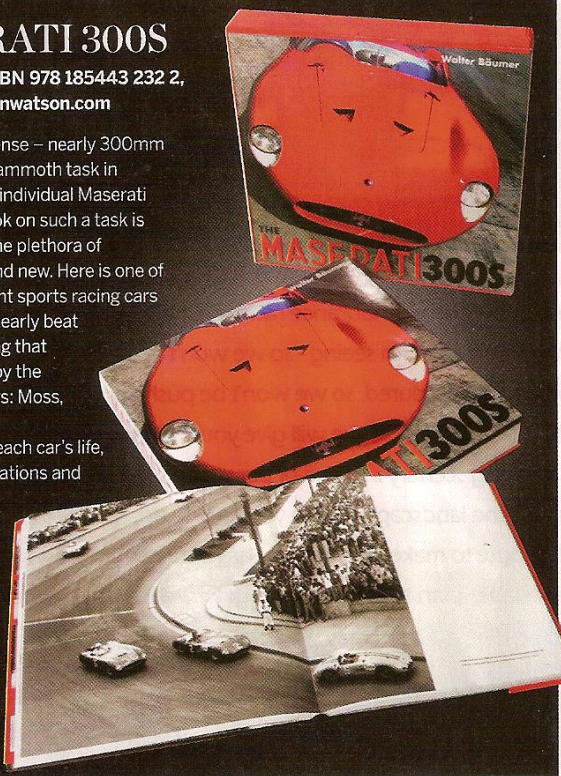
The Right Stuff

Must-have books, accessories and tools – including some you can win

THE MASERATI 300S

By Walter Bäumer, £95, ISBN 978 185443 232 2, Dalton Watson, www.daltonwatson.com

This is a big book in every sense – nearly 300mm square, 360 pages, and a mammoth task in charting the history of each individual Maserati 300S built. Why Bäumer took on such a task is made clear in the text and the plethora of photographs, both period and new. Here is one of the most beautiful and potent sports racing cars of its time, and one that so nearly beat Ferrari in 1956 and '57. During that short season it was piloted by the period's most famous drivers: Moss, Fangio, Behra and Shelby. In meticulously documenting each car's life, Bäumer not only covers variations and ongoing modifications, but the battles each car fought and the dramas played out in Maserati's bid to win the World Sports Car Championship. This is the first book dedicated to the 300S, and if you love sports racing cars, you'll love this too. *Rob Scorch*



SUIXTIL RACE PANTS AND TOURING BAG

£110 and £35, Suixtil, www.suixtil.com

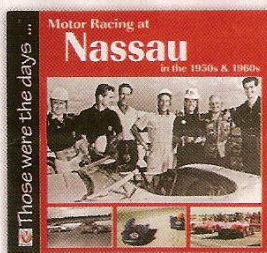
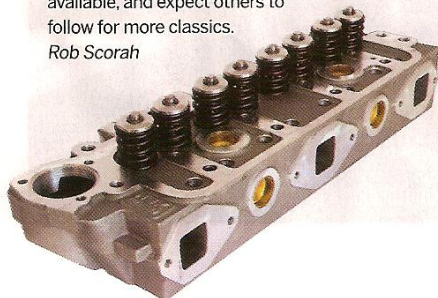
These are high-quality recreations of Fifties and Sixties racing trousers worn by the likes of Juan Manuel Fangio and Jean Behra. They're ideal for classic events such as the Goodwood Revival or the Mille Miglia. Nicely finished in 100 per cent cotton, with elasticated waistband and button ankle cuffs, they are very comfortable and allow your legs free movement to negotiate the most awkward cockpits. The neat canvas leather-trimmed touring bag is ideal for carrying them, with space for a couple of shirts and a pair of driving gloves too. For more period gear, look on the Suixtil website. *Rob Scorch*



MGB CROSSFLOW CYLINDERHEAD

From £919, Webcon, 01932 787100, www.webcon.co.uk

High production standards and light weight make this new aluminium cylinderhead an attractive proposition for any MGB owner. It is designed to flow up to 25 per cent more efficiently than old cast iron units and is 75 per cent lighter. It certainly won't be prone to crack in the same way the originals did. Alloy Ford Kent Crossflow and BMC A-series heads are also available, and expect others to follow for more classics. *Rob Scorch*



MOTOR RACING AT NASSAU

By Terry O'Neil, £12.99, ISBN 978 1 84584 198 0, Veloce, 01305 260068, www.velocebooks.com

Racing in the Bahamas in the Fifties and Sixties may have been a sideshow to the Sports Car World Championship, but it added yet more glamour to the sport. This little 96-page book will show you the variety of characters and machines involved, from Ferrari 250 GT SWBs to Austin-Healey Frog-eye Sprites and experimental GM Stingrays. It captures something of the relaxed, ad hoc atmosphere too. *Rob Scorch*

VIDEO VBOX

£1604.25, Racelogic, 01280 823803, www.racelogic.co.uk

The Video VBOX combines video recording with GPS monitoring to record speed, acceleration, distance, lap times and even G-forces. Twin cameras allow straight-ahead and cockpit views, while video displays can be modified in computer programs such as Adobe Photoshop or Corel Paint Shop Pro. You can upload the footage or data to websites and blogs. A lot more fun than a stopwatch and perfect for the serious track enthusiast or racer. *Rob Scorch*

