



STREET FIGHTER

Winner

JIMMY HUTTON CARLOW

Story So Far My Cozzy

Thanks for the passion of bikes came from my Father as he was a keen biker of the long haired era , while mitching from school and working he managed to buy himself the first Honda 175 to come into Carlow. Since the age of 16 my love for bikes took over from hurling and Football to stand back and look at the frame of my bike hacked to pieces to tey make more pleasing to the eye was a great Buzz for me. Fuck class of the engineering the Cozzy engineering was a whole lot better, in my eyes anyway ha ha. As a visitor to Australia I decided I was going to get myself a Blade and build myself a fighter in Oz as they like their sports bikes and to them a bike with no plastics has been down the road on its side, but I wanted this look to be different from them so I built my own Streetfighter over there and put a lot of blood sweat and tears into it. I later brought my finished project back to Ireland and got best of show at the RDS. The day came a few years after when my mate Jimmy came to me and asked me to build him a

fighter money was no object to him at the time as he had his own truck working in Dublin and drove the sack out of it to fund the project.

We started with a Blade we got from a Bloke in Tullow. My eyes lit up when Jimmy arrived with the Donor machine my mouth drooled with the blood between my teeth like a cannibal ready to get stuck in; I ripped all its clothes out that surrounded its body and ribcage. First things first were to get its heart out the engine was sent straight to the painters to sample.

I had a vision in my head off the finished project even though it was in a million pieces to have a picture in your head makes this very easy. When the engine came back all shiny and blue it was time for the sexy trimmings which we picked up at the Street Fighter Show in Germany. When the frame was ready I grabbed my Triumph onesided swingarm to use the wheel off it. AC/DC pumping in the background my Da and I got the whole hub out of the Triumph arm to fit in tidy to the VFR swingarm after making up the swingarm bushings and

fitting it to the frame we noticed the wheel was out of line. The only option was to get a couple of mil machined off the inside of the Triumph wheel. A lot of time was passed of squinting eyes and propping of timber to get the heights and looks we wanted to achieve. Day by day it was all starting to come together and exactly to the picture I had imprinted in my head with its immaculate accessories and almost everything deceiving fighter Pilot could ever want. I had no welder so I had to tape pieces together and take them to a mate Tommy who is a master welder without them moving Fuck did I break that man's heart. The day came when she was ready for her

maiden voyage I had to have the first spin so straight to town for the strip. She ran like a dream and pope like stallion. My heart thumped out of my chest with the happiness when cars driving and people stopped to look at this unusual looking beast with its parking lights glowing red with anger. The project was finished and with all the happy people and the main customer happy and proud of his build I had a sense of sadness. my wet windy winter cold evenings were over and so was the help of my Dad Maybe someday we will build a Busa for the Craic

ENGINE

Stock FireBlade with one off exhaust, Syst K&N Filter, Iridium Plugs. Engine painted by Sean Egan Custom Paint Side Casings polished by Cozzy , Bimbos Skull side see though side casing

FRAME

CBR 900 Polished and hacked with bread knives and chainsaws. One off foot pegs polished by Cozzy

FRONT END

Standard Forks with Up rated Springs and oil braded lines and 17" Front wheel Rental Bars, Bimbos Mini switch gear polished hand grips , vapour clusters and all wires hidden in handle bars , Bimbos 666 top fairing

REAR END

VFR 750 Swing Arm Polished with Triumph back wheel machined to fit. Braided Breaklines Bimbos trick rear master cylinder machined swingarm spacers

BODY WORK

Modified CBR 900 tank, Bimbos fighters tail piece modified to take exhaust exit stainless seat , 666 top fairing and mud guard, Trick belly pan

ELECTRICS

Bimbos front light Hallfords back lights , Vapour Cluster, Bimbos switchchange and loom hacked to death by Cozzy

PAINT

Sean Egan Custom Paint

POLISHING/PLATING

By Cozzy

ENGINEERING

Who Did them?

Tommy Kavanagh, Cozzy , Paul Kelly

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