## You have a better way to get KR's autograph?

The best way we know to tell you about Yamaha's RZ350 is to let Kenny Roberts himself do the

talking. So listen up:

"I know a little something about high performance bikes, and the RZ350 is all part of Yamaha's two-stroke racing tradition. When you turn the throttle on, on a two-stroke, it's there when you need it. Instant acceleration. And the YPVS is Yamaha's Power Valve System. With the adjustable exhaust port, and the microcomputer, you have the bottom end that you need, and as the RPMs go up, it adjusts the exhaust port so you have the top end that you need.

"Because it is a two-stroke, and the power comes on instantly, and the weight is low, the

power

hits you in the rear and it's gone.

"The liquid cooling stabilizes engine temperature, so the power

is always consistent.

"A two-stroke bike handles differently on a race track. It's lightweight, the center of gravity is low, and the bike does exactly what you want it to do with a whole lot less effort.

"The RZ has Yamaha's linktype single shock rear suspension. The gas shock is mounted upright behind the engine, so the center of gravity stays low. The linkage gives rising rate suspension action. That means the suspension can respond over little stuff, so the tire stays on the ground, and still be stable at high speeds.

"The forks are just like the ones on my racer; air-adjustable and there's variable-rate damping. It has triple disc brakes. And, like a lot of other things about the RZ, the frame was derived from racing.

"So what does this all mean?

"It means that the RZ350 is the kind of bike you can flick around. And, if you want to ride it hard, you have the right bike.

"Of course, there's one other thing about the RZ: You don't have to ride it on the race track to enjoy it."

We couldn't have said it better ourselves. But Kenny ought to know the RZ350 better than anyone. After all, he put his name on it.



The liquid cooled, 347cc, two-stroke twin features the patented Yamaha Power Valve System (YPVS). It consists of exhaust port valves that give variable porting, operated by a servo motor that is controlled by a microprocessor to coincide with engine requirements and rider demands. The result is substantial torque in the low- and midranges, with phenomenal power on the upper end.



The Monocross suspension utilizes a rising rate linkage acting on a single gas/oil shock mounted low behind the engine for optimum weight placement. It provides supple wheel travel over small bumps, while assuring precise control for hard riding.



Cast aluminum wheels allow wide profile tires for exceptional handling on the highway. Or the raceway.





## RZ accessories

Seat Cowl, Luggage Carrier, Soft Luggage, Tank Bag,
Sofpack Duffle Bag, Tandem Intercom,
Yamaha Motorcycle Alarm, Leather Jackets, Helmets,
Plus a complete line of apparel, lubes, cleaners
and other motorcycle care products,
All available at your local Yamaha dealer.



| ENGINE                           | Z350N        |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Type2-Stroke, Liquid-            | Cooled,      |
| VIDVO                            | · 171 ·      |
| Displacement                     | .347 cc      |
| Displacement                     | 54 mm        |
| Compression Ratio                | .6.0:1       |
| Maximum Torque31.1               | ftlbs.       |
| (4.3 kg-m) @7,50                 | 00 rpm       |
| Carburetion Twin Mikuni          | VM26         |
| IgnitionCapacitor Dis            | charge       |
| Starting                         | Kick         |
| Lubrication                      |              |
| Transmission6                    | -Speed       |
| CHASSIS                          |              |
| Overall Length83.5"(2,12         | 20 mm)       |
| Overall Width28.0"(71            | 0 mm)        |
| Overall Height46.3"(1,17         | 75 mm)       |
| Wheelbase54.5"(1,38              | 35 mm)       |
| Ground Clearance                 |              |
| Seat Height31.5"(80              | 00 mm)       |
| Dry Weight328 lbs. (1            | 149 kg)      |
| Fuel Tank Capacity5.3 gals       | s. (20 l)    |
| Oil Tank Capacity1.7 qts.        | $(1.6 \ell)$ |
| Suspension                       |              |
| FrontTelescopi                   | c Fork       |
| RearSwingarm with Mon-           | oshock       |
| Brakes                           |              |
| FrontDual Slotted                |              |
| RearSingle Slotte                | ed Disc      |
| Tires                            |              |
| Front90/90—1                     |              |
| Rear110/80—1                     | 18 58H       |
| Coloring                         |              |
| Competition Yellow/Yamaha Black, |              |
| Whi                              | te/Red       |

Always wear a helmet and eye protection.
Specifications are subject to change without notice.
Rear view mirror(s) standard equipment.
12-Month limited warranty. Warranty terms are limited.
See your Yamaha dealer for details. California model is equipped with evaporative emission control device and exhaust emission control devices.

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