



**MILAN SHOW REPORT**

**Italian moped renaissance urged  
on by 50cc sales boom**

Certainly, the most interesting as well as the most productive of this year's European two-wheeler exhibitions, last week's Milan Show effectively illustrated the increasing strength, particularly in the field of design, of the Italian moped and motor-cycle industry. To be expected with a booming home market for 50cc mopeds, many new developments were revealed in the lightweight sector, where at least 12 new machines, headed by an exceedingly-stylish new Piaggio moped were introduced. Playing something of a supporting role at this fantastic show, where 500 makers, predominantly Italian, had stands were several new motor cycles in the medium- and large-capacity classes, as well as some new accessories from Continental bicycle factories.

From a sales angle, machine two, with lead spokesman, exports to of the Milan show was the forks...

**Near identical 50's**

Two makers to introduce near identical-looking 50's were Cimatti and Testi. Most interesting of the two is the Testi EZ model which has its headlight set into a fuel tank mounted onto and forward of the telescopic front fork yoke. Unlike the Cimatti, which has a rigid rear end, the EZ has swinging arm and dampers at the rear. Fuel storage on the Cimatti has been tackled more realistically by putting the tank inside the

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hp large diameter frame down-tube. Wheel size on both models is 16in by 2in and hub brakes are fitted all round. With the declining popularity of roller-drive directly to the front or rear wheel, it is surprising to find Bianchi...