

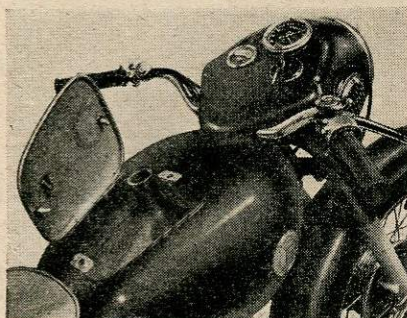
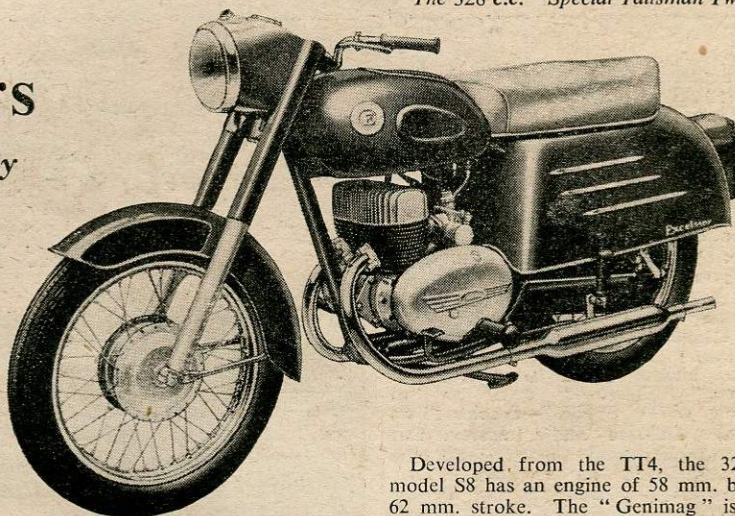
Details of 1959 Models

The 328 c.c. "Special Talisman Twin."

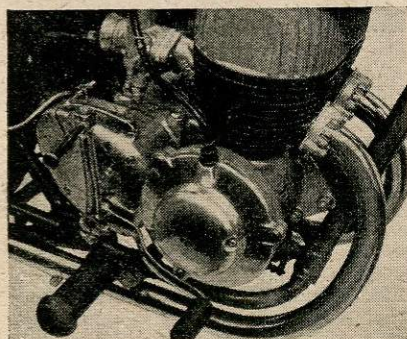
Seven Excelsiors

A Colourful Range from Tyseley

COLOURFUL presentation is a keynote of Excelsior's 1959 programme. There are seven models, ranging from 98 to 328 c.c. in engine capacity, all available in cherry-red, bronze green or two-tone pearl-grey/red finish. There is a new version of the 328 c.c. twin introduced last year, and numerous technical improvements to the other models. Price reductions operate in two cases and, yet again, from Tyseley comes a "rock-bottom" claim—this year for the "Talisman Twin" TT4, the only British-made 250 c.c. two-stroke twin marketed at a figure less than £180 inclusive.



S9 details: (Above) The tank-top tool compartment and (below) engine close-up showing the new Miller generator.



The F6 series "Consort" has been relinquished and the alternative CA version, listed now as the CA9, is the only 98 c.c. machine in the catalogue. This model has been made more attractive by the re-styling of the toolbox, the deepening of the seat and the use of panelling to streamline the head yoke, headlamp mounting and toolbox surround. One-piece front stays support the forward mudguard and there is embellishment in the form of a chromium plated strip for the tank top.

Apart from its new, gay *décor*, the "Skutabyke" is unchanged, but is cheaper than it was last season by more than £3 in the total price.

The two "Universals" continue to be fitted with the Villiers 147 c.c. 30C engine with three-speed gearbox in unit. The standard model has direct lighting and embodies, generally, 1959 refinements in the form of yoke head panels and improved headlamp fittings, re-styled toolboxes and one-piece front stays. The rear chain-guard has been deepened and, for the first time, Girling dampers with three-stage adjustment for load are specified for the rear suspension. Brightened in detail and with chromium plated rims, the de luxe version, designated the U9R, has A.C./D.C. electrical equipment.

At £179 12s. 10d. the standard TT4 "Talisman Twin" is an attractive proposition. This machine, too, carries a larger dual seat, panelled yoke cover and modified toolbox. A single carburettor is fitted and ignition is by Wico-Pacy "Genimag."

Developed from the TT4, the 328 c.c. model S8 has an engine of 58 mm. bore by 62 mm. stroke. The "Genimag" is again standard equipment, but twin Amal "Monobloc" carburettors are fitted. The S8 is otherwise to TT4 specification, with all next season's improvements embodied.

New for 1959, the S9 328 c.c. "Special Talisman Twin" introduces a Miller 60-watt generator, with separate H.T. coils for ignition. New forks with hydraulic damping have been designed for the S9. The 7-in. diameter front brake is the biggest in the range and 18-in. wheels carrying Dunlop 3.25-in. tyres (ribbed front and studded rear) constitute a break-away from the 19-in. rim dimension long standardized at Tyseley and still applicable to the earlier models described. At the steering head, a massive nacelle pressing serves to accommodate the lamp and act as a mounting for the switch, ammeter and speedometer and there is plenty of room still available for any additional equipment, such as a clock, which the private owner might specify.

By deepening the 3-gallon fuel tank, the appearance has been considerably improved, and a practical aspect of this modification is the inclusion in the tank top of a tool-roll recess with a Q.D. cover which also acts as a press-fit seal at the mouth of the tank filler tube, the tube itself extending downwards through the base of the compartment. The dual seat for the S9 is particularly wide and deep and, in modern style, the rear wheel is shrouded down to spindle level.

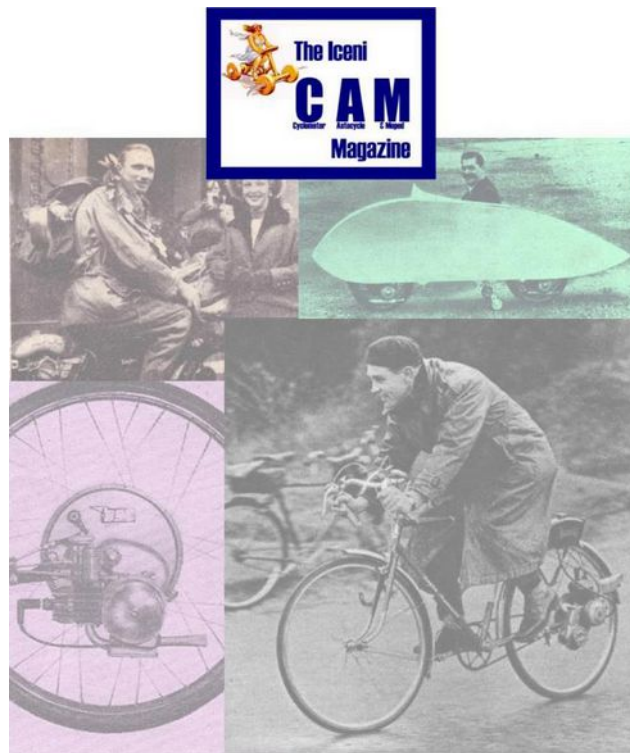
The main range, with all the new features specified, is available immediately and deliveries of the new S9 twin are scheduled to start in December this year.

SPECIFICATIONS AND PRICES

Model and type	Engine capacity	C.R.	Approx. b.h.p.	Suspension		Gear ratios	Weight	Tank capacity	Wheel-base	Ground clearance	Seat height	Basic price	Total inc. P.T.
				Front	Rear								
							lb.	gal.	in.	in.	in.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
59/CA9 "Consort" t.s. . .	98	8.0	2.8/4,000	T	SF	8.5, 13.1	136	1½	47	4½	27	79 10 0	99 3 6
59/SB1 "Skutabyke" t.s. . .	98	8.0	2.8/4,000	T	P	8.5, 13.1	165	1½	47	5	27	83 0 0	103 10 11
59/U9 "Universal" t.s. . .	147	8.0	6.0/4,250	T	SF	6.7, 8.9, 16.9	181	2½	50	6	31	97 10 0	121 12 8
59/TT4 "Talisman Twin" t.s. . .	244	7.8	12.1/5,000	T	SF	5.5, 7.5, 10.0, 16.2	270	3	53	6	30	144 0 0	179 12 10
59/S8 "Super Talisman Twin" t.s. . .	328	7.5	18.0/5,000	T	SF	4.9, 6.6, 8.8, 14.3	297	3	53	6	32	170 0 0	212 1 6
59/S9 "Special Talisman Twin" t.s. . .	328	—	—	T	SF	—	—	3	53	6	32	189 0 0	235 15 7

Alternative specification (price includes P.T.).—U9R "Universal" with A.C./D.C. electrical equipment and "de luxe" finish for £128 0s. 0d.

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