



JAWA Motorcyclist

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Ok I admit it I could not take it anymore. Anyone who thinks exposed chains are sexy has never cleaned one. But the Jawa 250 travel has a very exposed chain so what to do about it. I survived the summer with a sponge cable tied to the swing arm which I wet with oil. As the chain agitates it cleans itself and get oiled. Works great but now the winter is here the sponge is being attached by the same forces that destroy chains. So enters the Loobman.



It is not my first experience with chain oilers. The Scotoiler more than doubled the chain life of the ER. But it is very expensive. The Loobman is a much simpler system. You squeeze a small bottle filled with oil and gravity does the rest. It even boasts a split feed to oil both sides of the sprocket and chain. I had to feed the Scotoiler into a sponge which I ran along the chain to achieve this result. The Loobman also supplies a piece of wire to support the delivery system. Everything is cable tied in place so it is a one solution fits all.

So Purchase was made and Dennis in Loobman was very helpful. The small neat package arrived and at first I was surprised by the amount of parts. The instructions are on two sheets, one with drawings the other written. The written instructions suggest you read them first and then proceed. So I looked at the pictures and went at it. I hereby freely admit that I read all the instructions by the time I had the Loobman installed.

Installation is simple, however the wire support is more suited for a box section swing arm which the Jawa has not. I intend using jubilee clips to hold it in place as I feel this will be more effective on the round swing arm. That is not to say that the cable ties do not hold it in place. The bottle fitting into the syringe tube does leak out the top a little if you squeeze the bottle hard, and the oil does drip a little around the splitter on the feed to the sprocket. But it is a splash feed to the area so everything will get a little oil on it regardless.



In the first month the bottle came loose and rubbed against the wheel puncturing itself. A replacement bottle is available and will be cable tied in place this time to prevent this happening again.

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