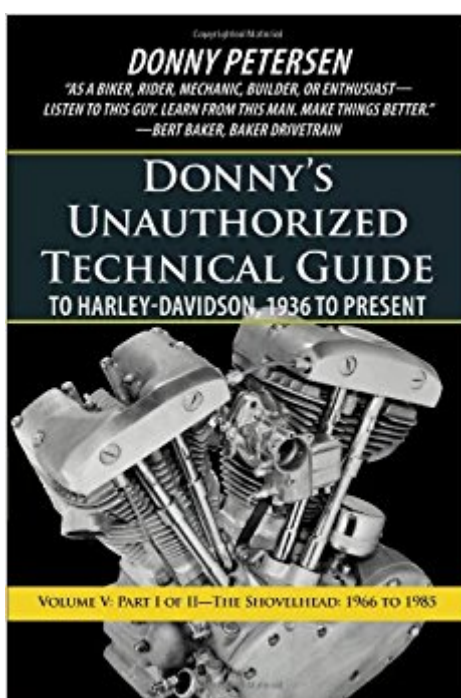


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Donny's Unauthorized Technical Guide To Harley-Davidson, 1936 To Present: Part I Of II-The Shovelhead: 1966 To 1985 (Volume 5)



Synopsis

Donny Petersen, who studied privately with Harley-Davidson engineers, shares practical knowledge and street-wise tips in the fifth volume of his unauthorized guide on the best motorcycle maker in the world. Written in straightforward language, this guide can help even a motorcycle novice to become an expert mechanic by following Donny's step-by-step instructions. Whether you're looking for detailed service procedures such as fitting engine bearings or simple tips on maintenance, Donny is eager to share the expertise he's stockpiled on the Shovelhead over the last forty years. Donny shares real stories so you can find solutions to whatever is ailing your Shovelhead. Resolve teething problems, troubleshoot problematic aspects of the engine, and fix whatever comes up with various models. Gear ratios, torque multiplication, and H-D and aftermarket tools of the day are prominent in the guide, which even includes information on tools Donny invented himself to make your life easier. Get the specifications for tightening all the Shovelhead fasteners and adjustments to mechanisms on various models. In his usual forthright manner, Donny makes technical issues understandable, interspersing explanations with entertaining stories about the hard core lifestyle that comes with being a Harley rider.

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DONNY PETERSEN established and operated Heavy Duty Cycles in Canada from 1974 to 2010; his monthly column, Techline, has appeared in American Iron Magazine since 1992. Instructed privately by Harley-Davidson engineers, he has taught mechanics, designed tech-school curricula,

and authored mechanic-licensing examinations. He lives in Toronto.

Anything that adds to your knowledge of your desired subject matter is always a plus, but the information that is written in this book by Mr. Petersen is simply amazing. You also benefit by his writing style. It certainly isn't one of "DUMMIES" books, but it takes you from the beginning to the end of the specific subject matter. In this particular book it is the Shovelhead engine. No matter your age there is a specific engine that says Harley Davidson to you and the Shovelhead does it for me. I still like to wrench on mine and have been for some time, but I also like to do it correctly and with a goal in mind. This book allows me to do that. Thank you Donny Petersen.

I'm totally enjoying this book. I've learned a lot of history about Harley-Davidson motor company and I looking forward to learning more as I continue this read.

A classic. Both technical manual, history, how-to all rolled into one. Surprisingly easy to read, but also comprehensive, complete and all-encompassing. Every Harley owner, builder, bike journalist, and mechanic should have one (the full series).I can't wait to get Part II. This and Bill Rook's Torque Monster, along with the shop manual are all you need to soup up a shovelhead.

I had a harder time reading this one than the others, but still am very pleased with the purchase. Without working on these bikes every day one could not find a better way to learn about the ins & outs of Harley than from these books!If you like / live Harley Davidson & really are a gear head that enjoys working on bikes then all of these books are a must read. I learned so much from these books & am thankful for his ability to share his years of experience with us. They are all very well written & are filled with useful information / tips. I anxiously await the completion of this volume set.

Donny is a guru who is committed to imparting his knowledge and wisdom. It's a self-published book, which means the final product might have benefitted somewhat from a professional proofreader, but it also means it was published free of the constraints and negative influences that a publisher would certainly have imposed. Excellent piece of work. Buy this book!

I ride a Twin-Cam. When Donnie describes these, I find the book interesting. When describing the Pans, Knucks & Evos, I'm less interested except from a historical perspective.I like this book because it allows me to have the knowledge & experience of a mechanic of 30+ years without

having to have busted my knuckles for 30+ years. Any person really interested in Harleys should add this to his/her collection.

As an avid Harley Davidson rider and motorcycle mechanic, I was impressed by the author's insight of the technical issues with some of the bikes. I especially like his observations regarding the design changes throughout the years with their effect on the reliability and durability of the bikes.

Every Harley owner should have Donny's books. A wealth of knowledge

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