

# Suzuki Bandit 1200cc Trike

Bob Everitt seeks perfection by design

Due to an accident in 1984 I lost my right arm, paralysed my right leg, and smashed up my knee.

I saw a program on sky TV about trikes (not the big VW ones but the 'bike trikes' as I would call them).

As soon as I saw them I knew I could ride one, so I got on the Webb and got searching and I was gob smacked to find out what I had been missing out on all this time.

I travelled many miles to see all the different models and the different ways the axles and seat arrangements could be done, I realised that most important aspect of a trike was the build quality.

After seeing lots of trikes I finally decided on a company called **Trike Design** (just off the A470) near **Cardiff**.

They (*Hank and Robin*) only build trikes and they are real perfectionists.

I decided on the style of trike I wanted and it took about four fittings to make it just right for me. Fortunately they had an NABD rep doing some work there and he was a great help.

They put the throttle on the left-hand side, the front and rear brakes were linked together on the left foot pedal, the clutch remained where it was.

I also had footplates fitted and a Klicktronic gear-changer kit.

The trike handles great, it took a bit of getting used to going round islands, as the steering gets a bit heavy but I like the very positive feel to the steering.

The brakes are as good as any bike or car I have driven, they fitted a boyas to balance the brakes and are very easy to adjust to suit your style of riding.

**I would like to thank NABD for all their help.**

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