



145ps from a Harley V-Rod? Now you're talking

AUSSIE ROD GETS CHARGED

No sooner had Perth-based performance company Vee Two been sold to Australian Automotive Components (news story Vol 54 No 16) than the first product of the high-tech marriage has rolled off the production line – a supercharged Harley-Davidson V-Rod.

Using the Melbourne International Motor Show (March 3-14) to launch its venture into the two-wheeled world, AAC displayed the modified V-Rod alongside some of its supercharged four-wheel products.

Using a Sprintex supercharger, the Vee Two V-Rod pumps out 145ps at the rear wheel with the bolt-on conversion, which 'hides' beneath the unmodified V-Rod aluminium tank cover.

By way of comparison, AMCN's 2004 road test of a stock VRSCB V-Rod showed a measured rear-wheel output of 109.3ps at 8250rpm from the 1130cc, 60-degree V-twin.

And a big benefit of supercharging is that the extra power is available throughout the rev range, with no turbo-style lag.

"We're looking at a world market for the V-Rod kit, not just Australian sales," commented Sprintex's Jay Upton.

The Sprintex V-Rod kit costs \$6000, and comes with a 12mth/20,000km warranty.

And if the name Jay Upton sounds familiar, it should – Upton is the current Australian Top Bike champion on his Sprintex supercharged Triumph dragbike.