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## **Kore Solves Disc Rotor Fit Issues with ISO Hub**

SEATTLE, WA-Kore's chameleon mountain bike hubs are anything you want them to be. The company uses a removable disc rotor hub that is compatible with Shimano Center Lock or with any ISO six-bolt rotor with a rotor hub swap. Rather than using standard mounting bolts, Kore machined six protruding pins on its ISO hub that fit inside the six-bolt holes on the rotor. A lock-ring tightened the pins. "What shop with any Shimano cassette tool holds the rotor on hasn't had to drill out rotor bolts or had rotors go out of true from uneven bolt pressure?" asked Wick Wickster, Kore's director of sales and promotions. "Our ISO system is not only as easy to use as Shimano's Center Lock system, but it addresses typical service issues dealers have with ISO," he added. The swappable rotor hub, easily swappable axle systems and tubeless rims allow Kore wheels to adapt to any rider or dealer's needs. "We wanted to deliver a wheel system to dealers that could cut down on inventory issues. Our hubs work with any rotor a rider has or a dealer has in stock. And our axle swaps fit all quick-release setups and most front and rear through-axle needs," Wickster said. Kore's Extreem, XCD and Durox wheelsets are priced from \$430 to \$500 depending on tube or tubeless needs.

## **Aussie Company Offers Bike Camping Trailer**

HIGHLAND PARK, Australia—Midget's \$799 Bushtrekka combines a Kamp-Rite pop-up tent cot with a cycling-specific trailer for a complete pull-behind camping solution. The Kamp-Rite tent cot folds down on top of a four-wheel trailer that is stabilized with four outriggers. The tent cot is stored on top so it's always ready to erect. "We've gotten a lot of interest from some of the big sporting goods stores in the design," said Gil Martin, Kamp-Rite's sales manager. "The entire system is fairly light, about 40 pounds, and under the cot there is a large storage area for clothes, pots and pans, food and water, with plenty of space left over," he added. Midget has a single-wheel trailer version, called Trail Rat, to allow simple single-track camping. It retails for about \$700. "Given the popularity of our tent cots, I expect these trailer packages to sell well as retailers are as excited as we are about the concept," Martin said.

## **Wilier Throws Proprietary BB Design into Ring**

ATLANTA, GA—It's been awhile since Gary Fisher stirred things up, spec'ing a 73-millimeter-wide bottom-bracket shell when everyone else was using the standard 68-millimeter width. Then Magic Motorcycle's Alex Pong went wider and larger in diameter, and now Cannondale, FSA, Specialized and Trek have their systems. Wilier's Cento 1 is its proprietary 94-millimeter-wide bottom bracket built to accept



the bearings and cranks of Campagnolo's Ultra-Torque and Fulcrum's Racing Torque cranksets. "A bottom-bracket design often aligns itself with a default choice, and Campy is a partner via the Team Lampre joint sponsorship. Plus, folks want to complement an Italian frameset with Italian components," said Mark Deterline, Wilier's marketing spokesperson. In spite of the wide stance of the bottom-bracket shell, Campagnolo and Fulcrum cranks have narrower Q-factor than most cranks on the market. "Tolerances are so precise, that if there is any paint buildup on the external faces of the BB shell, the Campy Ultra-

Torque or Fulcrum Racing Torque cranks won't install," Deterline said. "Compatibility with other systems like Shimano, SRAM and FSA is accommodated by composite spacers provided by Wilier Triestina," he added.