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THE SYM HD200 WINS THE 2008 SCOOTER CANNONBALL RACE.

The HD200 used under \$200 of gas competing in the over 3,000 mile coast-to-coast race.

Patrick Owens, a veteran scooter rider, won the 2008 coast-to-coast scooter race on an SYM HD 200. The race took place from September 11-20, 2008, and covered over 3,000 miles from San Francisco, Calif., to Ocean City, Md. on Highway 50.

The coast-to-coast scooter race is an endurance race for scooters and motorcycles up to 252cc. It is an endurance test for both machine and rider. The winner of the competition is the rider with the fastest combined time over the 10-day race. This year's winner, Patrick Owens, rode an SYM HD200 supplied by SF Moto (First Kick Scooters) in San Francisco, Cal. The HD 200, produced by Sanyang Industry Co., Ltd. of Taiwan, is powered by a 4 stroke, 4 valve ceramic-coated cylinder engine that is capable of outperforming many larger scooters/bikes due to its outstanding engineering. Patrick and his HD 200 were competing against many top US riders and scooters, including Vespa GTS and GT200, Piaggio MP3 and Skipper, as well as scooters and bikes from Genuine, Honda and Lambretta.

Peter Cervantes, another veteran scooter rider for over 25 years, also road an HD200 in the Cannonball race. Peter was not familiar with the HD 200 just weeks before the ride and was very impressed by this scooter which was loaned to him by April Whitney from Scoot Magazine. Of this experience *Peter Cervantes said, "I was very pleased with the dependability and handling of the HD200. I also ride motorcycles daily, so I enjoyed the larger wheels which gave this scooter better handling than my vintage scooter which has 10 inch wheels."*

One of the most impressive accomplishments of the HD 200 during the race was the fact that neither HD200 experienced any engine issues, unlike many of the other competitors. Most Americans would not consider undertaking a coast-to-coast journey especially on a scooter. The Cannonball Run race not only highlights to Americans the ever increasing interest in scooters, it also showcases the reliability of scooters as an everyday form of transportation. Whether you are riding across the country or just around town, an SYM scooter can get you there, safely, economically and with a lot of fun!

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Through its exclusive U.S. distributor, Carter Brothers Manufacturing Co., Inc., (Brundidge, Ala.), Sanyang Industry Co., Ltd., (SYM) is pleased to offer a full line of 50cc – 300cc scooters to the growing number of Americans who are looking for cost-effective, fuel-efficient, environmentally-friendly, and reliable transportation.

Not to be confused with Chinese importers, Taiwan-based SYM has a rich history of creating quality, innovative products. Manufacturing over one million units a year, sold all over Europe and Asia to people who not only want fun and adventure but who *need* scooters for reliable transportation, SYM has become a leading contender in the worldwide scooter industry.

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