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**PRESS RELEASE**

Selle An-Atomica™ provides Flexfly Support™, Comfort You Can Count On™

Selle An-Atomica™ and Calfee Design carbon tandem carry Team JDRF to Mixed Tandem class win in 2006 Race Across AMerica.

3042.8 miles in 8 days, 5 hours, 56 minutes at an average speed of 15.37 mph!

Hi Tom,

I am in recovery mode these days, contemplating our achievement. I must take this opportunity to comment on your saddles and knowledge on set-up. The saddle was very comfortable which allowed my stoker and me the comfort to do more pulls and more RAAM miles than the team planned. Saddle comfort and position on the bike are certainly key to success in RAAM and for any casual cyclist. One thing that I think is especially important to point out for tandems is the need to take care of the stoker. Thanks to your saddle, Brenda was blissfully comfortable on the bike so she really put out and pedaled like mad. The special nature of Selle An-Atomica design and construction allowed us to switch positions on the bike without changing saddles later in the race. The time you spent with us on the phone and at the start prior to the RAAM made me feel as though you were part of my crew. You paid attention to the details of seat height, tilt, rotation, and tension settings that enabled me to race and win in RAAM again. I believe that anyone who finishes RAAM is a winner! This year was my 6th Team RAAM and third tandem team in RAAM. Danny Chew refers to me as the most versatile team RAAM rider due to my 6 different category finishes and three different RAAM team records. That said I remain forever grateful for your dedication to saddle R&D and our ultimate comfort on the bike.

If there is anything I can do to speak out for your saddles and service please let me know as I would be delighted to support Selle An-Atomica in any meaningful fashion.

Thanks,

Tim Skipper - Team Captain / Team JDRF

Tom,

I have one statement...loved my Selle An-Atomica!!! :-). Wow. I logged 1200 miles and didn't have a single saddle issue. I didn't even have one mile that was uncomfortable! The RAAM adventure/miles were more comfortable than I have ever experienced during any 100 mile ride around town.

You've got a great 'saddle' eye. It's funny that you mentioned seeing the hammock effect my saddle had at the finish line. George, crew chief wanted to tighten the tension setting somewhere in the PA area, if not a few states before that. I suggested we leave it alone since everything was working great. I didn't experience any pressure point issues at any time during RAAM.

I took the saddle to my mechanic here in Dallas yesterday to put it on my solo bike. He tightened the tension. At that time I could really see the hammock effect and look forward to jumping on the bike tomorrow. He couldn't believe the saddle when I took it in. I expressed to everyone in the bike shop mechanic area that it was wonderful and my 'new best friend'! :-)

I'm a HUGE fan of your saddle and have had several club friends here in Dallas ask about booty issues. I showed them my saddle. They are interested. I believe that one happy booty needs to pass it on to another.

It was great to meet you and thank you for all your advise and pointers prior to our departure of RAAM. It was a wonderful experience. I'm ready to do it again next year!

One very happy customer!

Brenda Barnell - Stoker / Team JDRF

Photos by Team JDRF

Three water front photos are traditional rider toe dip in Pacific and Atlantic Oceans.



Oceanside, CA - The Start, June 13, 2006

Team Co-Captain Tim Skipper and super stoker Brenda Barnell



Atlantic City, NJ - The finish, June 21, 2006 11:05pm EST.

Team Co-Captain Tom Hooker with stoker Rachel McGrady in the background.



All that work, a satisfied smile and a lifetime to reminisce.