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GET A GRIP WITH MAXFIT GLOVES



How often have you worked with bare hands in the cold because gloves were too cumbersome? Think replacing a drive belt, spark plug or just stopping to take a winter photo. Have you ever wished you had an additional liner for extra warmth on cold days? Or how about a light glove with a great grip for winter driving or spring riding? You need MaxFit gloves.

I first tried MaxFit while gripping a metal pipe coated in WD40. Someone tried to pull it from my hands. Not a chance – that pipe stuck in my hands like glue, thanks to MaxFit. MaxFit gloves use polymer technology to deliver exceptional grip, dexterity, touch sensitivity and comfort. While protecting my hands from direct exposure to the elements, they are wafer-thin, breathable and fit like a second skin. MaxFit make for easy picking up of nuts and bolts and feeling the shutter button on my camera on cold days. These space-age gloves are intended to supplement, not replace my snowmobile gloves.

MaxFit gloves come in regular and thermal versions, and are also great for other powersports from motorcycling and ATVing

to riding my PWC. I wore mine all summer on my Sea-Doo, both for extra grip and to protect the backs of my hands from sunburn. Also, they are good for angling or hunting. I'm sold on MaxFit and now keep several pairs handy – in my SUV, toolkit, workshop – I even keep a pair in the kitchen to make short work of opening stubborn jar lids. Get your MaxFits at www.selectmarketing.com.

SNOWTRACKER GRIPS THE TRAIL



SnowTracker carbide runners are somewhat cumbersome looking at first glance, but boy oh boy, what a difference they make compared to stock carbides. Simply follow the instructions to install a SnowTracker to the bottom of each ski in place of the original carbides and watch out...no more darting or zigzagging along the trail, plus you'll have much improved steering.

Now you have six cutting devices working for you: a self-sharpening centre carbide runner and two tempered steel blades on each ski. Together, they make multiple cuts in the trail to provide exceptional grip, stability and control, without increased steering effort. Yeah, your sled will sit a little higher on trailer and asphalt because SnowTrackers are deeper than regular carbides,

but on the snow, they settle right in and make it easier to handle your sled. Durability? The guys I ride with put over 7,000 kilometres on our Snowtrackers last winter with no carbide changes. Available from Motovan at www.motovan.com (open Snowmobile Catalogue to Steering & Ski section).

DOUBLE SECURITY FROM LOCKSTRAPS



Many snowmobilers transporting their sleds need good straps to hold them in place. Ideally, there should also be a lock to prevent theft. Lockstraps has taken tie-downs to a whole new level by delivering a strong, adjustable strap that includes its own easy, effective and keyless locking system. A steel cable runs down the full 8.5-foot length of each heavy-duty strap. Each end has a carabineer-style hook with built-in combination lock. Each hook slips through a soft tie extension that prevents any scratches to your tow vehicle or toy of choice. Neat accessories include Lockwraps to protect your locks from road dirt and a Bar Bag to carry your Lockstraps on your handlebars. Lockstraps even has a 24-foot extension that's great for running through multiple sleds for overnight security or to hold down a bunch of sleds on a large trailer. www.lockstraps.com