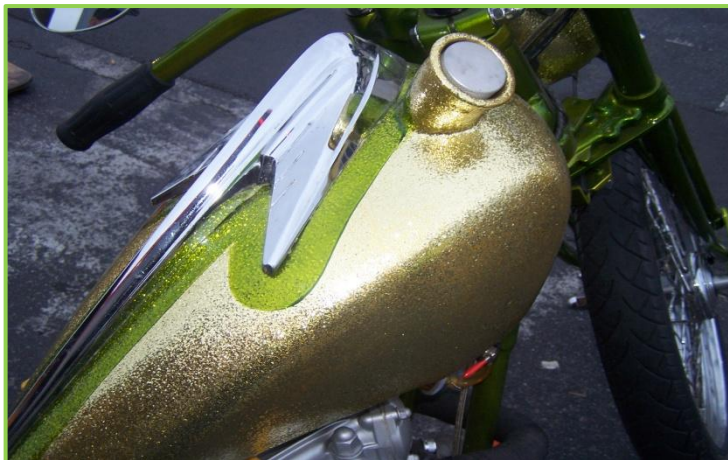






There was a ton of fabrication and modification of parts that went into creating this bike. The leaf-spring front-end is handmade as is the exhaust. Lighting the way up front is a headlight from a 97 Buell M2 Cyclone. The tank is from a 1982 Honda CM250 which was scalloped and retunneled. The motor is from the aforementioned XS 650 and the frame was cut, chopped and completely reworked. If you look closely at the bike you'll see some pretty interesting parts that come from old cars in true old school fashion. The tank ornament is from a 1947 Hudson, and the tail light is off of an old Nash. There are also re-used parts making the bike go, including the cap and rotor from a 69 Super Beetle along with the ignition module which is a 78-87 General Motors HEI. Let's not forget the JJ special which is a Bud Light Lime beer can used as a coil cover.



You can't help but noticed the deep flake gold paint, which looks like actual gold bars were melted all over the body work. Actually the guys sprayed it on themselves; while one guy was shooting the paint another was pumping a large shampoo bottle full of flake into the spray gun. You may also have noticed that this bike uses a hand shifter and atop it is the yellow #1 ball. This is Greg's favorite way to top his hand shifters, as the #2 ball is on his chopper Rrebar and the #3 ball is on his Buell. Greg's hope is to one day have the full rack, and with the way he and the guys are building bikes, I'm sure that will happen. Greg and his friends at Dirty Hands have a great time putting these wild bikes together and you can be sure that you will see more of their wild builds in future editions of GarageBoyz Magazine.

In the meanwhile you can see a full photo history of this build and others at their website <http://www.dirtyhandschoppers.com>.

Dirty Hands Choppers



The guys over at Dirty Hands Choppers have been building some pretty wild stuff. They are not a chopper shop, just a bunch of guys who love to build bikes. The bike you see featured here belongs to Greg and it's one of those bikes that stops you in your tracks and makes you take it all in.

Originally the bike began its life as a 1972 Yamaha XS650 that was purchased by a friend of Greg's. He had plans to make the bike into a sick chopper and had Greg build a frame for the bike's new life, but as projects sometimes go, life got in the way and the project was put on the back burner. Then in 97 Greg was talking with the owner who was now in Florida about the bike, and the next thing you know Greg was the new owner. It came back to our area and was put into the basement until last fall, when it was time to finish what was started. (continued)



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