

Get Ready for Summer

By Carolyn Price

Ergo Comfort Seat

Designed by Tom White, a local design engineer from Carnation, Wash. who was behind the award-winning Boeing 777 cockpit design, the nose-less **Ergo Comfort Seat** is intended for the recreational rider and ergonomically positions you on your "sit" bones while taking pressure off tender tissue and organs. It took about 10 miles to get used to the new sensation of sitting more upright but my ride was very comfortable — and the seat lived up to its name. The Seat, which looks like a small bench with a hump in the middle, comes in three different styles and colors: lycra gel, vinyl and vinyl leather grain finish. From \$29.98 – \$49.98. www.Daedalus-inc.com



Therm-A-Rest DreamTime Mattress

Cascade Designs has topped itself again with its all-new **DreamTime Mattress** — a must for Baby Boomer campers and all those other car-campers who love comfort and a decadent rest. This is luxurious camping at its best. The self-inflating mattress is 3.5-inches high, featuring a layer of body-hugging memory foam over a Thermo-a-Rest and an ultra-soft microfiber cover which is removable and washable. Comes in two widths: 25 inches and 30 inches, x 77 inches long. \$189.95–\$209.95. www.cascadedesigns.com



MSR Flex 4 System

Easily stacking into a one-pot package, the **Flex 4 System** in MSR's Basecamp Cookware line, is a snugly designed system for a group of four, and comes with two non-stick pots, including a pot lid with a built-in strainer, and matching deep-dish plates and insulated mugs. Weighs in light at just over 3.5 pounds. Earned the 2009 *Camping Life* "Editor's Award." \$159.95. Also comes in a Flex 3 System (\$129.95) and Quick 2 Systems (\$79.95) and as individual pieces priced separately. www.cascadedesigns.com



SwiMP3

Take the boredom out of your lap swims with the new 1 GB **SwiMP3** waterproof MP3 player from Finis, Inc. The player holds up to 240 songs and is compatible with both Windows and Mac for easy drag-and-drop transfer. The player, which can hold up to an eight-hour charge, uses bone-conduction technology to transmit high-fidelity sound under water. \$149.99. www.finisinc.com



Anti-Chafe Cream

Good-bye chafing, hello pain-free activity. Blue Steel Sports' **Anti-Chafe Cream** is made with tea tree oil (known to protect against infection) and washes off easily with soap after use. The Anti-Chafe cream provides an effective moisture barrier to protect skin during intense and/or endurance activities. The 3.3-ounce tube sells for \$13.99 while a 6-pack of one-time use single packets retails for \$5.99. www.bluesteelsports.com



Odyssee 60+10 Pack

Millet, a renowned company featuring mountain clothing and backpacks, releases the **Odyssee 60+10** full-feature pack for use in the high mountains any time of the year. The pack comes equipped with many extras including a main compartment with extension, detachable flap, side pockets, compression straps, ice axe holder, document pockets with flaps and many other goodies. \$199. www.milletusa.com



Magellan eXplorist GPS

The game of treasure hunt just got easier with Magellan's newly released **eXplorist GC GPS** navigation unit. Designed exclusively for Geocaching, the waterproof unit features waypoint creation, a worldwide basemap, active tracking, trip odometer, USB cable and brilliant color screen. Powered by two AA batteries which provide up to 18 hours of adventure, the GPC chipset provides accuracy up to three meters. \$199.99. www.magellangps.com

