

## THE BOATS THAT ROCK

Stepping out from his usual idle idyllic of punting down rivers or sunning aboard a superyacht, MATT WHEELER plunges into the crystal waters of extreme watercraft...

ad as it may be, we have to face the fact that the planet is constantly warming, the ice-caps are constantly melting and, eventually, we'll all be living in some kind of Kevin Costner-esque Waterworld... but worse even than that. This of course means that both we, the everyday people of this planet, along with our top scientists need to rapidly work to plan for the future of mankind—where will we live once East Anglia is beneath the waves? What will we drink when all our water is salty and sicky? And, more importantly, what will we speed around in when all our roads are waterlogged to the point that an aqualung becomes an essential part of motoring paraphernalia?

That's right, whilst a boon for owners of flaming Ferrari 458 Italias, the downside will be that all supercars will be of no use anymore. Fortunately though, those aforementioned top boffins have been hard at work designing new extreme machines to suit our new overly moist world; water-based extreme machines; water-based extreme machines such as these...

## SCUBACRAFT SC3

Welsh-based manufacturers Scubacraft didn't pull any punches when they unveiled the SC3 last year, proudly proclaiming their new baby "the world's most advanced watercraft". Well, it'd have to be pretty nifty to justify a claim like that and, frankly, at first glance the hype looks a wee bit inflated. Why it's just a little speedboat, isn't it?

But wait, a closer inspection reveals some telling details that

give away the true genius of the beast – Lo, there are propellers on the outside, above the water! No, don't be stupid, the thing doesn't run on wind power... it goes underwater!

That's right, not only is the SC3 an extremely brisk and eye-catching speedboat that can whisk you along at up to 50mph, it can also take you below the waves and let you go bobbing along – singing a song, if you like – under the beautiful briny sea! Why it even contains the scuba gear itself, allowing the driver and a couple of lucky guests to zip around at 3-knots under the surface... and continue to enjoy the benefits of breathing while they're at it!

With GPS, FM radio and onboard depth control fitted you've got no excuse for a Bermuda-style disappearing act, either – unless that's what you want to do, of course. PRICE: £99,950

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