The 10 Golden Rules of owning an Enduro motorcycle.

Following these tips will help to serve you with a good looking ,reliable and long lasting motorcycle

1. Regularly change your engine oil as well as replacing and cleaning your oil and air filter.Check your engine oil level before each ride.Use good quality oils. They are a lot cheaper than an engine rebuild.Clean your air filter after each ride.

2.Follow the service schedule in the handbook. Keep your own dated and mileage recorded list of when you carried out any maintenance.

3.Don't point your jet wash at the carberettor ,the fuel injection system or the air box , unless you want to strip it down to remove the water that you might force inside !.After every time you wash your GPX , clean the air filter and VERY CAREFULLY remove any water and dirt / dust / mud from inside the air box. Never allow any dirt / dust / mud to be sucked inside the engine, so clean it ALL out , like you have double OCD !.

4.After you wash you bike , dry it .Use an air line , paper or cotton towels or a leaf blower if you have one. Start at the top and down downwards towards the floor, drying the wheels last. Then, sensibly lubricate .

5. Check your controls work correctly and adjust if necessarily.Check / adjust and lubricate your chain before each and every ride.

6. Check nuts / bolts and spokes religiously are tight after each ride.Use loctite. You will get to know which ones to keep an eye on. After the 1000mile chassis run in period you will find that perhaps its only one bolt/ nut or none that come loose . During the run in period , check everything you can reasonably access.This is the riders reponsibility.

7.If you bike starts but isnt running correctly , the problem is likely to be that water from your jet washing or submarine antics (not recommended) have entered your carberettor . This does happen from time to time. This is because water is inside your float bowl at the bottom of your carburettor and is interfering with the fuel supply. Deal with it in 2 minutes at the track side! Turn off the fuel and disconnect the fuel pipe from the petrol tank. Drain the carburettor using a flat ended screwdriver to undo the float bowl drain screw. Blow / 5 psi air line down the fuel pipe for 10 seconds. Tighten drain screw. Blow again to force air through the jets, cleaning them. Turn on fuel.
If you are in your garage / workshop or have more time, remove the float bowl, clear the water out, make sure the jets are clear and reinstall float bowl. This should be part of your regular maintenance on any off road motorcycle.
If this doesnt cure your running issue , replace the spark plug with a new one.

8.Lightweight dirtbikes are not like cars.They need adjusting , tweaking and maintaining regularly. Its just part of the fun. Speak to your dealer if you want reliable advice.

9.If you are not confident or don't know how to maintain a motorcycle speak to your dealer, or seasoned motorcycle mechanics , not your neighbour .

10Read you manual. Use common sense.If your unsure about anything …STOP and get good advice.

11Run is your new motorcycle carefully to allow the engine to bed in properly . For the first 7 times you ride it , do not take the revs about 6000rpm for more than a few seconds at a time. Treat the engine very carefully for this time. This will reward you with a long lasting a reliable engine.