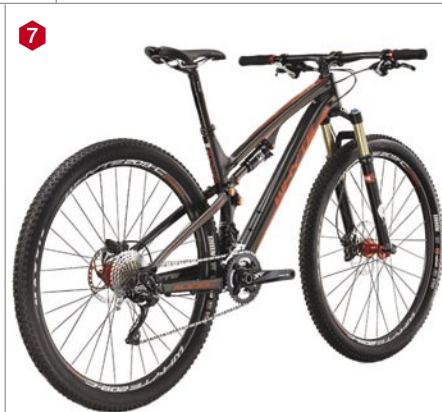


# SHOW TIME

The Cycle Show takes place at Birmingham's NEC from 26-28 September – see [cycleshow.co.uk](http://cycleshow.co.uk). Here are some things Editor **Dan Joyce** wants a closer look at.



Left: Cycleshow.co.uk



## 1. HOPE FOR PRESSFIT BBs

If I had a bike with a pressfit BB, I'd fit something like this: it screws together, holding the bearing cups in place to stop creaking or premature wear.

**Stand G42** [hopetech.com](http://hopetech.com)

## 2. SENSIBLE CITY BIKES

Practical bikes are rare at UK bike shows, so I'm glad Gazelle will be exhibiting bikes like the Esprit, a sub-£500 3-speed with a dynamo hub.

**Stand K127** [gazellebikes.com](http://gazellebikes.com)

## 3. MINIMALIST TOOLKIT

Multitools get reinvented like mousetraps. This one is three tyre levers with sockets for Allen bolts, Torx bits, and screwdriver heads, plus spoke keys, storage for quick-links, and more.

**Stand H27** [stique.co.uk](http://stique.co.uk)

## 4. REFLECTING ON PANNIERS

Ortlieb's new High Visibility bags (Front Roller, Back Roller, Ultimate6 bar bag, Office Bag) have reflective thread interwoven through the outer fabric, making the whole bag reflective.

**Stand G143 (Lyon Equipment)** [ortlieb.com](http://ortlieb.com)

## 5. MUSIC IN YOUR BONES

Aftershokz headphones are a solution for cyclists who want to listen to music but don't want to be deaf to traffic. They fit in front of your ears and conduct sound via your cheek bones. Odd.

**Stand M21** [aftershokz.co.uk](http://aftershokz.co.uk)

## 6. WINTER IS COMING

It's only September but the cold weather is on its way. Northwave's snug Arctic Commuter GTX Boots come in MTB and road versions.

**Stand L12** [i-ride.co.uk](http://i-ride.co.uk)

## 7. WHYTE MAGIC

Whyte's bikes are well suited to UK trails and conditions. This year's M109 CS is a carbon version of my own bike. I'll kick its tyres, at least...

**Stand J71** [whyte.bike](http://whyte.bike)