PHILIP NEILL - TEAM PRINCIPAL:

The 2007/8 GSX-R1000 was arguably the best machine Suzuki had produced to date and Cameron quickly gelled with our bikes during pre-season testing. It was already clear 'Cam' was a potential future TT winner and together we put one-hundred percent into our preparation, including some early season BSB appearances and several late winter days, circulating around the TT circuit on a GSX-R600 road bike. The pre-event TT course inspection visit also delivered a surprise for a few local 'wannabe' racers, after attempting to show a heavily disguised Cam the way over the Mountain! You can imagine their surprise when he removed his plain AGV helmet at the end of the lap on open roads with every-day traffic, to greet them with that trademark smile and Aussie quip, 'G'day!'

That trip certainly helped Cam, as he was a dominant force at the 2008 TT and along with the early season preparation, helped secure a fifth straight TT Superstock win for TAS Racing. He also added the TT Superbike win to our collection and may well have landed the coveted Senior TT race, but for a cracked oil sump following a heavy landing through the bottom of Barregarrow.





GSX-R1000 SUZUKI

ameron's third place at the International North West 200 could so easily have been his maiden win at the Northern Irish International road racing circuit. He and then team-mate Bruce Anstey were disputing the lead throughout, but tripped each other up into the final Juniper Hill chicane, ironically offering Alastair Seeley the chance to grab his maiden NW200 win. Seeley went on to join TAS Racing in 2009, winning the British, National 1000cc Superstock series on a Relentless Suzuki and now boasts the most wins at the International North West 200. 16 of his 24 wins coming on TAS Racing prepared machinery.

Cameron's win at the Isle of Man TT on the GSX-R1000 Suzuki in the Superstock class was his second of the week in 2008 for TAS Racing. They would turn out to be the Australian's only TT career victories despite securing a total of 10 podiums at the world-renowned event during his 11-year tenure. Cameron won by 15.07sec and set the fastest lap of the 2008 Superstock TT race with a speed of 127.544mph.



// SPECIFICATION

▶ RIDER

Cameron Donald [Aus]

SPECIFICATION:
Superstock

▶ BHP:

188 [Leo Vince bespoke exhaust]

>> TYRES: Metzeler

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>> SUSPENSION:

K-Tech front and Showa rear

MAIN SPONSORS:

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>> RESULTS HIGHLIGHTS:

2008 International North West 200 Superstock Race: third place

2008 Isle of Man TT Superstock Race: winner

2008 Ulster Grand Prix: rained off