

Fiat Yamaha Team

Machine: Yamaha YZR-M1 Web: www.yamaha-racing.com

**Valentino Rossi Bike number 46**

Age: 31 DOB: 16/2/1979 Nationality: Italian
GP Debut: RSA00 (500cc) GP Starts: 167 (MotoGP/500cc)
Wins: 77 Poles: 48 Fastest laps: 63 Podiums: 128 Points: 3084
Best championship position: 1st (x7, 2009*)

**Jorge Lorenzo Bike number 99**

Age: 22 DOB: 4/5/1987 Nationality: Spanish
GP Debut: QAT08 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 34 (MotoGP)
Wins: 5 Poles: 9 Fastest laps: 5 Podiums: 18 Points: 451
Best championship position: 2nd (2009)

Repsol Honda Team

Machine: Honda RC212V Web: www.world.honda.com/motogp

**Dani Pedrosa Bike number 26**

Age: 24 DOB: 29/9/1985 Nationality: Spanish
GP Debut: SPA06 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 69 (MotoGP)
Wins: 8 Poles: 13 Fastest laps: 14 Podiums: 38 Points: 940
Best championship position: 2nd (2007)

**Andrea Dovizioso Bike number 4**

Age: 24 DOB: 23/3/1986 Nationality: Italian
GP Debut: QAT08 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 35 (MotoGP)
Wins: 1 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 2 Points: 334
Best championship position: 5th (2008)

Ducati Team

Machine: Ducati Desmosedici GP10 Web: www.ducati.com

**Casey Stoner Bike number 27**

Age: 24 DOB: 16/10/1985 Nationality: Australian
GP Debut: SPA06 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 65 (MotoGP)
Wins: 20 Poles: 18 Fastest laps: 17 Podiums: 34 Points: 986
Best championship position: 1st (2007)

**Nicky Hayden Bike number 69**

Age: 28 DOB: 30/7/1981 Nationality: American
GP Debut: JPN03 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 116 (MotoGP)
Wins: 3 Poles: 5 Fastest laps: 6 Podiums: 26 Points: 1091
Best championship position: 1st (2006)

Monster Yamaha Tech 3

Machine: Yamaha YZR-M1 Web: www.teamtech3.fr

**Colin Edwards Bike number 5**

Age: 36 DOB: 27/2/1974 Nationality: American
GP Debut: JPN03 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 119 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 3 Fastest laps: 3 Podiums: 11 Points: 951
Best championship position: 4th (2005)

**Ben Spies Bike number 11**

Age: 25 DOB: 11/7/1984 Nationality: American
GP Debut: GBR08 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 4 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0 Points: 29
Best championship position: 19th (2008)

San Carlo Honda Gresini

Machine: Honda RC212V Web: www.gresiniracing.com

**Marco Melandri Bike number 33**

Age: 37 DOB: 7/8/1982 Nationality: Italian
GP Debut: JPN03 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 114 (MotoGP)
Wins: 5 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 3 Podiums: 20 Points: 914
Best championship position: 2nd (2005)

**Marco Simoncelli Bike number 58**

Age: 23 DOB: 20/1/1987 Nationality: Italian
GP Debut: QAT10 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 0 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0 Points: 0
Best championship position: NA

Rizla Suzuki MotoGP

Machine: Suzuki GSV-R Web: www.rizla-suzuki-motogp.co.uk

**Loris Capirossi Bike number 65**

Age: 37 DOB: 4/4/1973 Nationality: Italian
GP Debut: AUS95 (500cc) GP Starts: 188 (MotoGP/500cc)
Wins: 9 Poles: 13 Fastest laps: 10 Podiums: 42 Points: 1753
Best championship position: 3rd (2006*)

**Alvaro Bautista Bike number 19**

Age: 25 DOB: 21/1/1984 Nationality: Spanish
GP Debut: QAT10 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 0 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0 Points: 0
Best championship position: NA

Pramac Racing Team

Machine: Ducati Desmosedici GP10 Web: www.pramacracing.com

**Mika Kallio Bike number 36**

Age: 27 DOB: 8/11/1982 Nationality: Finnish
GP Debut: QAT09 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 10 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0 Points: 71
Best championship position: 15th (2009)

**Aleix Espargaro Bike number 41**

Age: 20 DOB: 30/7/1989 Nationality: Spanish
GP Debut: IND09 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 4 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0 Points: 16
Best championship position: 18th (2009)

LCR Honda MotoGP

Machine: Honda RC212V Web: www.lcr.mc

**Randy De Puniet Bike number 14**

Age: 29 DOB: 14/2/1981 Nationality: French
GP Debut: SPA06 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 70 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 2 Points: 312
Best championship position: 11th (2009*)

Web: www.interwetten-honda-motogp.com

Interwetten Honda MotoGP

Machine: Honda RC212V

**Hiroshi Aoyama Bike number 7**

Age: 28 DOB: 25/10/1981 Nationality: Japanese
GP Debut: QAT10 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 0 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0 Points: 0
Best championship position: NA

Machine: Ducati Desmosedici GP10

Paginas Amarillas Aspar

Web: www.teamaspar.net

**Hector Barbera Bike number 40**

Age: 23 DOB: 2/11/1986 Nationality: Spanish
GP Debut: QAT10 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 0 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0 Points: 0
Best championship position: NA

FACT

Bridgestone's tyres must work across a wide range of conditions in Qatar. As the desert sun sets and the temperature falls throughout the evening, the track temperature can drop by almost ten degrees Celsius from 1800hrs to 0000hrs.

TOP RESULTS ON BRIDGESTONE TYRES

RIDER	TITLES	WINS	2NDs	3RDs	PODIUMS	POLES
Valentino Rossi	2	15	10	4	29	9
Casey Stoner	1	20	6	7	33	17
Loris Capirossi	-	6	7	4	17	5
Jorge Lorenzo	-	4	5	3	12	5
Dani Pedrosa	-	2	5	7	14	3
Makoto Tamada	-	2	1	1	4	3
Chris Vermeulen	-	1	3	3	7	3
Troy Bayliss	-	1	-	-	1	-
Andrea Dovizioso	-	1	-	-	1	-
Marco Melandri	-	-	3	1	4	-
Toni Elias	-	-	2	3	5	-
John Hopkins	-	-	1	3	4	1
Shinya Nakano	-	-	1	1	2	-
Randy de Puniet	-	-	1	1	2	-
Kenny Roberts Jr	-	-	1	-	1	1
Alex de Angelis	-	-	1	-	1	-
Colin Edwards	-	-	1	-	1	-
Oliver Jacque	-	-	1	-	1	-
Carlos Checa	-	-	-	2	2	-
Nicky Hayden	-	-	-	1	1	-
Alex Barros	-	-	-	1	1	-
Jeremy McWilliams	-	-	-	-	0	1
Sete Gibernau	-	-	-	-	0	1
TOTAL	3	52	49	42	143	49

Current riders in black

A : Reason retired B : Final race position C : Grid position D : Championship points F : Front tyre choice at start R : Rear tyre choice at start ●● : Tyre changes AC : Accident DQ : Disqualified RT : Retired TC : Technical DNS : Did not start

RACE KEY					CALENDAR & RIDERS' CHAMPIONSHIP																									
A P R E S E N T					B C D																									
AVAILABLE TYRE COMPOUNDS:					○ Soft ● Medium ● Hard ● Extra Hard ● Wet					Losail	Motegi	Jerez	Le Mans	Mugello	Silverstone	Assen	Catalunya	Sachsenring	Laguna Seca	Brno	Indianapolis	Misano	Motorland Aragon	Sepang	Phillip Island	Estoril	Valencia			
					QAT	JPN	SPA	FRA	ITA	GBR	HOL	CAT	GER	USA	CZE	IND	RSM	ARA	MAL	AUS	POR	VAL								
																														
					11/04/10	25/04/10	02/05/10	23/05/10	06/06/10	20/06/10	26/06/10	04/07/10	18/07/10	25/07/10	15/08/10	29/08/10	05/09/10	19/09/10	10/10/10	17/10/10	31/10/10	07/11/10								
ALLOCATED - FRONT TYRES					● Medium ● Ex. Hard					○ Soft ● Medium																				
ALLOCATED - REAR TYRES					● Medium ○ Hard					○ Soft ● Medium																				
RACE WEATHER CONDITIONS																														
RACE TRACK CONDITIONS																														
POS - RIDER		TOTAL WINS PODIUM	PTS	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18									
1 Valentino Rossi (46)		W - PD -	-																											
2 Jorge Lorenzo (99)		W - PD -	-																											
3 Dani Pedrosa (26)		W - PD -	-																											
4 Casey Stoner (27)		W - PD -	-																											
5 Colin Edwards (5)		W - PD -	-																											
6 Andrea Dovizioso (4)		W - PD -	-																											
7 Loris Capirossi (65)		W - PD -	-																											
8 Marco Melandri (33)		W - PD -	-																											
9 Randy De Puniet (14)		W - PD -	-																											
10 Nicky Hayden (69)		W - PD -	-																											
11 Mika Kallio (36)		W - PD -	-																											
12 Aleix Espargaro (41)		W - PD -	-																											
13 Ben Spies (11)		W - PD -	-																											
14 Hiroshi Aoyama (7)		W - PD -	-																											
15 Alvaro Bautista (19)		W - PD -	-																											
16 Hector Barbera (40)		W - PD -	-																											
17 Marco Simoncelli (58)		W - PD -	-																											

TEAMS' CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Fiat Yamaha Team - 0

2. Repsol Honda Team - 0
3. Ducati Team - 0

4. Monster Yamaha Tech 3 - 0
5. San Carlo Honda Gresini - 0

6. Rizla Suzuki MotoGP - 0
7. LCR Honda MotoGP - 0

8. Pramac Racing - 0
9. Interwetten Honda MotoGP - 0

10. Paginas Amarillas Aspar - 0

CONSTRUCTORS' CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Yamaha - 0
2. Honda - 0
3. Ducati - 0
4. Suzuki - 0

RESULTS ON BRIDGESTONE TYRES BY SEASON							
YEAR	TEAM AND RIDERS	RACES	CHAMPIONSHIP	TEAMS	WINS	POLES	PODIUMS
2002	2 Teams - 3 Riders	16	12th (Aoki)	7th (Proton)	0 (best 5th)	1	0
2003	2 Teams - 3 Riders	16	11th (Tamada)	9th (Pramac)	0 (best 3rd)	0	1
2004	3 Teams - 5 Riders	16	6th (Tamada)	3rd (Camel)	2 (x2 Tamada)	4	4
2005	3 Teams - 7 Riders	17	6th (Capirossi)	4th (Ducati)	2 (x2 Capirossi)	3	8
2006	3 Teams - 8 Riders	17	3rd (Capirossi)	3rd (Ducati)	4 (x3 Capirossi) (x1 Bayliss)	6	11
2007	5 Teams - 12 Riders	18	1st (Stoner)	1st (Ducati)	12 (x10 Stoner) (x1 Vermeulen) (x1 Capirossi)	6	33
2008	7 Teams - 13 Riders	18	1st (Rossi)	1st (Yamaha)	15 (x9 Rossi) (x6 Stoner)	12	35
2009	12 Teams - 22 Riders	17	1st (Rossi)	1st (Yamaha)	17 (x6 Rossi) (x4 Lorenzo) (x4 Stoner) (x2 Pedrosa) (x1 Dovizioso)	17	51
2010	10 Teams - 17 Riders						
TOTAL		135	3	3	52	49	143

BRIDGESTONE NEWS

A SPECIAL CHARACTER FOR QATAR

Bridgestone's extra hard compound front slick tyre selected for the opening round of the 2010 MotoGP season in Qatar has been developed specially to cope with the issue of graining which is a challenge of the desert track. "Our extra hard front tyre has been designed with a special character to provide greater resistance to graining whilst delivering good performance in a similar temperature working range to our hard compound slick" said Tohru Ubukata.



BATTLAX TYRES BENEFIT FROM MOTOGP

Bridgestone's latest sport-touring motorcycle tyre, the BT-023, has just been launched to great acclaim. Bridgestone's Battlax motorcycle road tyres owe a lot to the data gained from MotoGP. The recent testing of the experimental front tyre in the Malaysian and Qatari pre-season tests is a good example. "The tests provided some very valuable data that will not only help shape the future direction of our MotoGP tyre development, but also of our Battlax production tyres like BT023" said Tohru Ubukata.



BRIDGESTONE COMMITTED TO ROAD SAFETY

Bridgestone has strengthened its commitment to the European Union's Road Safety Charter initiative to reduce road casualties by continuing to offer free tyre safety checks and education on the importance of correct and regular tyre maintenance. Bridgestone has promised at least 30,000 free tyre checks in 2010, combined with the distribution of up to 50,000 free tyre pressure gauges, offered at various public places such as car parks, shopping centres, petrol stations and dealerships.



LAST YEAR'S RACE - QATAR, LOSAIL 2009

FASTEST RACE LAP:
Casey Stoner, Ducati - Lap 2 - Average speed: 167.190 km/h - Time: 1m 55.844s

2009 QUALIFYING TIMES						2009 RACE RESULTS					
POS	RIDER	TEAM	TOP KM/H	TIME	GAP	POS	RIDER	TEAM	AVG KM/H	TIME	GAP
1	Casey Stoner	Ducati Team	337.2	1m55.286s		1	Casey Stoner	Ducati Team	165.5	42m53.984s	
2	Valentino Rossi	Fiat Yamaha Team	334.2	1m55.759s	+0.473s	2	Valentino Rossi	Fiat Yamaha Team	165.0	43m01.755s	+7.771s
3	Jorge Lorenzo	Fiat Yamaha Team	337.0	1m55.783s	+0.497s	3	Jorge Lorenzo	Fiat Yamaha Team	164.5	43m10.228s	+16.244s
4	Andrea Dovizioso	Repsol Honda Team	333.6	1m55.977s	+0.691s	4	Colin Edwards	Monster Yamaha Tech 3	164.0	43m18.394s	+24.410s
5	Loris Capirossi	Rizla Suzuki MotoGP	332.5	1m56.149s	+0.863s	5	Andrea Dovizioso	Repsol Honda Team	163.8	43m21.247s	+27.263s
6	Colin Edwards	Monster Yamaha Tech 3	330.9	1m56.194s	+0.908s	6	Alex De Angelis	San Carlo Honda Gresini	163.6	43m23.867s	+29.883s
7	Randy De Puniet	LCR Honda MotoGP	327.9	1m56.358s	+1.072s	7	Chris Vermeulen	Rizla Suzuki MotoGP	163.4	43m27.611s	+33.627s
8	Chris Vermeulen	Rizla Suzuki MotoGP	325.8	1m56.493s	+1.207s	8	Mika Kallio	Pramac Racing	163.3	43m28.739s	+34.755s
9	Alex De Angelis	San Carlo Honda Gresini	332.1	1m56.790s	+1.504s	9	Toni Elias	San Carlo Honda Gresini	163.0	43m33.465s	+39.481s
10	Mika Kallio	Pramac Racing	338.0	1m56.852s	+1.566s	10	Randy De Puniet	LCR Honda MotoGP	162.9	43m36.268s	+42.284s
11	Marco Melandri	Hayate Racing Team	331.0	1m56.962s	+1.676s	11	Dani Pedrosa	Repsol Honda Team	162.5	43m42.510s	+48.526s
12	Toni Elias	San Carlo Honda Gresini	333.8	1m57.225s	+1.939s	12	Nicky Hayden	Ducati Team	162.5	43m42.867s	+48.883s
13	James Toseland	Monster Yamaha Tech 3	328.6	1m57.510s	+2.224s	13	Sete Gibernau	Grupo Francisco Hernando	162.2	43m46.199s	+52.215s
14	Dani Pedrosa	Repsol Honda Team	338.6	1m57.729s	+2.443s	14	Marco Melandri	Hayate Racing Team	162.0	43m50.363s	+56.379s
15	Sete Gibernau	Grupo Francisco Hernando	330.9	1m57.899s	+2.613s	15	Yuki Takahashi	Scot Racing Team MotoGP	161.8	43m54.270s	+60.286s
16	Nicky Hayden	Ducati Team	332.6	1m58.215s	+2.929s	16	James Toseland	Monster Yamaha Tech 3	160.9	44m08.962s	+74.978s
17	Yuki Takahashi	Scot Racing Team	328.0	1m58.784s	+3.498s	17	Niccolo Canepa	Pramac Racing	160.9	44m09.012s	+75.028s
18	Niccolo Canepa	Pramac Racing	328.5	1m58.999s	+3.713s	NC	Loris Capirossi	Rizla Suzuki MotoGP	163.4	13m49.501s	+15 Laps

FACT

The Qatar Grand Prix has featured on the MotoGP calendar six times but has only been run at night since 2008. Half of the grands prix held at Losail have been won by a Bridgestone-shod rider, specifically Casey Stoner on a Ducati.



BRIDGESTONE MOTORSPORT ROUND-UP

F1 Jenson Button won the Australian Grand Prix to climb to third in the Drivers' Championship, just ahead of McLaren teammate Lewis Hamilton. After his win in Bahrain, Fernando Alonso still leads the championship ahead of Ferrari teammate Felipe Massa who has finished on the podium in both races.

GP2 France's Paul Ricard Circuit played host to a three day GP2 Series test between 23-25 March. Rapax Team driver Pastor Maldonado topped the timing sheets on all three days of testing. The GP2 paddock will gather again in Barcelona for the final pre-season collective test from 7-9 April.

IndyCar Will Power won the opening round of the 2010 season in Sao Paulo, and was triumphant again at a rain-delayed Grand Prix of St Petersburg, Florida. Next up is a visit to the Barber Motorsports Park for the inaugural Indy Grand Prix of Alabama, taking place on Sunday 11 April.

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