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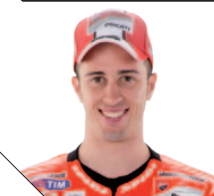
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Losail

MotoGP™ Riders Profile

	CAREER	2013
Starts	186 (88 x MotoGP, 49 x 250, 49 x 125)	0
Wins/best result	10 (1 x MotoGP, 4 x 250, 5 x 125)	-
Podiums	63 (22 x MotoGP, 26 x 250, 15 x 125)	0
Poles/best grid	14 (1 x MotoGP, 4 x 250, 9 x 125)	-
Last Win	GBR/09	-
Last Podium	ARA/12/3rd	-
Last Pole	JPN/10	-

4. Andrea Dovizioso



Age: 27

- » Dovizioso finished on the podium on three occasions at Qatar when riding in the smaller classes; in the 125cc class in 2004 and the 250cc class in 2005 and 2006
- » In 2008 he was 4th in Qatar on his debut in the MotoGP class and in 2009 was the first Honda rider across the line in 5th
- » In 2010 he had his only podium in the MotoGP class in Qatar, finishing 3rd, after briefly leading mid-race, and was the only Honda rider to finish in the top five
- » In 2011 he finished 4th, less than a second behind team mate Pedrosa and last year was 5th first time out on a Yamaha
- » Has not qualified on the front row at Qatar since he was 2nd on the grid there in the 125cc class back in 2004 but has finished in the top five there for the last nine years across all three GP classes

	CAREER	2013
Starts	168 – all MotoGP	0
Best result	2nd x 5	-
Podiums	12 (12 x MotoGP)	0
Poles/best grid	3 (3 x MotoGP)	-
Last Win	-	-
Last Podium	GBR/11/3rd	-
Last Pole	CHN/08	-

5. Colin Edwards

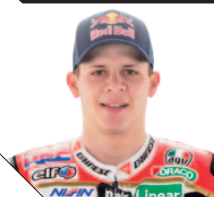


Age: 39

- » Edwards' only podium finish in Qatar was in 2004, when he finished second behind his then team-mate in the Gresini-Honda team, Sete Gibernau
- » Finished 12th last year in Qatar - the first time that he has failed to finish in the top ten at the Losail circuit since it appeared on the calendar
- » Is one of just three riders to have competed in all nine MotoGP races held at the Losail circuit, along with Rossi and Hayden

	CAREER	2013
Starts	105 (18 x MotoGP, 33 x Moto2™, 54 x 125)	0
Wins/best result	7 (5 x Moto2, 2 x 125) (4th in MotoGP)	-
Podiums	18 (12 x Moto2, 6 x 125)	0
Poles/best grid	7 (7 x Moto2) (4th in MotoGP)	-
Last Win	GBR/11 (Moto2)	-
Last Podium	MAL/11/2nd (Moto2)	-
Last Pole	RSM/11 (Moto2)	-

6. Stefan Bradl



Age: 23

- » Bradl's third place finish in the 125cc race at Qatar in 2008 was his first ever podium in Grand Prix racing
- » In 2010 he qualified on the front row at Qatar for the first ever Moto2 race but crashed at turn two when De Angelis high-sided in front of him
- » In 2011 he qualified on pole and won the opening Moto2 race of the season in Qatar
- » He made his debut in the MotoGP class last year in Qatar, qualifying in 9th place on the grid and finishing 8th

	CAREER	2013
Starts	134 (30 x MotoGP, 104 x 250)	0
Wins/best result	9 - all 250cc (4th in MotoGP)	-
Podiums	27 - all 250cc	0
Poles/best grid	8 (8 x 250cc) (7th in MotoGP)	-
Last Win	MAL/09 (250cc)	-
Last Podium	MAL/09/1st (250cc)	-
Last Pole	MAL/09	-

7. Hiroshi Aoyama



Age: 31

- » Aoyama's only podium finish in Qatar was 3rd in the 250cc race in 2004 on a Honda
- » In 2010 he finished 10th at Qatar, which was the best result of the four riders making their debut in the MotoGP class that day
- » In 2011 he finished 10th for the second successive year in the MotoGP race at Qatar
- » Did not compete in the MotoGP race at Qatar last year

	CAREER	2013
Starts	171 (49 x MotoGP, 75 x 250, 47 x 125)	0
Wins/best result	10 (4 x 250, 6 x 125) (6th in MotoGP)	-
Podiums	32 (20 x 250, 12 x 125)	0
Poles/best grid	9 (8 x 250, 1 x 125) (3rd in MotoGP)	-
Last Win	VAL/09 (250cc)	-
Last Podium	VAL/09/1st (250cc)	-
Last Pole	POR/09 (250cc)	-

8. Hector Barbera



Age: 26

- » Barbera finished on the podium in the 250cc class in Qatar on three occasions; 3rd in 2007, 2nd in 2008 and a victory in 2009
- » Finished 12th in 2010 at Qatar, when making his MotoGP debut
- » Qualified 6th on the grid in 2011 at Qatar & highest placed Ducati – the first time that a satellite Ducati rider had out-qualified both factory bikes in the 800cc era of MotoGP
- » In 2011 competed for 6th at Qatar early in the race, but steadily dropped back through the field to finish 12th
- » Was 8th on the grid last year in Qatar and finished 9th

	CAREER	2013
Starts	18 – all MotoGP	0
Best result	8th	-
Podiums	0	0
Best grid	15th	-
Last Win	-	-
Last Podium	-	-
Last Pole	-	-

9. Danilo Petrucci



Age: 22

- » Petrucci made his MotoGP debut last year at the Qatar event
- » He failed to finish the race last year due to mechanical problems, after qualifying in 19th place on the grid

	CAREER	2013
Starts	53 – all MotoGP	0
Wins/best result	1 (1 x MotoGP)	-
Podiums	6 (6 x MotoGP)	0
Poles/best grid	1 (1 x MotoGP)	-
Last Win	NED/11	-
Last Podium	VAL/11/2nd	-
Last Pole	INP/10	-

11. Ben Spies



Age: 28

- » Spies won both World Superbike races in 2009 on his first appearance at the Losail circuit
- » In 2010 he finished 5th in Qatar and first rookie rider across the line
- » Finished 6th in Qatar in 2011, after a slow start left him down in 8th at the end of the first lap from 5th place on the grid
- » Qualified in 4th place on the grid last year in Qatar, but dropped back through the race to finish 11th

	CAREER	2013
Starts	234 (121 x MotoGP, 80 x 250, 33 x 125)	0
Wins/best result	5 (5 x 250cc) (2nd in MotoGP)	-
Podiums	24 (2 x MotoGP, 22 x 250)	0
Poles/best grid	9 (9 x 250cc) (2nd in MotoGP)	-
Last Win	GBR/05 (250cc)	-
Last Podium	GBR/09/3rd	-
Last Pole	POR/05 (250cc)	-

14. Randy de Puniet



Age: 32

- » De Puniet's best result at the Losail circuit was in 2010 when he finished 6th after qualifying as top Honda rider on the grid in 4th place
- » In 2011 De Puniet qualified in 11th place in Qatar, in his first outing on a Ducati, but crashed out of the race on the first lap
- » Last year the Qatar race was his first on the new ART machine
- » He qualified 14th last year but finished the first lap down in 17th before making some passes to finish the race in 13th place

	CAREER	2013
Starts	122 (30 x MotoGP, 61 x 250/Moto2, 31 x 125)	0
Wins/best result	1 (1 x Moto2) (7th in MotoGP)	-
Podiums	2 (2 x Moto2)	0
Best grid	5th – 250cc (6th in MotoGP)	-
Last Win	VAL/10 (Moto2)	-
Last Podium	VAL/10/1st (Moto2)	-
Last Pole	-	-

- » Seventh in the 250cc race in 2008 is Abraham's best result at the Losail circuit
- » In 2010 he made his MotoGP debut at the Qatar GP and finished 13th, less than 4 seconds behind top satellite Ducati rider Hector Barbera
- » Last year in Qatar he qualified 10th, but retired from the race after seven laps with brake problems

17. Karel Abraham



Age: 23

	CAREER	2013
Starts	166 (50 x MotoGP, 49 x 250, 67 x 125)	0
Wins/best result	16 (8 x 250, 8 x 125) (3rd in MotoGP)	-
Podiums	48 (2 x MotoGP, 28 x 250, 18 x 125)	0
Poles/best grid	18 (1 x MotoGP, 9 x 250, 8 x 125)	-
Last Win	CAT/09 (250cc)	-
Last Podium	JPN/12/3rd	-
Last Pole	GBR/12	-

- » Bautista won the 125cc GP in Qatar in 2006 on his way to becoming world champion, but has not finished higher than 6th at the Losail circuit since
- » Has twice started from pole in Qatar; in the 125cc class in 2006 and the 250cc class in 2009
- » In 2010 he made his MotoGP debut in Qatar, but crashed at the final corner while battling with fellow rookie Simoncelli
- » Did not make the start of the race in 2010 after he crashed in the third free practice session and broke his femur
- » The race at Qatar last year was his first in the top class on a Honda - he qualified 11th and finished 7th

19. Alvaro Bautista



Age: 28

	CAREER	2013
Starts	194 (116 x MotoGP, 32 x 250, 46 x 125)	0
Wins/best result	45 (22 x MotoGP, 15 x 250, 8 x 125)	-
Podiums	112 (71 x MotoGP, 24 x 250, 17 x 125)	0
Poles/best grid	42 (24 x MotoGP, 9 x 250, 9 x 125)	-
Last Win	VAL/12	-
Last Podium	VAL/12/1st	-
Last Pole	VAL/12	-

- » Losail is one of only two current circuits, which have been used previously for GP, where Pedrosa has not had a victory in any class of GP racing - the other is Silverstone
- » Has four times finished on the podium in the MotoGP class at Losail; 3rd in 2007, 2008 & 2011, and last year he was second
- » Qualified 2nd on the grid in Qatar in 2011 and led the race from laps six to eleven, before he was troubled by a shoulder injury from the previous season
- » Last year he qualified down in 7th place on the grid but got a great start to be up to 2nd place by the first corner

26. Dani Pedrosa

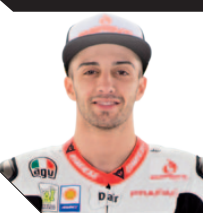


Age: 27

	CAREER	2013
Starts	128 (51 x Moto2, 77 x 125)	0
Wins/best result	12 (8 x Moto2, 4 x 125)	-
Podiums	24 (19 x Moto2, 5 x 125)	0
Poles/best grid	8 (5 x Moto2, 3 x 125)	-
Last Win	ITA/12 (Moto2)	-
Last Podium	RSM/12/3rd (Moto2)	-
Last Pole	ARA/10 (Moto2)	-

- » Iannone won the 125cc race at the Qatar Grand Prix in 2009
- » He finished second in the Moto2 race in Qatar in 2011, after qualifying down in 16th place on the grid
- » Finished 2nd again in the Moto2 race at Qatar last year, after leading for three laps in the middle of the race

29. Andrea Iannone

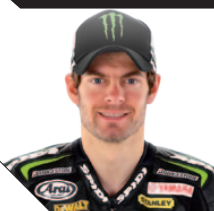


Age: 23

	CAREER	2013
Starts	34 – all MotoGP	0
Best result	3rd x 2	-
Podiums	2 (2 x MotoGP)	0
Best grid	2nd	-
Last Win	-	-
Last Podium	AUS/12/3rd	-
Last Pole	-	-

- » Crutchlow finished 3rd in the World Supersport race in Qatar in 2009
- » Made his MotoGP debut in 2010 at the Qatar GP - qualified in 8th place on the grid and finished 11th
- » Last year in Qatar he qualified on the front row for the first time in MotoGP and finished first satellite bike rider across the line in 4th, equalling his best GP result at that time

35. Cal Crutchlow

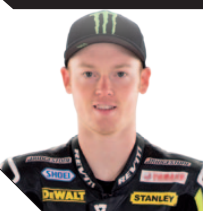


Age: 27

	CAREER	2013
Starts	113 (33 x Moto2, 80 x 125)	0
Wins/best result	3 (3 x 125)	-
Podiums	23 (3 x Moto2, 20 x 125)	0
Poles/best grid	9 (9 x 125)	-
Last Win	VAL/10 (125cc)	-
Last Podium	ITA/11/3rd (Moto2)	-
Last Pole	POR/10 (125cc)	-

- » Smith's best result in Qatar is 5th in the 125cc race in 2009
- » He started from pole for the 125cc race at Losail in 2008 – his first pole in GP racing
- » Finished 9th in 2011 in Qatar in his debut race in the Moto2 class
- » Last year finished 9th in the Moto2 race in Qatar for the second successive year

38. Bradley Smith



Age: 22

	CAREER	2013
Starts	124 (40 x MotoGP, 61 x Moto2/250, 23 x 125)	0
Best result	3rd – Moto2 (8th in MotoGP)	-
Podiums	1 (1 x Moto2)	0
Best grid	2nd - Moto2 (9th in MotoGP)	-
Last Win	-	-
Last Podium	CAT/11/3rd (Moto2)	-
Last Pole	-	-

- » Ninth in the 250cc race in 2008 is Espargaro's best result at the Losail circuit
- » In 2010 he raced in the MotoGP class in Qatar riding a Ducati - he crashed on the seventh lap
- » In 2011 he finished 11th at Qatar in his first race in the Moto2 class
- » Last year he finished 15th in Qatar on his debut onboard the new ART machine

41. Aleix Espargaro



Age: 23

	CAREER	2013
Starts	276 (216 x MotoGP, 30 x 250, 30 x 125)	0
Wins/best result	105 (79 x MotoGP, 14 x 250, 12 x 125)	-
Podiums	177 (141 x MotoGP, 21 x 250, 15 x 125)	0
Poles/best grid	59 (49 x MotoGP, 5 x 250, 5 x 125)	-
Last Win	MAL/10	-
Last Podium	RSM/12/2nd	-
Last Pole	FRA/10	-

- » Rossi won in Qatar in 2005, 2006 & 2010, and finished 2nd in 2007 and 2009
- » Crashed out of the race in 2004 after starting from the back of the grid as a penalty for cleaning his original grid position at the end of qualifying
- » In 2008 he finished 5th in Qatar having his first race on Bridgestone tyres
- » In his first race on the factory Ducati in 2010 he qualified in 9th on the grid and finished 7th
- » Last year in Qatar he qualified down in 12th place on the grid and finished 10th

46. Valentino Rossi



Age: 34

	CAREER	2013
Starts	118 (52 x Moto2/250, 66 x 125)	0
Wins/best result	2 (2 x 125)	-
Podiums	9 (9 x 125)	0
Poles/best grid	3 (3 x 125)	-
Last Win	AUS/07 (125cc)	-
Last Podium	AUS/07/1st (125cc)	-
Last Pole	RSM/07 (125cc)	-

- » Pesek is making his racing debut in the MotoGP class
- » He last raced in Grand Prix in the Moto2 class in 2010
- » Finished 3rd in the 125cc GP in Qatar in 2007



Age: 27

	CAREER	2013
Starts	1 (1 x 125)	0
Wins/best result	29th - 125cc	-
Podiums	0	0
Poles/best grid	31st - 125cc	-
Last Win	-	-
Last Podium	-	-
Last Pole	-	-

- » Staring is making his racing debut in the MotoGP class
- » His one previous GP appearance was as a wild-card in the 125cc class at Phillip Island in 2004 at the age of seventeen
- » Last year he competed in the FIM Superstock 1000 series, taking three wins on his way to 4th in the final championship standings



Age: 25

	CAREER	2013
Starts	46 (15 x MotoGP, 31 x Moto2)	0
Best result	6th - Moto2 (9th in MotoGP)	-
Podiums	0	0
Best grid	5th - Moto2 (12th in MotoGP)	-
Last Win	-	-
Last Podium	-	-
Last Pole	-	-

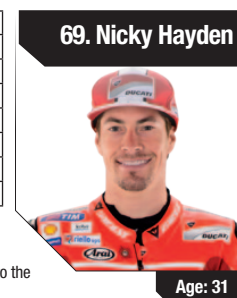
- » Hernandez made his Grand Prix debut in the Moto2 class at Losail in 2010, when he retired early in the race with technical problems
- » In 2011 he finished 12th in the Moto2 race in Qatar after qualifying down in 20th place on the grid
- » Last year he finished 14th in Qatar on his debut in the MotoGP class



Age: 24

	CAREER	2013
Starts	167 - all MotoGP	0
Wins/best result	3 (3 x MotoGP)	-
Podiums	28 (28 x MotoGP)	0
Poles/best grid	5	-
Last Win	USA/06	-
Last Podium	SPA/11/3rd	-
Last Pole	POR/07	-

- » Hayden has twice finished on the podium at the Losail circuit; 3rd in 2005 and 2nd in 2006 riding a Honda on both occasions
- » In 2010 he was 4th in Qatar, after just missing out on a podium in a sprint to the line with Dovizioso
- » In 2011 he finished 9th after dropping to last place on the first lap when De Puniet crashed in front of him
- » Last year he was highest placed Ducati rider in qualifying in 5th place on the grid and first Ducati rider across the line in 6th



Age: 31

	CAREER	2013
Starts	0	0
Wins/best result	-	-
Podiums	0	0
Poles/best grid	-	-
Last Win	-	-
Last Podium	-	-
Last Pole	-	-

- » Laverty is making his Grand Prix debut in Qatar
- » Last year he finished 5th in the British Superbike championship
- » Michael's brother Eugene Laverty competed in the 250cc class of Grand Prix in 2007 & 2008



Age: 31

	CAREER	2013
Starts	47 (1 x MotoGP, 46 x Moto2)	0
Best result	2nd in Moto2	-
Podiums	1 x Moto2	0
Poles/best grid	1 x Moto2	-
Last Win	-	-
Last Podium	FRA/12/2nd (Moto2)	-
Last Pole	GBR/10 (Moto2)	-

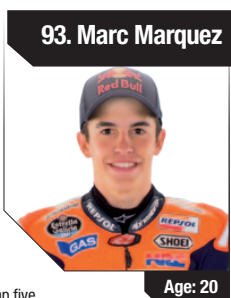
- » Corti had his first race in the MotoGP class at the final event of 2012 in Valencia
- » Has competed three times in the Moto2 class at the Qatar GP
- » Finished 16th in the opening Moto2 race last year - his best result at the Losail circuit



Age: 25

	CAREER	2013
Starts	78 (32 x Moto2, 46 x 125)	0
Wins/best result	26 (16 x Moto2, 10 x 125)	-
Podiums	39 (25 x Moto2, 14 x 125)	0
Poles/best grid	28 (14 x Moto2, 14 x 125)	-
Last Win	VAL/12 (Moto2)	-
Last Podium	VAL/12/1st (Moto2)	-
Last Pole	RSM/12 (Moto2)	-

- » In 2009 Marquez crashed out of the 125cc race in Qatar while battling for a podium position on the last lap of the shortened race
- » He qualified on pole in 2010 and finished third in the 125cc GP in Qatar
- » In 2011 he qualified 2nd on the grid for his first Moto2 race but crashed on lap five when making up for a slow start
- » Last year he qualified in 2nd place on the grid and won the opening Moto2 race of the year in Qatar on his way to taking the world title



Age: 20

	CAREER	2013
Starts	179 (85 x MotoGP, 48 x 250, 46 x 125)	0
Wins	44 (23 x MotoGP, 17 x 250, 4 x 125)	-
Podiums	98 (60 x MotoGP, 29 x 250, 9 x 125)	0
Poles	51 (25 x MotoGP, 23 x 250, 3 x 125)	-
Last Win	RSM/12	RSM
Last Podium	AUS/12/2nd	-
Last Pole	MAL/12	-

- » Lorenzo has qualified on the front row and finished on the podium in all nine starts at Qatar across the GP classes
- » Scored 3 victories in the smaller classes at Qatar: the 125cc race in 2004 and the 250cc race in both 2006 & 2007
- » In 2008 Lorenzo started on pole and finished 2nd in Qatar on his debut in the MotoGP class & in 2009 took the final place on the podium in his first race using Bridgestone tyres
- » Finished 2nd in 2010 after passing both Hayden and Dovizioso on the penultimate lap and in 2011 he finished second at Qatar after passing Pedrosa in the latter stages of the race
- » Last year he qualified on pole and won for the first time in the MotoGP class in Qatar



Age: 25

New riders increase grid size in MotoGP

This year's entry list for MotoGP not only has strength in depth, but with 24 full-time riders on the cards, the grid is as large as at any time during the four-stroke MotoGP era.

The changes in the full time entry list for this year are as follows:

Out from last year have gone – Casey Stoner, James Ellison, Michele Pirro, Ivan Silva and Mattia Pasini.

Into the MotoGP class come the following riders – Hiroshi Aoyama, Andrea Iannone, Bradley Smith, Lukas Pesek, Bryan Staring, Michael Laverty, Claudio Corti and Marc Marquez.

The following table shows the Grand Prix wins and world championships achieved by the riders on the 2013 entry list.

	WORLD TITLES				GRAND PRIX WINS			
	Total	MotoGP/500cc	Moto2/250cc	Moto3™/125cc	Total	MotoGP/500cc	Moto2/250cc	Moto3/125cc
Valentino Rossi	9	7	1	1	105	79	14	12
Jorge Lorenzo	4	2	2		44	23	17	4
Dani Pedrosa	3		2	1	45	22	15	8
Marc Marquez	2		1	1	26		16	10
Nicky Hayden	1	1			3	3		
Hiroshi Aoyama	1		1		9		9	
Stefan Bradl	1		1		7		5	2
Alvaro Bautista	1			1	16		8	8
Andrea Dovizioso	1			1	10	1	4	5
Andrea Iannone	0				12		8	4
Hector Barbera	0				10		4	6
Randy de Puniet	0				5		5	
Bradley Smith	0				3			3
Lukas Pesek	0				2			2
Ben Spies	0				1	1		
Karel Abraham	0				1		1	
Total	23	10	8	5	299	129	106	64

The strength of the MotoGP grid can be illustrated by the following facts about the riders lining up:

There are nine riders who have won a Grand Prix world championship.

These nine riders have collected a total of 23 titles between them.

16 riders on the MotoGP entry list have had race victories in at least one of the three classes of Grand Prix racing

The combined total of Grand Prix victories for the permanent entry of riders is 299.

For the second successive year, the oldest rider in MotoGP will be Colin Edwards, who celebrated his 39th birthday in February. The youngest rider is Moto2 World Champion Marc Marquez, who had his 20th birthday in February.



17 GP winners on Moto2 grid

Although the world champion Marc Marquez has moved up to MotoGP, the Moto2 class has maintained its strength in depth with a number of top riders who competed in Moto3 last year moving up a class, including world champion Sandro Cortese. The main changes in the full time entry list for this year are as follows:

Out from last year have gone – Marc Marquez, Elena Rosell, Gino Rea, Bradley Smith, Andrea Iannone, Marco Colandrea, Claudio Corti, Roberto Rolfo, Max Neukirchner and Eric Granado.

Into the Moto2 class come the following riders – Doni Tata Pradita, Kyle Smith, Sandro Cortese, Alberto Moncayo, Marcel Schrotter, Steven Odendaal, Danny Kent, Mattia Pasini, Louis Rossi and Rafid Topan Sucipto.

The strength in depth of the Moto2 grid can be illustrated by the following facts about the riders lining up, together with the table below:

17 of the riders on the full-time entry list have previously won Grand Prix races

Between them, these 17 riders have scored 106 world championship race wins.

Five of the riders competing in Moto2 in 2012 have won the 125cc World Championship and Toni Elias is competing in the class in which he won the 2010 world title.

The youngest rider in the full-time Moto2 entry list is 18 year-old Indonesian rider Rafid Topan Sucipto, who made his Grand Prix debut as a wild-card at the final Moto2 race of 2012 in Valencia. The oldest rider is Anthony West, who is one of only three riders on the full-time entry list to be over the age of 30 at the opening race of the year in Qatar, the others being Mika Kallio and Toni Elias.

	TITLES			GRAND PRIX WINS			
	Total	Moto2/250cc	Moto3/125cc	Total	MotoGP/500cc	Moto2/250cc	Moto3/125cc
Toni Elias	1	1		17	1	14	2
Nico Terol	1		1	13			13
Julian Simon	1		1	8			8
Thomas Lüthi	1		1	7		2	5
Sandro Cortese	1		1	7			7
Mike di Meglio	1		1	5			5
Mika Kallio	0			12		5	7
Mattia Pasini	0			10		2	8
Pol Espargaro	0			9		4	5
Simone Corsi	0			5			5
Alex de Angelis	0			4		4	
Yuki Takahashi	0			3		3	
Danny Kent	0			2			2
Anthony West	0			1		1	
Scott Redding	0			1			1
Johann Zarco	0			1			1
Louis Rossi	0			1			1
Total	6	1	5	106	1	35	70

Influx of young riders into the Moto3 class

The second year of the Moto3 class has seen an influx of young riders of a variety of nationalities. The attraction of the new class as an entry-point to Grand Prix racing is illustrated by there being 15 different nationalities represented in the full-time entry list for Moto3 in 2013.

The main changes in the Moto3 entry list compared to 2012 are given below:

Out from last year have gone: Sandro Cortese, Hector Faubel, Danny Kent, Louis Rossi, Adrian Martin, Kenta Fuji, Giulian Pedone, Alberto Moncayo, Luigi Morciano and Marcel Schrotter.

Into the series as full-time riders come the following: Matteo Ferrari, Francesco Bagnaia, Livio Loi, Alex Marquez, John McPhee, Ana Carrasco, Hyuga Watanabe, Eric Granado, Juan Guevara, Philipp Oettl, Florian Alt and Lorenzo Baldassarri

This influx of young riders means that at the opening race of the year only four of the full-time entry list will be over the age of 21: Danny Webb (22), Japser Iwema (23), Alexis Masbou (25) and Efren Vazquez (26). Of the 33 riders on the Moto3 full-time entry list, 27 will still be teenagers at the opening race of the year. The youngest rider competing full-time in Moto3 in 2013 is Livio Loi, who will have to wait until his 16th birthday on the 27th of April before making his Moto3 debut at the Spanish GP.

Jorge Lorenzo and Dani Pedrosa battle for most Grand Prix wins

By winning the final race of 2012, Dani Pedrosa moved level with Jim Redman and Casey Stoner in the following table of all-time Grand Prix winners with forty five victories. This is one more GP win than close rival Jorge Lorenzo. However in the list of riders with most wins in the premier-class, Jorge Lorenzo has the advantage with 23 victories, one more than Pedrosa.

RIDERS WITH MOST GRAND PRIX VICTORIES (ALL SOLO CLASSES)

Rider	Total wins	MotoGP/500cc	350cc	250cc	125cc	80/50cc
1 Giacomo Agostini	122	68	54			
2 Valentino Rossi	105	79		14	12	
3 Angel Nieto	90				62	28
4 Mike Hailwood	76	37	16	21	2	
5 Mick Doohan	54	54				
6 Phil Read	52	11	4	27	10	
7= Jim Redman	45	2	21	18	4	
7= Casey Stoner	45	38		5	2	
7= Dani Pedrosa	45	22		15	8	
10 Jorge Lorenzo	44	23		17	4	

RIDERS WITH MOST WINS IN MotoGP/500CC CLASS

79	- Valentino Rossi (7 premier-class titles)
68	- Giacomo Agostini (8 premier-class titles)
54	- Mick Doohan (5 premier-class titles)
38	- Casey Stoner (2 premier-class titles)
37	- Mike Hailwood (4 premier-class titles)
31	- Eddie Lawson (4 premier-class titles)
25	- Kevin Schwantz (1 premier-class title)
24	- Wayne Rainey (3 premier-class titles)
23	- Jorge Lorenzo (2 premier-class titles)
22	- Geoff Duke (4 premier-class titles), Kenny Roberts (3 premier-class titles), John Surtees (4 premier-class titles), Dani Pedrosa



Grand Prix racing numbers

112 – Dani Pedrosa has finished on the podium 112 times across all Grand Prix classes. This is the same number of podium finishes as Mike Hailwood achieved during his Grand Prix career. Only four riders have finished on the podium more often in Grand Prix racing: Valentino Rossi (177 podium finishes), Giacomo Agostini (159), Angel Nieto (139) and Phil Read (121).

98 – Jorge Lorenzo has stood on the podium 98 times in Grand Prix racing, the same number of podium finishes as six-time world champion Jim Redman had during his GP career. One more podium finish for Lorenzo will take him equal with Loris Capirossi in the all-time list of GP podium finishers.

45 – Dani Pedrosa's victory in the final race of last year was his 45th GP win across all classes, all of which have been on Honda machinery. This is the same number of GP wins riding for Honda as Jim Redman. Only Mick Doohan, with 54 wins, has had more GP victories on Honda machinery.

28 – The last 28 MotoGP victories have been shared between three riders: Jorge Lorenzo, Dani Pedrosa and Casey Stoner. The last MotoGP win by a rider other than these three was at the Dutch TT in 2011 when Ben Spies took his only GP victory so far.

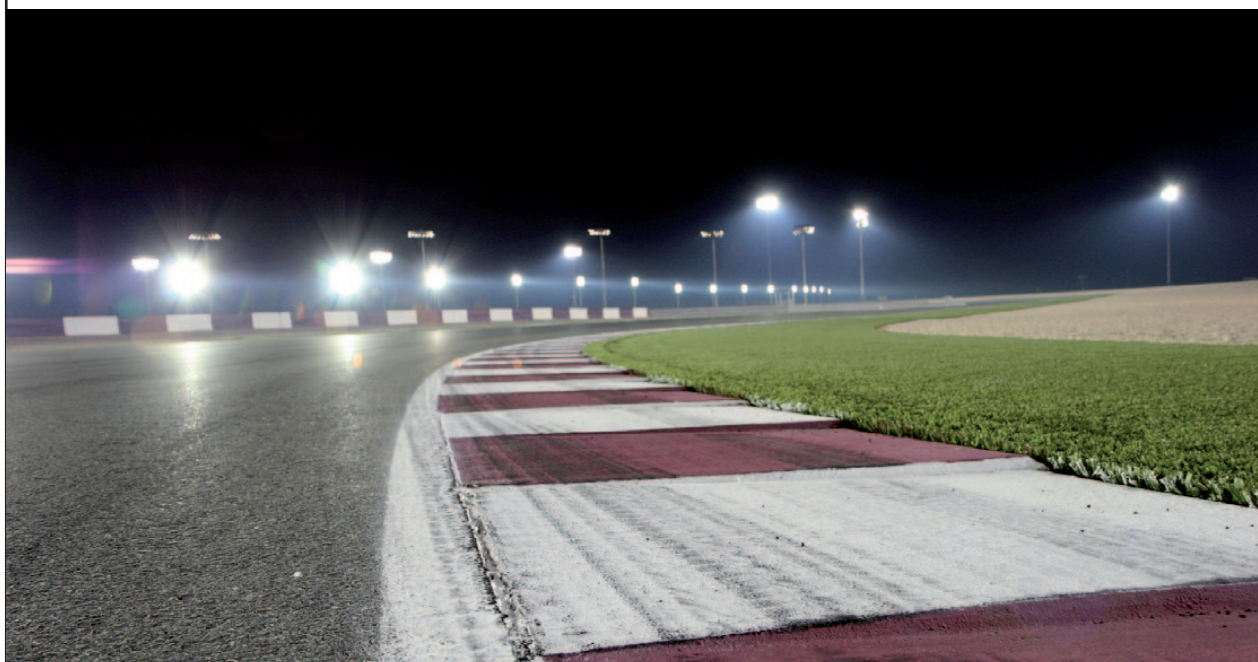
11 – On race day in Qatar it will be exactly 11 years ago that the first ever MotoGP race took place under the new rules with 990cc 4-stroke bikes competing against the 500cc 2-stroke machines at the 2002 Japanese GP at Suzuka. The race was won by Valentino Rossi on a Honda from Akira Ryo on a Suzuki and Carlos Checa on a Yamaha.

10 – This will be the tenth occasion that a Grand Prix event has been held at the Losail circuit and the sixth under floodlights. Yamaha have been the most successful manufacturer in MotoGP at this circuit with four wins, Ducati have had three victories and Honda two.

5 – Only five different riders have finished on the podium in Qatar in the MotoGP class over the last six years; Jorge Lorenzo and Casey Stoner each five times; four times for Dani Pedrosa, three for Valentino Rossi; and a single podium for Andrea Dovizioso.

5 – The last five MotoGP races of 2012 were won by Honda riders. This is the longest sequence of successive MotoGP victories by Honda since 2003 when Honda riders took ten successive MotoGP wins.

2 – Lukas Pesek joins Karel Abraham in the MotoGP class for 2013, making it two Czech riders lining up together in the premier-class for the first time since the German Grand Prix of 1986 at the Nurburgring, when Pavel Dekanek and Bohumil Stasa both started the 500cc race.



Moto2 class facts & figures

Pol Espargaro finished third last year in the Moto2 race in Qatar – his first podium finish at the Losail circuit.

Scott Redding became the youngest ever rider to qualify on a GP front row when making his Grand Prix debut in the 125cc class at Losail in 2008, when he finished the race in fifth place. He finished sixth last year in Qatar, the first time he had scored points in the opening race of the year since moving up to the Moto2 class.

Mika Kallio has had three podium finishes at the Qatar GP: second in the 125cc class in both 2005 & 2006 and third in the 250cc race in 2008. He also qualified on pole for the 125cc race in Qatar in 2005. Last year he finished tenth in the Moto2 race in Qatar.

Esteve Rabat finished fourth in the Moto2 race last year in Qatar – his best ever GP result at the Losail circuit.

Alex de Angelis' only podium finish in Qatar was second in the 250cc race in 2007. Three years ago he qualified on the front row for the first ever Moto2 race, but crashed out on the first lap. He set a new Moto2 lap record on his way to finishing fourth at Losail in 2011. Last year in Qatar he crashed out of the race with just two laps to go when in tenth spot.

Nico Terol won the 125cc GP race in Qatar in both 2010 and 2011, and also started from pole in 2011.

Julian Simon's second place finish in the 125cc race in 2009, after qualifying on pole position, is his only podium finish in Qatar.

Mike di Meglio finished third at Qatar in 2009 in his first ever race in the 250cc class. He was seventh last year in the Moto2 race in Qatar, his best result of the 2012 season.

Toni Elias' best result at Qatar is fourth in the Moto2 race in 2010, when he went on to win the world title. Elias also started from pole for the first ever Moto2 race at Qatar in 2010.

Mattia Pasini, who returns to the Moto2 class after a year in MotoGP, won the opening 250cc race of the 2008 season when making his debut in the class after moving up from 125cc.



Moto3 class facts & figures

Luis Salom finished fourth in the opening Moto3 race of last year – his best ever result at the Losail circuit.

Maverick Viñales made his Grand Prix debut in 2010 at Qatar and finished in ninth place after running in sixth place with just two laps to go. He won the Moto3 race in Qatar last year – one of five victories he achieved during 2012.

Alex Rins finished tenth when making his Grand Prix debut last year in Qatar.

Romano Fenati finished second last year in Qatar to become the first rider to finish on the podium in the Moto3/125cc class on his Grand Prix debut since Tomomi Manako was third at the German Grand Prix in 1994.

Zulfahmi Khairuddin's sixth place finish in the Moto3 race last year in Qatar was the best ever Grand Prix result by a Malaysian rider at that time.

Miguel Oliveira finished fifth last year in the Moto3 race in Qatar last year, which was the best ever GP result by a Portuguese rider at that time.

Efren Vazquez finished second in the 125cc GP at Qatar in 2010 – his first podium finish in Grand Prix racing. He took the final place on the front row of the grid in 2011 in Qatar and finished fourth after battling for the podium throughout the race. Last year he finished just outside the points at the opening race of the year, in 16th position.

Only four riders on the full-time entry list for this year's Moto3 class have previously won a Grand Prix race: **Maverick Viñales, Jonas Folger, Romano Fenati** and **Luis Salom**.

