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Sachsenring

MotoGP™ Riders Profile

	CAREER	2013
Starts	193 (95 x MotoGP, 49 x 250, 49 x 125)	7
Wins/best result	10 (1 x MotoGP, 4 x 250, 5 x 125)	4th
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)	3rd
Last Win	GBR/09	-
Last Podium	ARA/12/3rd	-
Last Pole	JPN/10	-

4. Andrea Dovizioso



Age: 27

- » In 2008, Dovizioso qualified 4th at the Sachsenring and finished the race as top Michelin rider in 5th
- » At the German GP in 2009 he qualified down in 11th place on the grid and then retired from the race on the 26th lap with machine problems
- » He finished 5th in 2010 after winning a battle with Simoncelli and Hayden, with the three riders crossing the line covered by less than a second
- » In 2011 he finished 4th in Germany, and last year he was 3rd - his first GP podium finish at the Sachsenring circuit

	CAREER	2013
Starts	112 (25 x MotoGP, 33 x Moto2, 54 x 125)	7
Wins/best result	7 (5 x Moto2, 2 x 125) (4th in MotoGP)	4th
Podiums	18 (12 x Moto2, 6 x 125)	0
Poles/best grid	7 (7 x Moto2) (3rd in MotoGP)	3rd
Last Win	GBR/11 (Moto2)	-
Last Podium	MAL/11/2nd (Moto2)	-
Last Pole	RSM/11 (Moto2)	-

6. Stefan Bradl



Age: 23

- » Bradl has twice finished on the podium at the Sachsenring when racing in the smaller classes - 2nd in the 125cc race in 2008 and 2nd in the Moto2 race in 2011
- » Finished 5th in the MotoGP race last year in Germany - the best ever result by a German rider in the MotoGP class at the Sachsenring circuit

	CAREER	2013
Starts	25 - all MotoGP	7
Best result	8th	11th
Podiums	0	0
Best grid	15th	16th
Last Win	-	-
Last Podium	-	-
Last Pole	-	-

9. Danilo Petrucci



Age: 22

- » Petrucci raced at the Sachsenring for the first time last year; he qualified in 16th and finished 17th

	CAREER	2013
Starts	127 (35 x MotoGP, 61 x 250/Moto2, 31 x 125)	5
Wins/best result	1 (1 x Moto2) (7th in MotoGP)	15th
Podiums	2 (2 x Moto2)	0
Best grid	5th - 250cc (6th in MotoGP)	17th
Last Win	VAL/10 (Moto2)	-
Last Podium	VAL/10/1st (Moto2)	-
Last Pole	-	-

17. Karel Abraham



Age: 23

- » Abraham's 5th place finish in the Moto2 race in 2010 is his best result at the Sachsenring circuit
- » In 2011 he was 13th on the grid, after crashing twice in the qualifying session and finished the race in 12th
- » He did not race at the German GP last year due to hand injuries from a crash during testing at the Aragon circuit and was replaced by Franco Battaini

	CAREER	2013
Starts	175 - all MotoGP	7
Best result	2nd x 5	9th
Podiums	12 (12 x MotoGP)	0
Poles/best grid	3 (3 x MotoGP)	16th
Last Win	-	-
Last Podium	GBR/11/3rd	-
Last Pole	CHN/08	-

5. Colin Edwards

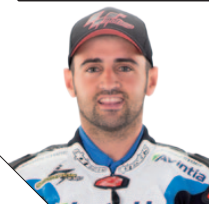


Age: 39

- » Edwards' 4th place finish in 2007, after qualifying down in 13th place on the grid, is his best result at the Sachsenring circuit
- » Qualified 13th and finished 12th last year at the German GP

	CAREER	2013
Starts	178 (56 x MotoGP, 75 x 250, 47 x 125)	7
Wins/best result	10 (4 x 250, 6 x 125) (6th in MotoGP)	10th
Podiums	32 (20 x 250, 12 x 125)	0
Poles/best grid	9 (8 x 250, 1 x 125) (3rd in MotoGP)	10th
Last Win	VAL/09 (250cc)	-
Last Podium	VAL/09/1st (250cc)	-
Last Pole	POR/09 (250cc)	-

8. Hector Barbera



Age: 26

- » Barbera had two podium finishes at the Sachsenring whilst competing in the smaller classes: 2nd in the 125cc class in 2004 and 2nd in the 250cc class in 2008
- » Qualified 6th for the German GP in 2010, his best qualifying result of his rookie year in MotoGP, and finished the race 9th
- » In 2011 he was 11th in Germany and last year he finished 9th from 12th place in qualifying

	CAREER	2013
Starts	241 (128 x MotoGP, 80 x 250, 33 x 125)	7
Wins/best result	5 (5 x 250cc) (2nd in MotoGP)	11th
Podiums	24 (2 x MotoGP, 22 x 250)	0
Poles/best grid	9 (9 x 250cc) (2nd in MotoGP)	9th
Last Win	GBR/05 (250cc)	-
Last Podium	GBR/09/3rd	-
Last Pole	POR/05 (250cc)	-

14. Randy de Puniet



Age: 32

- » De Puniet's only podium at the Sachsenring is 3rd in the 250cc race in 2003
- » Eighth place in 2008, riding a Honda, is De Puniet's best result in the MotoGP class at the Sachsenring circuit
- » Last year he was 11th at the German GP and the first CRT rider across the line

	CAREER	2013
Starts	173 (57 x MotoGP, 49 x 250, 67 x 125)	7
Wins/best result	16 (8 x 250, 8 x 125) (3rd in MotoGP)	6th
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)	4th
Last Win	CAT/09 (250cc)	-
Last Podium	JPN/12/3rd	-
Last Pole	GBR/12	-

19. Alvaro Bautista



Age: 28

- » Bautista has had three podium finishes in the smaller classes at the Sachsenring circuit: 2nd in the 125cc race in 2006 and 3rd in the 250cc class in both 2008 and 2009
- » In 2010 he collided into De Puniet's crashed bike in the first part of the race and did not make it back to the pits within the time limit, so was not allowed into the re-start
- » Was 7th in Germany in 2011, finishing in front of the two factory Ducati riders after a race long battle
- » Finished 7th in Germany last year, after starting from the back of the grid as a penalty for crashing into Lorenzo at the Dutch TT

	CAREER	2013
Starts	25 (21 x MotoGP, 4 x 250cc)	1
Best result	12th	23rd
Podiums	0	0
Best grid	17th	24th
Last Win	-	-
Last Podium	-	-
Last Pole	-	-

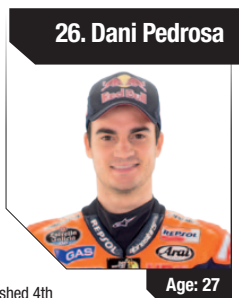
- » Silva raced in MotoGP at the Sachsenring for the first time last year; he qualified 19th and finished 18th



Age: 31

	CAREER	2013
Starts	201 (123 x MotoGP, 32 x 250, 46 x 125)	7
Wins	47 (24 x MotoGP, 15 x 250, 8 x 125)	2
Podiums	117 (76 x MotoGP, 24 x 250, 17 x 125)	5
Poles	44 (26 x MotoGP, 9 x 250, 9 x 125)	2
Last Win	FRA/13	FRA
Last Podium	CAT/13/2nd	CAT/2nd
Last Pole	CAT/13	CAT

- » Pedrosa won the 250cc GP at Sachsenring in both 2004 and 2005
- » The Sachsenring is Pedrosa's most successful circuit in the MotoGP class, having won there on four occasions: 2007, 2010, 2011 & 2012
- » In 2006 he started from pole in the MotoGP class at the Sachsenring and finished 4th
- » In 2008 he had a significant lead in the race in wet conditions when he crashed on lap six, and in 2009 he was the top Honda rider in 3rd
- » Last year won by a margin of 14.996 seconds - the largest winning margin in a dry MotoGP race since Rossi won the Czech GP in 2008 by a margin of 15.004 seconds



Age: 27

	CAREER	2013
Starts	135 (7 x MotoGP, 51 x Moto2, 77 x 125)	7
Wins/best result	12 (8 x Moto2, 4 x 125)(9th in MotoGP)	9th
Podiums	24 (19 x Moto2, 5 x 125)	0
Poles/best grid	8 (5 x Moto2, 3 x 125) (8th in MotoGP)	8th
Last Win	ITA/12 (Moto2)	-
Last Podium	RSM/12/3rd (Moto2)	-
Last Pole	ARA/10 (Moto2)	-

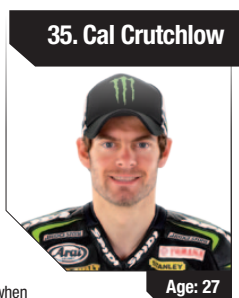
- » Iannone qualified on pole for the Moto2 race at the Sachsenring in 2010 and led the race up to lap 24 but eventually finished 2nd – his only podium finish in Germany
- » in 2011 he qualified down in 25th position on the grid for the Moto2 race in Germany, but improved in the race to finish 14th
- » Last year in the Moto2 race he crashed at Turn 1 on the 11th lap when battling with Marquez for the lead; re-started to finish 16th



Age: 23

	CAREER	2013
Starts	41 – all MotoGP	7
Best result	2nd	2nd
Podiums	5 (5 x MotoGP)	3
Poles	1 (1 x MotoGP)	1
Last Win	-	-
Last Podium	NED/13/3rd	NED/3rd
Last Pole	NED/13	NED

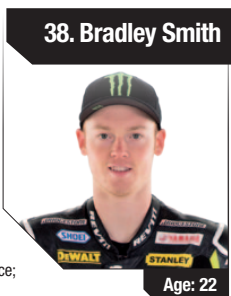
- » Crutchlow raced at the Sachsenring circuit for the first time in 2011 when he crashed heavily in qualifying, started from 12th on the grid and finished 14th
- » Last year he was 8th in Germany after he ran off the circuit on the 26th lap when battling for a podium finish



Age: 27

	CAREER	2013
Starts	120 (7 x MotoGP, 33 x Moto2, 80 x 125)	7
Wins/best result	3 (3 x 125) (6th in MotoGP)	6th
Podiums	23 (3 x Moto2, 20 x 125)	0
Poles/best grid	9 (9 x 125) (6th in MotoGP)	6th
Last Win	VAL/10 (125cc)	-
Last Podium	ITA/11/3rd (Moto2)	-
Last Pole	POR/10 (125cc)	-

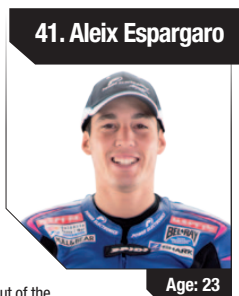
- » Smith's fourth place finish in the 125cc race in 2008 is his best result at the Sachsenring circuit
- » In 2011 Smith ran wide and into the gravel at the first corner of the Moto2 race; re-joined the race and then crashed on lap 16
- » Last year in Germany he finished 7th in the Moto2 race after being up in 4th place in the middle of the race



Age: 22

	CAREER	2013
Starts	131 (47 x MotoGP, 61 x Moto2/250, 23 x 125)	7
Best result	3rd – Moto2 (8th in MotoGP)	8th
Podiums	1 (1 x Moto2)	0
Best grid	2nd - Moto2 (7th in MotoGP)	7th
Last Win	-	-
Last Podium	CAT/11/3rd (Moto2)	-
Last Pole	-	-

- » Espargaro's best GP result at the Sachsenring is 7th in the 250cc GP in 2009
- » In 2010 he was an innocent victim of De Puniet's crash at the German GP
- » He qualified 3rd for the Moto2 race at the German GP in 2011, but crashed out of the race on the sixth lap
- » Last year he qualified 10th for the MotoGP race in Germany and finished in 13th place



Age: 23

	CAREER	2013
Starts	283 (223 x MotoGP, 30 x 250, 30 x 125)	7
Wins/best result	106 (80 x MotoGP, 14 x 250, 12 x 125)	1
Podiums	179 (143 x MotoGP, 21 x 250, 15 x 125)	2
Poles/best grid	59 (49 x MotoGP, 5 x 250, 5 x 125)	4th
Last Win	NED/13	NED
Last Podium	NED/13/1st	NED/1st
Last Pole	FRA/10	-

- » Rossi has had five GP victories at the Sachsenring circuit; in 1999 in the 250cc class, in 2002 in the MotoGP class riding a Honda, and in 2005, 2006 and 2009 riding Yamaha
- » His win in 2006 is most notable as he started down in 11th place on the grid
- » In 2007 he crashed on lap six at the Sachsenring while chasing the leaders and in 2008 he finished 2nd after qualifying in seventh place on the grid
- » In 2010 the German GP was his first race back after crashing at Mugello and he finished 4th after being passed at the final corner by Stoner
- » He finished 9th in Germany in 2011, and last year he was 6th, which was his best dry weather result from the first eight races of 2012



Age: 34

	CAREER	2013
Starts	70 (23 x MotoGP, 18 x Moto2, 29 x 125cc)	5
Wins/best result	1 (1 x Moto2) (5th in MotoGP)	7th
Podiums	2 (2 x Moto2)	0
Poles/best grid	1 (1 x Moto2) (10th in MotoGP)	10th
Last Win	VAL/11 (Moto2)	-
Last Podium	VAL/11/1st (Moto2)	-
Last Pole	VAL/11 (Moto2)	-

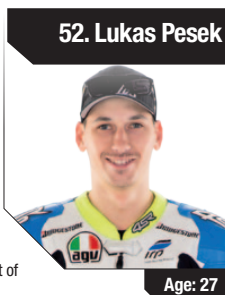
- » Pirro has twice raced in the 125cc class at the Sachsenring; he crashed out of the race in 2005 and finished 23rd in 2006
- » He qualified 4th and finished 10th in the Moto2 race in Germany in 2011
- » Retired on the fourth lap of the MotoGP race in Germany last year with technical problems



Age: 27

	CAREER	2013
Starts	125 (7 x MotoGP, 52 x Moto2/250, 66 x 125)	7
Wins/best result	2 (2 x 125) (16th in MotoGP)	16th
Podiums	9 (9 x 125)	0
Poles/best grid	3 (3 x 125) (15th in MotoGP)	15th
Last Win	AUS/07 (125cc)	-
Last Podium	AUS/07/1st (125cc)	-
Last Pole	RSM/07 (125cc)	-

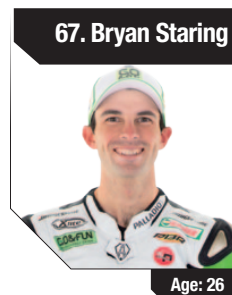
- » Pesek has had a single podium finish at the German GP: 3rd in the 125cc race in 2006
- » His last GP appearance at the Sachsenring was in 2010 when he crashed out of the Moto2 race on the first lap



Age: 27

	CAREER	2013
Starts	8 (7 x MotoGP, 1 x 125)	7
Wins/best result	14th	14th
Podiums	0	0
Best grid	18th	18th
Last Win	-	-
Last Podium	-	-
Last Pole	-	-

- » Staring is racing in a grand prix at the Sachsenring circuit for the first time



Age: 26

	CAREER	2013
Starts	53 (22 x Moto2, 31 x MotoGP)	7
Best result	6th - Moto2 (9th in MotoGP)	13th
Podiums	0	0
Best grid	5th - Moto2 (12th in MotoGP)	16th
Last Win	-	-
Last Podium	-	-
Last Pole	-	-

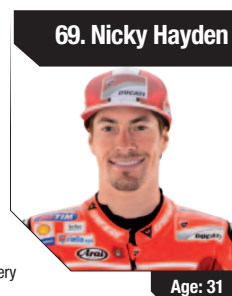
- » Hernandez finished 10th in the Moto2 race at the German GP in 2010 - equalling his best result of the year
- » In 2011 he set a new lap record on his way to finishing 6th in Moto2 at the Sachsenring - equalling his best ever GP result
- » Finished 14th in the MotoGP race last year in Germany



Age: 24

	CAREER	2013
Starts	174 - all MotoGP	7
Wins/best result	3 (3 x MotoGP)	5th
Podiums	28 (28 x MotoGP)	0
Poles/best grid	5	5th
Last Win	USA/06	-
Last Podium	SPA/11/3rd	-
Last Pole	POR/07	-

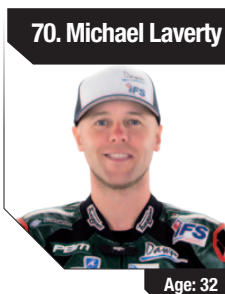
- » Hayden has more podium finishes at the Sachsenring than at any other circuit, having finished third for the four successive years 2004 to 2007
- » In 2008 he finished 13th after coming into the pits to change the rear tyre very early in the race
- » He was 8th in 2009 after a big crash during qualifying when he collided into Canapa's bike, and in 2010 he finished 7th
- » Hayden was the first Ducati rider across the line in 2011 in 8th place, just in front of team-mate Rossi
- » Last year he finished 10th after losing three places on the last couple of laps



Age: 31

	CAREER	2013
Starts	7 - all MotoGP	7
Best result	13th	13th
Podiums	0	0
Best grid	17th	17th
Last Win	-	-
Last Podium	-	-
Last Pole	-	-

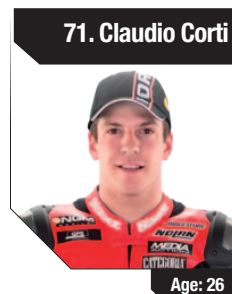
- » Laverty has never previously raced at the Sachsenring circuit



Age: 32

	CAREER	2013
Starts	54 (8 x MotoGP, 46 x Moto2)	7
Best result	2nd - Moto2 (12th in MotoGP)	12th
Podiums	1 x Moto2	0
Poles/best grid	1 x Moto2 (18th in MotoGP)	18th
Last Win	-	-
Last Podium	FRA/12/2nd (Moto2)	-
Last Pole	GBR/10 (Moto2)	-

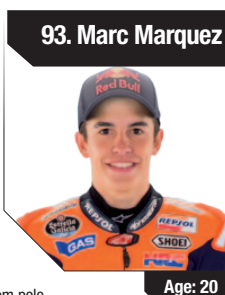
- » Corti finished 9th in the Moto2 race last year in Germany, from 19th place on the grid



Age: 26

	CAREER	2013
Starts	85 (7 x MotoGP, 32 x Moto2, 46 x 125)	7
Wins	27 (1 x MotoGP, 16 x Moto2, 10 x 125)	1
Podiums	45 (6 x MotoGP, 25 x Moto2, 14 x 125)	6
Poles	30 (2 x MotoGP, 14 x Moto2, 14 x 125)	2
Last Win	AME/13	AME
Last Podium	NED/13/2nd	NED/2nd
Last Pole	FRA/13	FRA

- » In 2010 at the German GP Marquez was on pole for the 125cc race, won the race by more than 17 seconds, and set the fastest lap
- » In 2011 he won the Moto2 race in Germany from pole position
- » Last year he made it three successive wins at the Sachsenring circuit - all from pole position



Age: 20

	CAREER	2013
Starts	186 (92 x MotoGP, 48 x 250, 46 x 125)	7
Wins	47 (26 x MotoGP, 17 x 250, 4 x 125)	3
Podiums	103 (65 x MotoGP, 29 x 250, 9 x 125)	5
Poles	53 (27 x MotoGP, 23 x 250, 3 x 125)	2
Last Win	CAT/13	CAT
Last Podium	CAT/13/1st	CAT/1st
Last Pole	SPA/13	SPA

- » Sachsenring is one of just three current circuits where Lorenzo has not had a grand prix victory in any class; the others are Aragon & Austin
- » In 2008 on his first ride in Germany on a MotoGP machine, he crashed without injury on lap three
- » He was 2nd in Germany in 2009 while still suffering from injuries from a crash during qualifying for the previous race at Laguna Seca
- » Was 2nd again in Germany in 2010 after qualifying on pole, and in 2011 Lorenzo finished 2nd for the third successive year
- » Last year Lorenzo was second for the fourth successive year in Germany



Age: 26

Grand Prix racing at Sachsenring

Although the current circuit has only been used for GP racing since 1998, the Sachsenring has a long tradition as a grand prix venue and below are some facts and figures from the previous events held there:

The East German Grand Prix of 1961 was the first world championship event to be held at the Sachsenring. The original circuit used for this event was a closed road circuit 8.73km in length.

The East German GP continued to be held at the Sachsenring each year until 1972, after which the circuit was considered too dangerous for grand prix racing. Huge crowds attended these events with race day attendances being estimated in some years at greater than 300,000.

After a gap of 25 years, world championship racing returned to the Sachsenring at a newly built circuit in 1998, which was initially just 3.508km long with one short section of track from the old road circuit.

Major modifications to the circuit in 2001 and then additional slight alterations in 2003 resulted in the current 3.671 km track layout.

This will be the 16th occasion that a grand prix event has been held at the purpose built Sachsenring circuit since 1998.

Dani Pedrosa is the rider with most victories at the modern Sachsenring with 6 wins (2x 250cc, 4 x MotoGP), followed by 5 for Valentino Rossi (1 x 250cc, 4 x MotoGP). Since the introduction of the four-stroke MotoGP class in 2002, Honda have been the most successful manufacturer with seven wins, followed by Yamaha with three and Ducati with a single MotoGP victory in Germany.

It is one of only two circuits, along with Indianapolis, where Honda have won in the MotoGP class in each of the last three years.

Since grand prix racing returned to Sachsenring in 1998 there have been six podium finishes by home riders: Ralf Waldmann was third in the 250cc race in 1999, Steve Jenkner was third in the 125cc race in 2002, Stefan Bradl finished 2nd in the 125cc in 2008 & the race in 2011, and Sandro Cortese was third in the 125cc race in 2010 & last year in the Moto3™ class became the first German rider to win at his home GP since it returned to the Sachsenring in 1998.

The 2006 MotoGP race produced the closest top four of all-time in the premier-class with just 0.307 seconds covering the first four riders across the line.

Record breaking win for Valentino Rossi

At the Dutch TT, Valentino Rossi took his first GP victory since returning to ride for the Yamaha factory team. This win set a number of new records and milestones:

This victory by Rossi means he has the longest winning career of all-time in the premier-class of grand prix racing (more details on this below).

He has now won in the premier-class on five different motorcycles: 500cc Honda, 990cc Honda, 990cc Yamaha, 800cc Yamaha and 1000cc Yamaha.

His win at Assen ends a sequence of 44 races where he has not stood on the top step of the podium. Prior to this Rossi had never made more than nine starts in the premier-class without a win.

Rossi's win also ended a 44-race sequence for Italy without a win in the premier-class – the longest barren spell for Italian rider in the premier-class since Luca Cadalora ended a 62 race sequence without an Italian winner at the British GP in 1993.

This win made Rossi the fourth oldest rider to have won during the four-stroke MotoGP era after: Troy Bayliss, Alex Barros and Loris Capirossi.



Longest winning career in premier-class for Valentino Rossi

Valentino Rossi's win at Assen came almost 13 years after his first premier-class GP victory at Donington Park in 2000. This makes Rossi the rider with the longest winning career in the premier-class of grand prix racing, taking this record from Alex Barros, as shown in the list below. It is interesting to note that Dani Pedrosa appears in 11th place on the list and will move into the top ten on the occasion of his next MotoGP win.

This victory at the Dutch TT for Rossi also takes him into second place in terms of longest winning grand prix career across all classes, after Loris Capirossi. If Rossi takes a win from the Malaysian GP onwards he will move above Capirossi in this list and become the rider with the longest winning career across all classes.

LONGEST WINNING CAREERS IN THE PREMIER-CLASS

Rider	First GP win in the premier-class	Last GP win in the premier-class	Length of winning career (years)
1 Valentino Rossi	Great Britain/2000	Dutch TT/2013	12 years 355 days
2 Alex Barros	FIM/1993	Portugal/2005	11 years 204 days
3 Phil Read	Ulster GP/1964	Czech/1975	11 years 16 days
4 Giacomo Agostini	Finland/1965	West Germany/1976	11 years 7 days
5 Loris Capirossi	Australia/1996	Japan/2007	10 years 338 days
6 Eddie Lawson	South Africa/1984	Hungary/1992	8 years 110 days
7 Mick Doohan	Hungary/1990	Argentina/1998	8 years 53 days
8 Geoff Duke	IOM TT/1950	Sweden/1958	8 years 47 days
9 Alex Criville	Dutch TT/1992	France/2000	7 years 321 days
10 Randy Mamola	Belgium/1980	San Marino/1987	7 years 55 days
11 Dani Pedrosa	China/2006	France/2013	7 years 5 days

LONGEST WINNING CAREERS IN GRAND PRIX RACING- ALL SOLO CLASSES

Rider	First GP win	Last GP win	Length of winning GP career
1 Loris Capirossi	125cc/GB/1990	MotoGP/Japan/2007	17 years 49 days
2 Valentino Rossi	125cc/Czech/1996	MotoGP/Dutch TT/2013	16 years 315 days
3 Angel Nieto	50cc/E. Germany/1969	80cc/France/1985	16 years 8 days
4 Phil Read	350cc/GB/1961	500cc/Czech/1975	14 years 71 days
5 Loris Reggiani	125cc/GB/1980	250cc/Czech/1993	13 years 12 days
6 Max Biaggi	250cc/South Africa/1992	MotoGP/Germany/2004	11 years 315 days
7 Toni Mang	125cc/W. Germany/1976	250cc/Japan/1988	11 years 211 days
8 Alex Barros	500cc/FIM/1993	MotoGP/Portugal/2005	11 years 204 days
9 Luigi Taveri	125cc/Spain/1955	125cc/Italy/1966	11 years 133 days
10 Giacomo Agostini	350cc/W. Germany/1965	500cc/W. Germany/1976	11 years 126 days

Stefan Bradl re-writing the record book

Now in his second year in the MotoGP class, Stefan Bradl is re-writing the record books with regard to the performances by German riders in the premier-class of grand prix racing. Below are some of the milestones and records that he has achieved already during his short time in the top class:

Stefan Bradl's fourth place at the Italian GP last year was the best result by a German rider in the premier-class since Michael Rudroff was third at the Italian GP at Misano in 1989, a race that was boycotted by the top riders on safety grounds. The last time that a German rider had finished in the top 4 in the premier-class at a GP not boycotted by the top riders was when Dieter Braun was third in the 500cc Belgium GP in 1974 behind Phil Read and Giacomo Agostini.

In his debut season in MotoGP Bradl scored a total of 135 points, which is the highest-ever points total in a single premier-class season by a German rider. Bradl finished eighth in the final MotoGP championship classification last year – the highest finish by a German rider in the premier-class since Dieter Braun was seventh in the final championship classification in 1974.

Bradl's third place on the grid at the Dutch TT was the first front row start in the premier-class by a German rider since the Czech GP in 1998 when Ralf Waldmann was fourth on the grid, when there were four riders across the front row.

Grand Prix racing numbers

4646 – Following Valentino Rossi's win at the Dutch TT, his total number of points during his grand prix career shows a certain symmetry with his racing number.

44 years – On the day of qualifying at the German GP it will be exactly 44 years since Dave Simmonds won the 125cc GP at the old Sachsenring circuit in 1969 to become the first rider to win a world title on a Kawasaki manufactured motorcycle.

24 – Prior to the Dutch TT, the previous 24 successive MotoGP races had at least one of the two riders Jorge Lorenzo and Dani Pedrosa appearing on the podium. The last occasion when neither of these two riders were on the podium was the final race of 2011 in Valencia.

23 – The current strength in depth of both riders and machinery in the MotoGP class is illustrated by the fact that none of the 23 riders that finished the MotoGP race in Assen was lapped by the race leader at the end of the 26-lap Dutch TT. The last time that as many as 23 riders finished on the same lap as the winner in a full-length race in the premier-class was the 1980 German 500cc GP, which was run over just six laps of the 22.8 km Nurburgring circuit.

23 – Dominique Aegerter's third place finish at the Dutch TT was his 23rd successive point-scoring finish in the Moto2™ class.

21 years – On the first day of practice at the German GP it will be exactly 21 years ago since Eddie Lawson won the 1992 Hungarian 500cc GP to give Cagiva their first grand prix win.

19 – Two riders in the Moto3 class celebrate their 19th birthdays in the week of the German GP; Niklas Ajo on the Wednesday before the race and John McPhee on race day.

11 years – Cal Crutchlow's pole position at the Dutch TT was the first pole for a British rider in the premier-class of grand prix racing since Jeremy McWilliams was top qualifier for the Australian GP at Phillip Island in 2002 riding a two-stroke Proton KR.

7 – Both Luis Salom and Maverick Viñales have finished on the podium at the first seven Moto3 races of the year. This is the first time since Kazuto Sakata in 1993 that a rider has opened the season with seven successive podium finishes in the lightweight class of GP racing.

5th – Jorge Lorenzo's fifth place finish with a broken collarbone at the Dutch TT is only the third time since his Rookie season that he has finished a race outside the top four; the other two occasions were when he finished 6th at Assen in 2011 after being knocked off on the first lap, and when he was 7th earlier this year at the wet race in France.

3 – Cal Crutchlow's third place finish at the Dutch TT makes him the first British rider to have three podium finishes in a single season in the premier-class since Ron Haslam in 1985.

0.416 seconds – Fifth place finisher in the Moto3 race at the Dutch TT Alex Marquez crossed the line just 0.416 seconds behind the winner Luis Salom, making the race the closest top-five finish in a full-length race in the lightweight class since the Italian GP in 2008.



Moto2 class facts & figures

Scott Redding finished 7th in the Moto2 race at the German GP in 2011, which is his best result at the Sachsenring circuit. Last year Redding qualified down in 26th place on the grid and then crashed on the first lap when he had a collision with Toni Elias as he tried to make up places. Redding has already had five podium finishes this year; this is the greatest number of podium finishes by a British rider in the intermediate-class of grand prix racing since Rod Gould was on the podium seven times in the 250cc class in 1972.

Pol Espargaro qualified down in 19th place on the grid last year in Germany, but battled his way through to finish fourth – his best ever result at the Sachsenring circuit. Espargaro has won the last two races and in Germany will be aiming to take three successive victories for the first time in his GP career.

Steve Rabat's best result at the German GP is fourth in the 125cc race in 2010. Last year at the Sachsenring he qualified in 27th place on the grid but improved in the race to finish 12th.

Mika Kallio qualified on pole and won the 125cc GP at the Sachsenring in 2005 riding a KTM. He also qualified on pole and finished second in the 250cc GP at the circuit in 2007 on a KTM. Kallio did not start the Moto2 race in Germany in 2011 after his bike failed on the sighting lap. He qualified third and finished second last year in Germany – his only front row start and only podium of 2012.

Dominique Aegerter's best result at the Sachsenring circuit is 8th in the Moto2 race in 2010. At the Dutch TT Aegerter took only the second podium of his career – his other was at the final Moto2 race of 2011 at Valencia.

Johann Zarco finished second in the 125cc race in 2011 when he was in a photo finish with winner Hector Faubel; the two riders could not be separated across the line and Faubel was given the victory because he had posted a faster lap during the race. Last year Zarco finished 11th in the Moto2 race in Germany.

Toni Elias won in Germany in 2010 on his way to taking the first Moto2 world title.

Yuki Takahashi won the 250cc GP at the Sachsenring in 2006. Takahashi will celebrate his 29th birthday on the first day of practice at the German Grand Prix.

In addition to **Mika Kallio** mentioned above, four other riders currently competing in the Moto2 class have won at the Sachsenring in the Moto3/125cc class: **Mattia Pasini** in 2006, **Mike di Meglio** in 2008, **Julian Simon** in 2009 and **Sandro Cortese** last year.



Moto3 class facts & figures

Luis Salom finished third in the Moto3 race in Germany last year – his first podium finish at the Sachsenring circuit. Salom has won the last three Moto3 races and in Germany will be aiming to become the first rider since Marc Marquez in 2010 to win four or more successive GP races in the lightweight class.

Maverick Viñales qualified on pole at the German GP in 2011, but was pushed wide at the first corner and dropped down to 11th, then battled through to lead on lap 16, but eventually finished third after being passed by both Zarco and Faubel on the last lap. Last year Viñales arrived in Germany leading the championship, but qualified down in 24th and finished the race in 17th in wet and windy conditions.

Alex Rins finished 20th at the German GP last year from 27th place on the grid. Rins, in just his second year in GP racing, has finished on the podium six times in the first seven races of the year.

Jonas Folger's best finish at the German GP is seventh in the 125cc race in 2011. Last year he retired with technical problems mid-race after running as high as fourth in the early stages.

Alexis Masbou finished second last year at the German GP – his only podium finish in grand prix racing.

Jack Miller's fourth place finish last year in Germany is his best result so far in his GP career.

