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Kawasaki Jonathan REA

Nationality	British	Ballymena
Born	02/02/1987	Age 32 Starts 259
Wins	73	Last win: 2019, Imola/2
Podiums	148	Last podium: 2019, Jerez/3
Poles	18	Last pole: 2019, Jerez
Front Rows	70	Fastest laps 59 Points 3,985.5
Team	Kawasaki Racing Team	
Championship:	P2	Pts.: 259 Wins 2 Poles 2 Pod. 14

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 16 Wins 6 Podiums 10 Best race: 1 Best grid: 2

6 wins make Jonathan Rea the joint most successful rider in Misano with Troy Bayliss: Rea was the race winner five times in the last seven here, including a double last year and in 2016.
> This is one of the seven tracks in which Rea climbed on the podium at least 10 times: Assen (18); Algarve (14); Imola (14); Aragon (12); Buriram (10); Phillip Island (10); Misano (10).
> There are four circuits at which Rea has stood on the podium 8 times out of 8 races for Kawasaki from 2015 to 2018: Aragon, Assen, Imola and Misano. (6 out of 6 in Algarve, always the race winner; 2 out of 2 in San Juan).
> Rea has the chance to record 10 consecutive podiums here, equalling the string of Troy Corser, who recorded 10 straight in Misano from 1995 to 2000 (he didn't race here in 1997).
> Racing in the era of the most successful poleman ever (Sykes) is not easy, and this is particularly true in Misano, where Rea has qualified in second on five occasions - four behind Sykes - without ever scoring pole. This is the only case in history with a rider claiming five second places in qualifying without pole at the given track.
> Rea has qualified in second in all the last three weekends here.
> Rea has scored points in all the races he has started at Misano, finishing outside the top seven only in 2010 (13th and 12th), when he was the first Honda rider at the flag in both races.
> On the 21st of June, 2009, ten years ago, Jonathan Rea recorded here his maiden WorldSBK win, thanks to a last-lap pass on Michel Fabrizio.

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HONDA Leon CAMIER

Nationality	British	Ashford, Kent
Born	04/08/1986	Age 32 Starts 215
Podiums	9	Last podium: 2013, Silverstone/1
Front Rows	5	Fastest laps 1 Points 1,247.5
Team	Moriwaki Althea Honda Team	
Championship:	P15	Pts.: 26

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 14 Best race: 6 Best grid: 6

Ten point-scoring finishes out of fourteen for Leon Camier at Misano: his best result is a sixth, secured in Race 1 in both 2010 and 2011, when he was riding for Aprilia. Last year he was 9th and 10th, and the best Honda rider in both races.

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DUCATI Chaz DAVIES

Nationality	British	Knighton
Born	10/02/1987	Age 32 Starts 192
Wins	29	Last win: 2018, Aragon/2
Podiums	82	Last podium: 2019, Imola/2
Poles	7	Last pole: 2019, Imola
Front Rows	21	Fastest laps 30 Points 2,383.5
Team	Aruba.it Racing - Ducati	
Championship:	P8	Pts.: 94 Poles 1 Pod. 3

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 11 Podiums 2 Best race: 2 Best grid: 4

Last year, Chaz Davies came back from a string of bad luck in Misano, recording his best finish here in 2nd in Race 1 and then a 4th in Race 2. Previously he had crashed out four times out of nine starts, the last one in 2017 in Race 1 in dramatic fashion. He was dicing with Rea for the win but slid off three corners before the chequered flag and was run over by Rea. He avoided serious injuries, but was forced to sit out Race 2.
> This is the only track where Davies has raced at least eleven times, but secured just two podiums (the other being a 3rd in Race 1, 2015). In all the other tracks where he has raced ten or more times, he recorded at least three podiums.
> Davies has led for only two laps here: in 2017 in Race 1 before the aforementioned crash.
> This is one of the four tracks in the current calendar where Davies has not qualified for the front row: his best qualifying effort here is a 4th (2017). The others are: Buriram (best: 4th); Jerez (6th); San Juan (9th).

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YAMAHA Sandro CORTESE

Nationality	German	Ochsenhausen
Born	06/01/1990	Age 29 Starts 16
Front Rows	1	Points 83
Team	GRT Yamaha WorldSBK	
Championship:	P9	Pts.: 83

Last year Sandro Cortese was third in the WorldSSP race held at Misano behind Federico Caricasulo and Raffaele de Rosa.
> In the previous five years, he raced here in Moto2, scoring a fifth as best result in 2017.
> Won from pole the 2012 Moto3 Misano race.
> From 2007 to 2011 he raced here in the 125cc World Championship, scoring a fourth as best result in 2011.

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DUCATI Alvaro BAUTISTA

Nationality	Spanish	Talavera de la Reina
Born	21/11/1984	Age 34 Starts 16
Wins	13	Last win: 2019, Jerez/2
Podiums	15	Last podium: 2019, Jerez/2
Poles	3	Last pole: 2019, Assen
Front Rows	6	Fastest laps 11 Points 300
Team	Aruba.it Racing - Ducati	
Championship:	P1	Pts.: 300 Wins 13 Poles 3 Pod. 15

Alvaro Bautista was able to claim three podium placements in the prototypes races he ran in Misano: he was the winner in 250cc in 2008; third in the same championship in 2009; third in the top-tier MotoGP class in 2012, behind Jorge Lorenzo and Valentino Rossi. That was his maiden MotoGP podium finish.

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DUCATI Michael Ruben RINALDI

Nationality	Italian	Rimini
Born	21/12/1995	Age 23 Starts 32
Points	140	
Team	Barni Racing Team	
Championship:	P12	Pts.: 63

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 2 Best race: 11 Best grid: 20

Last year Rinaldi had grip problems in Race 1 and finished 17th after a pit-stop: he recovered in Race 2, finishing 11th from 20th on the grid.
> There have been great performances in Superstock 1000 for Michael Ruben Rinaldi at Misano. In 2016, he was only 38th in qualifying, but put up an enormous comeback in the race as he recovered 28 places to finish 10th. In 2017, he recorded pole, and battled all the way to the last corner with Marco Faccani, who eventually was able to snatch the win from Rinaldi a few meters from the line.
> In 2014 and 2015, Rinaldi was 12th and 4th in the Misano Superstock 600 races.

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YAMAHA Alex LOWES

Nationality	British	Lincoln
Born	14/09/1990	Age 28 Starts 145
Wins	1	Last win: 2018, Brno/2
Podiums	15	Last podium: 2019, Aragon/2
Poles	1	Last pole: 2018, Assen
Front Rows	8	Fastest laps 3 Points 1,038
Team	Pata Yamaha Official WorldSBK Team	
Championship:	P4	Pts.: 142 Pod. 4

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 10 Podiums 1 Best race: 2 Best grid: 4

Not an easy track for Alex Lowes so far: he retired in one race out of two here (5 out of 10, 4 crashes). He was able to climb on the podium once, in 2017, Race 1, in second place. Last year, he was 12th in Tissot Superpole; crashed twice and retired in Race 1 and was 6th in Race 2.
> His best qualifying effort here came in 2016: fourth.

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HONDA Ryuichi KIYONARI

Nationality Japanese Saitama
Born 23/09/1982 Age 36 Starts 69
Wins 3 Last win: 2008, Donington/2
Podiums 6 Last podium: 2009, Monza/2

Front Rows 4 Fastest laps 1 Points 359

Team Moriwaki Althea Honda Team
Championship: P18 Pts.: 12

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 4

Best race: 13 Best grid: 8

Kiyonari's best result in Misano is a 13th place, scored in 2008 Race 2. He scored two more points finishes in 14th in 2008, Race 1 and 2009 Race 2. In Race 1, 2009, he finished his race in the pits.



BMW Markus REITERBERGER

Nationality German Trostberg
Born 09/03/1994 Age 25 Starts 54

Front Rows 1 Points 174

Team BMW Motorrad WorldSBK Team
Championship: P13 Pts.: 50

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 4

Best race: 6 Best grid: 11

Reiterberger was 16th and 13th in the 2015 WorldSBK races here; he then improved with a 6th in Race 1, 2016. The 2016 weekend ended up badly as in Race 2 he crashed at the Quercia turn, after a contact with Davies, suffering a broken vertebra.
> Reiterberger came back in style in Misano after the aforementioned injury: last year he won from pole the Superstock 1000 race, recording also the fastest lap and leading from lights to flag.



YAMAHA Marco MELANDRI

Nationality Italian Ravenna
Born 07/08/1982 Age 36 Starts 167
Wins 22 Last win: 2018, Phillip Island/2
Podiums 75 Last podium: 2019, Jerez/2
Poles 4 Last pole: 2018, San Juan
Front Rows 24 Fastest laps 21 Points 2,141.5

Team GRT Yamaha WorldSBK
Championship: P6 Pts.: 102 Pod. 3

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 10 Wins 1 Podiums 5

Best race: 1 Best grid: 3

Five podium finishes for Marco Melandri in his ten Misano races. He was the winner in 2017, Race 2, and scored four third places, the last one last year in Race 2.
> Melandri finished seven of his ten Misano races in the top seven, missing out only when he encountered problems (2 falls, 1 technical issue).
> In Tissot Superpole, Melandri clinched the front row here in 2017 (3rd).



Kawasaki Leandro MERCADO

Nationality Argentinean Jesus Maria, Cordoba
Born 15/02/1992 Age 27 Starts 95

Front Rows 1 Points 355

Team Orelac Racing VerdNatura
Championship: P16 Pts.: 19

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 8

Best race: 9 Best grid: 13

The best result for Mercado in Misano came two years ago, when he finished 9th in Race 2. Last year he was 10th (his last top ten to-date) in Race 1 and 17th in Race 2 after a crash.
> In 2016 in the Superstock 1000 championship, Mercado fought fiercely with Raffaele de Rosa for the entire race: the two clashed on the final lap, leaving the win to Lucas Mahias.
> Mercado was second behind Lorenzo Savadori in the 2014 Superstock 1000 race run here.



DUCATI Eugene LAVERTY

Nationality Irish Ballymena
Born 03/06/1986 Age 33 Starts 161
Wins 13 Last win: 2014, Phillip Island/1
Podiums 35 Last podium: 2018, Misano/1
Poles 3 Last pole: 2018, Algarve
Front Rows 29 Fastest laps 5 Points 1,498.5

Team Team Goeleven
Championship: P14 Pts.: 32

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 10 Podiums 1

Best race: 3 Best grid: 3

Last year, Eugene Laverty claimed his first Misano podium, finishing third in Race 1. That performance capped a consistent run of Laverty at the Italian track which comprises a total of eight top-10 finishes, scored for three bike manufacturers (Yamaha, Suzuki, Aprilia).
> Laverty missed out on a top-10 finish here only when he crashed (Race 2, 2011: classified 13th; 2012 Race 2).



HONDA Alessandro DELBIANCO

Nationality Italian Rimini
Born 31/07/1997 Age 21 Starts 16

Points 5

Team Althea Mie Racing Team
Championship: P21 Pts.: 5

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 2

Best race: 11 Best grid: 14

Last year, in the Superstock 1000 championship weekend in Misano, Delbianco had to withdraw due to physical problems with his shoulder.



Kawasaki Toprak RAZGATLIOGLU

Nationality Turkish Sakarya
Born 16/10/1996 Age 22 Starts 40
Podiums 4 Last podium: 2019, Jerez/3

Points 246

Team Turkish Puccetti Racing
Championship: P7 Pts.: 95 Pod. 2

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 2

Best race: 11 Best grid: 14

Last year Toprak Razgatlioglu was 11th and 12th in Misano.
> Finished 4th in 2016 and 6th in 2017 in the Misano STK1000 races.
> In 2015 he was "just" third at the flag in Superstock 600, but that came after five straight wins from the start of the season, and was enough to grant him the title with two races to spare.
> Razgatlioglu was also 12th and 4th in the Rookies Cup races held here in 2013 and 2014.

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YAMAHA Michael VAN DER MARK

Nationality Dutch Gouda
Born 26/10/1992 Age 26 Starts 119
Wins 3 Last win: 2019, Jerez/3
Podiums 26 Last podium: 2019, Jerez/3
Poles 1 Last pole: 2016, Buriram
Front Rows 2 Fastest laps 2 Points 1,205

Team Pata Yamaha Official WorldSBK Team
Championship: P3 Pts.: 188 Wins 1 Pod. 5

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 8 Podiums 2 Best race: 2 Best grid: 5
Two podium finishes for Michael Van der Mark in Misano: he was third in Race 1, 2016, for Honda and second from pole position in Race 2 last year with Yamaha. In the latter, van der Mark was able to lead for 16 laps before being passed by Rea three laps from the end; he was able to stay with the World Champion, but didn't manage to re-pass him.
> Has finished in the top ten seven out of his eight Misano WorldSBK races, missing out only in 2017 Race 1, due to a puncture.
> The above results are even more impressive considering that Van der Mark qualified only once for the top-3 rows of the starting grid: he was 5th in qualifying in 2017.
> In 2012 he won from fifth on the grid the Superstock 600 race, taking the lead two laps from the end and fighting off Riccardo Russo: the two were separated by 0.095 seconds at the line.



BMW Tom SYKES

Nationality British Huddersfield
Born 19/08/1985 Age 33 Starts 275
Wins 34 Last win: 2018, Assen/2
Podiums 108 Last podium: 2018, Losail/1
Poles 48 Last pole: 2018, Losail
Front Rows 79 Fastest laps 38 Points 3,285.5

Team BMW Motorrad WorldSBK Team
Championship: P10 Pts.: 80

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 18 Wins 4 Podiums 7 Poles 7 Best race: 1 Best grid: 1
Tom Sykes last year set a new record in WorldSBK history: he became the first rider with 7 poles at any given track (*). His race results are equally impressive with four wins and a total of seven podium placements. Last year Sykes was twice fifth at the flag.
> With four wins, this is his second best track after Donington, where he won 9 times.
> His seven poles here came in succession from 2011 onwards: a record string in WorldSBK history.
> His only front row qualifying positions have been the aforementioned pole positions.
> He has finished all his 18 Misano races: the only time he hasn't scored points here is in 2010's Race 2, when he was 16th.
(* And the day he set his record was 07/07/2018.



YAMAHA Loris BAZ

Nationality French Sallanches
Born 01/02/1993 Age 26 Starts 89
Wins 2 Last win: 2013, Silverstone/2
Podiums 14 Last podium: 2014, Losail/1
Poles 2 Last pole: 2014, Jerez
Front Rows 5 Fastest laps 2 Points 761

Team Ten Kate Racing - Yamaha
Championship: P19 Pts.: 11

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 6 Podiums 2 Best race: 2 Best grid: 4
Loris Baz has been on the podium twice in Misano, in the 2014 weekend: he was second in both races behind his teammate Tom Sykes. Last year, the Frenchman qualified in 6th, crashed in Race 1 and was 9th in Race 2.



Kawasaki Jordi TORRES

Nationality Spanish Rubi
Born 27/08/1987 Age 31 Starts 115
Wins 1 Last win: 2015, Losail/1
Podiums 4 Last podium: 2015, Losail/1

Front Rows 2 Points 781

Team Team Pedercini Racing
Championship: P11 Pts.: 65

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 8 Best race: 4 Best grid: 6
Jordi Torres has finished in the top ten here four times, with a fourth as his best result in 2017, Race 1. Last year he crashed in Race 1 and retired from Race 2.
> When he finished the race here for BMW - three times - he was always the best rider under the flag for the German manufacturer.



Kawasaki Leon HASLAM

Nationality British Derby (London)
Born 31/05/1983 Age 36 Starts 233
Wins 5 Last win: 2015, Losail/2
Podiums 41 Last podium: 2019, Phillip Island/3
Poles 3 Last pole: 2015, Magny Cours
Front Rows 24 Fastest laps 6 Points 2,068

Team Kawasaki Racing Team
Championship: P5 Pts.: 130 Pod. 2

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 14 Podiums 3 Best race: 2 Best grid: 2
Three podiums out of fourteen starts for Leon Haslam in Misano: he was 2nd for Suzuki in Race 2, 2010; 3rd for BMW in 2012, Race 2; 3rd for Aprilia in 2015, Race 2.
> Haslam claimed one front row start in Tissot Superpole here: a second place in 2015.
> Scored points 13 times out of 14 here, missing out only in 2011, Race 1 while running fourth.



DUCATI Michele PIRRO

Nationality Italian San Giovanni
Born 05/07/1986 Age 32 Starts 6

Points 45

Team Barni Racing Team

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 2 Best race: 8 Best grid: 10
Michele Pirro raced in WorldSBK in Misano in 2015, replacing Luca Scassa from FP3 onwards. He scored a double eight-place on that occasion, at his second WorldSBK weekend after Magny Cours 2013.
> Pirro raced here also in MotoGP: six times from 2012 to last year. He scored points five times and his best result is a 5th in the 2017 race.
> Pirro has an astonishing record in the Italian Superbike Championship at this track: he won no less than 11 races out of 14 contested. When he didn't win, he retired while leading (2015 Race 1, 2018 Race 3) or was disqualified after having won the race (2016 Race 2).



DUCATI Samuele CAVALIERI

Nationality Italian Bologna
Born 07/06/1997 Age 22 Starts

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Team Motocorsa

Samuele Cavalieri makes his WorldSBK debut at a circuit that he knows quite well. Since 2017 he has raced there no less than 10 times in the Italian Superbike Championship and his best results came earlier this year. On the 30th and 31st of March he finished second in both races behind Michele Pirro and took the pole position in qualifying.
> Last year Cavalieri was 10th on the grid and 8th in the Superstock race run in Misano.