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Kawasaki Jonathan REA

Nationality British Ballymena
Born 02/02/1987 Age 32 Starts 262
Wins 75 Last win: 2019, Misano/3
Podiums 150 Last podium: 2019, Misano/3
Poles 19 Last pole: 2019, Misano
Front Rows 71 Fastest laps 60 Points 4,040.5

Team Kawasaki Racing Team
Championship: P2 Pts.: 314 Wins 4 Poles 3 Pod. 16

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 18 Wins 2 Podiums 8 Best race: 1 Best grid: 2
The huge amount of success enjoyed by Rea in the WorldSBK championship means that his two wins here (2012 Race 1 and 2017 Race 2) make this only the eleventh-best track for him. Last year, Rea was second and third in the Donington races.
> Rea's success is not limited by his wins though, as he climbed on the podium 8 times here, seven out of eight for Kawasaki from 2015 onwards, missing out only in 2017 Race 1 after a tyre issue.
> His 8 podiums here are the fourth best value for this track after the 14 by Tom Sykes, 13 by Troy Corser and 11 by Carl Fogarty.
> Rea's only podium in his 10 races for Honda here was also his only win with his former team: that was in 2012, Race 2, after making contact with Leon Haslam at the last corner: as a result, both BMWs were knocked off.
> Holds the record for fastest race laps in Donington, 7, the same value of Carl Fogarty.
> His best Tissot Superpole result here is a second place, obtained no less than three times: 2015, 2017 and 2018.

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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: P17 Pts.: 26

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 16 Podiums 1 Best race: 3 Best grid: 5
Leon Camier stood on the podium in third behind Carlos Checa and Marco Melandri here in 2011's Race 2, which is his only appearance on the rostrum in 16 races run at Donington. Last year, he was twice in the top ten for Honda: 10th in Race 1 and 8th in Race 2.
> Camier recorded his maiden WorldSBK points here in 2009 in Race 1 (13th) and his first top ten finish in Race 2 (6th) in his first weekend in the series.
> Scored points 14 times out of 16 here (he was a non-starter for a torn ligament in 2014).

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Ducati Chaz DAVIES

Nationality British Knighton
Born 10/02/1987 Age 32 Starts 195
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 2,403.5

Team Aruba.it Racing - Ducati
Championship: P8 Pts.: 114 Poles 1 Pod. 3

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 14 Podiums 4 Best race: 3 Best grid: 2
If Leon Haslam's performances are defined by second places here, Chaz Davies so far has had a third as recurrent result: he was third four times, his best placement here, his last coming in the second race in 2017. Last year, he finished 8th and 5th.
> Scored points here 13 times out of 14, missing out only in 2016 Race 1 after a fall. He crashed also in 2017 Race 1 from the lead, but remounted to finish eighth.
> Recorded two Superpole front rows: second in 2016, and third in 2017.
> In 2011, he lost out in the World Supersport race by only 0.2 seconds to Luca Scassa.

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Yamaha Sandro CORTESE

Nationality German Ochsenhausen
Born 06/01/1990 Age 29 Starts 19
Front Rows 2 Points 93

Team GRT Yamaha WorldSBK
Championship: P10 Pts.: 93

Last year Sandro Cortese was the race winner from the third grid spot in the WorldSSP Donington Park race: after the weekend he led the Championship for the first time.
> In 125cc, Cortese raced four times here from 2005 to 2009, obtaining a ninth as best result in 2009.

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Ducati Alvaro BAUTISTA

Nationality Spanish Talavera de la Reina
Born 21/11/1984 Age 34 Starts 19
Wins 14 Last win: 2019, Misano/2
Podiums 17 Last podium: 2019, Misano/2
Poles 3 Last pole: 2019, Assen
Front Rows 6 Fastest laps 12 Points 330

Team Aruba.it Racing - Ducati
Championship: P1 Pts.: 330 Wins 14 Poles 3 Pod. 17

Donington Park is not a new track for Alvaro Bautista: he has raced here seven times already, albeit the last being ten years ago when he was second in the 250cc World Championship GP.
> Bautista was able to record a hat-trick of pole, win and fastest race lap here in the 125cc championship back in 2006: his second Donington Park podium in that series after his second place in 2004.
> Bautista then was twice on the podium out of three showings here in 250cc: third after recording pole in 2008 and second in 2009, his last world championship race here.

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Ducati Michael Ruben RINALDI

Nationality Italian Rimini
Born 21/12/1995 Age 23 Starts 35
Points 154

Team Barni Racing Team
Championship: P11 Pts.: 77

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 2 Best race: 12 Best grid: 15
Last year, Michael Ruben Rinaldi scored points in 12th in Race 1, while in Race 2 he remained stationary on the grid and his race finished there.
> Rinaldi was 5th in 2016 in Superstock 1000, while in 2017, he had recorded pole, but crashed out while pressured by Razgatioglu, who eventually came out as the winner.

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Yamaha Alex LOWES

Nationality British Lincoln
Born 14/09/1990 Age 28 Starts 148
Wins 1 Last win: 2018, Brno/2
Podiums 16 Last podium: 2019, Misano/2
Poles 1 Last pole: 2018, Assen
Front Rows 8 Fastest laps 3 Points 1,060

Team Pata Yamaha Official WorldSBK Team
Championship: P4 Pts.: 164 Pod. 5

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 8 Podiums 2 Best race: 3 Best grid: 4
Two podiums for Alex Lowes at Donington Park: 3rd in Race 1, 2014 and in Race 1, 2017. Lowes has the distinction of having always finished his races here in the top nine. Last year, Lowes was just off the podium with two fourth places.
> Had to miss the 2016 weekend due to a broken collarbone.

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HONDA Ryuichi KIYONARI

Nationality Japanese Saitama
Born 23/09/1982 Age 36 Starts 72
Wins 3 Last win: 2008, Donington/2
Podiums 6 Last podium: 2009, Monza/2

Front Rows 4 Fastest laps 1 Points 361

Team Moriwaki Althea Honda Team
Championship: P19 Pts.: 14

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

Donington Park is one of two tracks (*) where Kiyonari recorded a WorldSBK win: that was in 2008, Race 2, after he had crashed in Race 1. In his last showing here in 2009, he finished 10th and 7th. (*) The other one is another British track, Brands Hatch, where he recorded his maiden win and maiden double earlier in 2008.

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BMW Markus REITERBERGER

Nationality German Trostberg
Born 09/03/1994 Age 25 Starts 57

Front Rows 1 Points 180

Team BMW Motorrad WorldSBK Team
Championship: P13 Pts.: 56

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 2 Best race: 11 Best grid: 18

Markus Reiterberger was 11th and 16th here in 2016 for BMW.
> Last year, he dominated the Superstock 1000 event with a hat-trick of pole, win and fastest race lap, leading from lights to flag.

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YAMAHA Marco MELANDRI

Nationality Italian Ravenna
Born 07/08/1982 Age 36 Starts 170
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 2,155.5

Team GRT Yamaha WorldSBK
Championship: P7 Pts.: 116 Pod. 3

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 12 Wins 2 Podiums 4 Best race: 1 Best grid: 3

Marco Melandri has stood on the podium four times here: he was the race winner in 2011, Race 1 (maiden WorldSBK win) and the following year, always in Race 1. He was second in 2011's Race 2 and in 2013's Race 1. Last year Melandri endured a hard weekend as he crashed in Race 1 and in Race 2 he was eleventh at the flag, struggling physically with arm pain.
> He was en route for a podium finish also in 2012's Race 2, but his team-mate Haslam was hit by Rea at the last corner and took him out.
> Melandri's best Tissot Superpole effort here is a third, recorded in 2012 and 2014.

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Kawasaki Leandro MERCADO

Nationality Argentinean Jesus Maria, Cordoba
Born 15/02/1992 Age 27 Starts 98

Front Rows 1 Points 362

Team Orelac Racing VerdNatura
Championship: P16 Pts.: 26

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 8 Best race: 7 Best grid: 9

Leandro Mercado scored points here five times out of eight: his best result is a 7th, scored in 2017, Race 1, best Aprilia rider at the flag. Last year, Mercado was 13th and 12th.
> In the second 2017 race, he was able to lead for a lap: his first race led in WorldSBK.
> In 2016 he was second in the Superstock 1000 race, behind Raffaele de Rosa.

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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 Gooleven
Championship: P14 Pts.: 32

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 12 Podiums 1 Best race: 3 Best grid: 3

A problematic track for Eugene Laverty as so far, he was able to see the chequered flag twice only in 2013, when he was 7th and 3rd, the latter being his only podium here. Laverty entered six Donington Park WorldSBK weekends, the last one last year, when he was 6th in Race 1 and retired in Race 2.

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HONDA Alessandro DELBIANCO

Nationality Italian Rimini
Born 31/07/1997 Age 21 Starts 19

Points 10

Team Althea Mie Racing Team
Championship: P23 Pts.: 10

Last year Alessandro Delbianco recorded the third best time in qualifying for the Superstock race, but he crashed out on the opening lap.

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Kawasaki Toprak RAZGATLIOGLU

Nationality Turkish Sakarya
Born 16/10/1996 Age 22 Starts 43
Podiums 5 Last podium: 2019, Misano/3
Fastest laps 1 Points 272

Team Turkish Puccetti Racing
Championship: P6 Pts.: 121 Pod. 3

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 2 Podiums 1 Best race: 2 Best grid: 8

Last year Toprak Razgatlioglu recorded here his maiden WorldSBK podium (*), finishing second in Race 2. In Race 1 he had less luck, as an accident with Leon Haslam deprived him of a likely eighth place. He remounted to finish 21st.
> In 2017 Razgatlioglu dominated the Superstock 1000 race, winning comfortably from Florian Marino and Max Scheib: that was his first time at the top of the championship standings.
> In 2016 he was 6th in the Superstock 1000 race.
(* That was also the first WorldSBK podium by a Turkish rider.

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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 Wins 2 Podiums 2 Best race: 1 Best grid: 6

Donington Park is the track which made Michael van der Mark a World Superbike winner, as last year he not only recorded here his maiden win (*), but also his first double, claiming also Race 2.
> Since 2016, Van der Mark has always improved his results here: twice 8th in 2016; 5th and 4th in 2017; double winner last year. By contrast, in 2015 he hadn't finished his Donington Park races.
> His best Tissot Superpole result here is a sixth, obtained last year: in his three previous attempts he hadn't been able to enter the top ten.
> He dominated the 2014 World Supersport race with pole position (his maiden pole in World Supersport), race victory and fastest lap.
(* *He became also the first winner for his country, the Netherlands. Van der Mark put an end to a 168 races winning drought for Yamaha started back in 2011 (Algarve/2: Melandri).*)



BMW Tom SYKES

Nationality British Huddersfield
Born 19/08/1985 Age 33 Starts 278
Wins 34 Last win: 2018, Assen/2
Podiums 109 Last podium: 2019, Misano/1
Poles 48 Last pole: 2018, Losail
Front Rows 80 Fastest laps 38 Points 3,315.5

Team BMW Motorrad WorldSBK Team
Championship: P9 Pts.: 110 Pod. 1

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 20 Wins 9 Podiums 14 Poles 6 Best race: 1 Best grid: 1

Tom Sykes has an incredible record in Donington: no less than 9 straight wins from 2013 Race 1 to 2017 Race 1, a record string for any given track in WorldSBK history. Last year Sykes was third in Race 1 after having led 9 laps, and in Race 2 he was sixth (*), lamenting a wrong tyre choice.
> His nine wins here are the track record: Carl Fogarty follows at six.
> Claimed six poles here: again a track record. Fogarty follows at four. Sykes recorded 7 poles only in Misano so far.
> With a current string of four poles started in 2015, and the aforementioned 6 in the last 7 years, Sykes is the man to beat in Tissot Superpole.
> He is the only rider with a string of four Donington Park poles: all the others never managed more than two in a row.
> Last year's Tissot Superpole was his 44th, giving him the absolute all-time lead (Troy Corser 43).
> In all the other tracks he has visited so far, he has never won more than 4 times (Misano).
> With his third place in Race 1 last year, he set the new record for Donington podiums, 14, as Troy Corser stopped at 13.
(* *That 6th place was his first finish outside the podium in Donington after a record string of 13 started in 2012 Race 1.*)



YAMAHA Loris BAZ

Nationality French Sallanches
Born 01/02/1993 Age 26 Starts 92
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 778

Team Ten Kate Racing - Yamaha
Championship: P15 Pts.: 28

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 8 Podiums 2 Best race: 2 Best grid: 3

Loris Baz has scored two podiums in Donington Park: he was twice second in 2014. Last year he had recorded a front row grid spot in Tissot Superpole, starting in third and was seventh and tenth in the races.
> Scored points seven times out of eight here, missing out only in his maiden WorldSBK race here, in 2012, Race 1, when he finished 16th.



Kawasaki Jordi TORRES

Nationality Spanish Rubi
Born 27/08/1987 Age 31 Starts 118
Wins 1 Last win: 2015, Losail/1
Podiums 4 Last podium: 2015, Losail/1
Front Rows 2 Points 791

Team Team Pedercini Racing
Championship: P12 Pts.: 75

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 8 Best race: 7 Best grid: 6

Jordi Torres scored points seven times out of eight at Donington Park, missing out only in 2017, Race 2, due to a fall. His best result here is a seventh, scored in both 2015 races and in 2016 Race 1. Last year, Torres was 11th and 9th.



Kawasaki Leon HASLAM

Nationality British Derby (London)
Born 31/05/1983 Age 36 Starts 236
Wins 5 Last win: 2015, Losail/2
Podiums 43 Last podium: 2019, Misano/3
Poles 3 Last pole: 2015, Magny Cours
Front Rows 24 Fastest laps 6 Points 2,091

Team Kawasaki Racing Team
Championship: P5 Pts.: 153 Pod. 4

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 16 Podiums 3 Best race: 2 Best grid: 2

Sixteen World Superbike races at Donington Park for Leon Haslam, whose performances are marked by number 2. He has been second on three occasions in Tissot Superpole (2011, 2012, 2014) and three times second in the races (2009 Race 2, 2012 Race 2 and 2017 Race 1): these second places are his best results at the track and also his only front rows in Tissot Superpole and his only podium finishes here.
> Haslam raced 16 times also in the British Championship here, recording four wins and climbing 12 times on the podium.