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Riders' Performances at Laguna Seca

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KAWASAKI Jonathan REA

Nationality British Ballymena
Born 02/02/1987 Age 32 Starts 265
Wins 78 Last win: 2019, Donington/3
Podiums 153 Last podium: 2019, Donington/3
Poles 19 Last pole: 2019, Misano
Front Rows 72 Fastest laps 61 Points 4,102.5

Team Kawasaki Racing Team
Championship: P1 Pts.: 376 Wins 7 Poles 3 Pod. 19

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 10 Wins 4 Podiums 8 Best race: 1 Best grid: 2
Jonathan Rea's record at Laguna Seca is impressive: he is the only rider to have claimed four wins at Laguna Seca, the last three being consecutive, and climbed on the podium eight times. Last year, his double allowed him to overtake Chaz Davies for wins at this track, while Chaz had to settle for second in both races.
> Missed out on a podium finish in only his first race here, when he was 6th in Race 1, 2014 and in 2016 in Race 2, for a technical problem.
> His best Superpole result here is a second place, recorded in 2016 and 2017; last year, he started from third.
> Recorded three fastest race laps in Laguna Seca and since he started racing for Kawasaki in 2015, his best race lap here was either first or second.

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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 10 Best race: 6 Best grid: 7
Leon Camier recorded seven podium finishes out of ten in Laguna Seca, his best result being a sixth with MV Agusta in Race 1, 2017. Luck has not been on his side in recent times, as he wasn't able to reach the chequered flag three times in the last five races. Last year, he retired in Race 1 and in Race 2, he finished 13th after crashing and remounting.
> Recorded his best Superpole result last year: seventh at his first race weekend there for Honda.

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DUCATI Chaz DAVIES

Nationality British Knighton
Born 10/02/1987 Age 32 Starts 198
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 2,419.5

Team Aruba.it Racing - Ducati
Championship: P8 Pts.: 130 Poles 1 Pod. 3

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 11 Wins 3 Podiums 8 Poles 2 Best race: 1 Best grid: 1
With eight podium finishes and three wins, Chaz Davies is one of the most successful riders around Laguna Seca. Last year, he was twice second to Jonathan Rea.
> Davies recorded the double from pole in 2015, leading every lap. He was the winner in Race 1 in 2017 after taking P1 from Tom Sykes at the Corkscrew on the Lap 12.
> He has always qualified in the top five here, taking Superpole in 2015 and last year. He has recorded two more front rows - third in 2014 and 2017.
> Three wins is the second-best value for this track: last year Jonathan Rea surpassed him thanks to a double, becoming the most successful rider here.
> Davies has finished his last five races run here on the podium. At this track, he either finished on the podium (8 times) or retired (3 times).
> Recorded more podium finishes only in Aragon (12).

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YAMAHA Sandro CORTESE

Nationality German Ochsenhausen
Born 06/01/1990 Age 29 Starts 22

Front Rows 2 Points 96

Team GRT Yamaha WorldSBK
Championship: P10 Pts.: 96

This will be the first race weekend for Sandro Cortese in Laguna Seca.

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DUCATI Alvaro BAUTISTA

Nationality Spanish Talavera de la Reina
Born 21/11/1984 Age 34 Starts 22
Wins 14 Last win: 2019, Misano/2
Podiums 18 Last podium: 2019, Donington/3
Poles 3 Last pole: 2019, Assen
Front Rows 6 Fastest laps 12 Points 352

Team Aruba.it Racing - Ducati
Championship: P2 Pts.: 352 Wins 14 Poles 3 Pod. 18

Bautista raced in Laguna Seca four times in MotoGP from 2010 to 2013. He retired in his first two races here, while he was 8th in 2012 and 4th in 2013, just 0.059s shy of the last podium position, occupied by Valentino Rossi.

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DUCATI Michael Ruben RINALDI

Nationality Italian Rimini
Born 21/12/1995 Age 23 Starts 38

Points 162

Team Barni Racing Team
Championship: P11 Pts.: 85

This will be the first race weekend for Michael Ruben Rinaldi at Laguna Seca.

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YAMAHA Alex LOWES

Nationality British Lincoln
Born 14/09/1990 Age 28 Starts 151
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 1,088

Team Pata Yamaha Official WorldSBK Team
Championship: P4 Pts.: 192 Pod. 5

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 10 Podiums 1 Best race: 3 Best grid: 5
Up to last year, Alex Lowes endured difficult weekends in Laguna Seca as he retired three times out of eight, all of which were crashes. Last year, he finally enjoyed a trouble-free weekend and recorded his best results: fifth in Tissot Superpole and third and fourth in the races.
> Despite the aforementioned inconveniences, Lowes was able to finish in the top ten here six times out of ten.
> Last year's podium in Race 1 was the first for Yamaha here since 2000 (Noriyuki Haga 2nd in Race 2).

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HONDA Ryuichi KIYONARI

Nationality Japanese Saitama
Born 23/09/1982 Age 36 Starts 75
Wins 3 Last win: 2008, Donington/2
Podiums 6 Last podium: 2009, Monza/2

|This will be the first WorldSBK weekend for Kiyonari in Laguna Seca.

Front Rows 4 Fastest laps 1 Points 366

Team Moriwaki Althea Honda Team
Championship: P19 Pts.: 19

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BMW Markus REITERBERGER

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

|This will be the first race weekend for Markus Reiterberger in Laguna Seca.

Front Rows 1 Points 180

Team BMW Motorrad WorldSBK Team
Championship: P14 Pts.: 56

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YAMAHA Marco MELANDRI

Nationality Italian Ravenna
Born 07/08/1982 Age 36 Starts 173
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 2,163.5

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 8 Wins 1 Podiums 2 Best race: 1 Best grid: 4

Marco Melandri always raced for top positions at Laguna Seca: he climbed on the podium with third in Race 2 for BMW in 2013, won the following year in Race 1 for Aprilia and has been three times fourth (both 2017 races and 2013 Race 1) and once fifth (last year Race 1). He adds to these amazing results two setbacks: he crashed while leading in 2014, Race 2 and last year in Race 2, while running fourth).

> Never qualified on the front row here: his best grid spot came in 2017 in 4th. Last year, he qualified in 10th, his worst Superpole result at this track.

Team GRT Yamaha WorldSBK
Championship: P9 Pts.: 124 Pod. 3

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Kawasaki Leandro MERCADO

Nationality Argentinean Jesus Maria, Cordoba
Born 15/02/1992 Age 27 Starts 101

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

Leandro Mercado scored points five times out of six in Laguna Seca: his best result came in 2017 Race 2, when he finished seventh. Last year, he crashed in Race 1 and was 11th in Race 2.

Front Rows 1 Points 374

Team Orelac Racing VerdNatura
Championship: P15 Pts.: 38

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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

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 8 Wins 1 Podiums 3 Best race: 1 Best grid: 3

Eugene Laverty won for Aprilia in 2013's Race 2 at Laguna Seca, after finishing 3rd in Race 1, claiming two positions on the final lap over Sylvain Guintoli and Marco Melandri. Last year, he was fourth in Race 1 and in Race 2 he was able to lead for seven laps after starting from pole, before having to settle for third as Rea and Davies, two of the most successful riders at Laguna Seca, passed him on the 8th and 10th lap.

> When Laverty reached the chequered flag here, he was always been classified in the top six: six times out of eight (he crashed out in 2014 Race 1, and 2017 Race 1).

Team Team Goeleven
Championship: P16 Pts.: 32

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HONDA Alessandro DELBIANCO

Nationality Italian Rimini
Born 31/07/1997 Age 21 Starts 22

|This will be the first race weekend for Alessandro Delbianco in Laguna Seca.

Points 18

Team Althea Mie Racing Team
Championship: P20 Pts.: 18

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Kawasaki Toprak RAZGATLIOGLU

Nationality Turkish Sakarya
Born 16/10/1996 Age 22 Starts 46

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 1 Best race: Best grid: 13

Last year, Toprak Razgatlioglu, at his first weekend in Laguna Seca, crashed in Race 1 and was declared unfit for Race 2.

Podiums 7 Last podium: 2019, Donington/3

Fastest laps 2 Points 304

Team Turkish Puccetti Racing
Championship: P6 Pts.: 153 Pod. 5

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YAMAHA Michael VAN DER MARK

Nationality Dutch Gouda
Born 26/10/1992 Age 26 Starts 122
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 1,223

Team Pata Yamaha Official WorldSBK Team
Championship: P3 Pts.: 206 Wins 1 Pod. 5

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 8

Best race: 4 Best grid: 9

Michael Van der Mark finished all his eight races at Laguna Seca in the top ten: his best result is a fourth in Race 1, 2016, for Honda. Last year with Yamaha, he came close to repeating that as he was fifth in Race 2 after finishing eighth in Race 1.
> Started only once in the top ten here: ninth last year.



BMW Tom SYKES

Nationality British Huddersfield
Born 19/08/1985 Age 33 Starts 281
Wins 34 Last win: 2018, Assen/2
Podiums 110 Last podium: 2019, Donington/1
Poles 49 Last pole: 2019, Donington
Front Rows 81 Fastest laps 39 Points 3,344.5

Team BMW Motorrad WorldSBK Team
Championship: P7 Pts.: 139 Poles 1 Pod. 2

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 12 Wins 3 Podiums 9 Poles 3 Best race: 1 Best grid: 1

Tom Sykes is the active rider with the highest number of podiums here, nine, two shy of the track record of Troy Corser. Last year, was the only one without Sykes on the podium in Laguna Seca since 2013, as he finished seventh and eighth.
> Won three times here (2013 Race 1, 2014 Race 2, 2016 Race 2): only one shy of the track record of Jonathan Rea.
> Shares the record of Superpoles here with Troy Corser (3).
> Shares also the record of front rows in Superpole here, with Troy Corser and Pierfrancesco Chili (5).
> Five front rows out of six Superpoles in Laguna Seca: he missed out only in 2015, when he was fourth.
> Led no less than seven races at Laguna Seca, including both 2016 and 2017 ones.
> This could be the fourth track in which he records a tenth podium after Donington Park (15 podiums), Imola (12), Magny-Cours (10).



YAMAHA Loris BAZ

Nationality French Sallanches
Born 01/02/1993 Age 26 Starts 95
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 806

Team Ten Kate Racing - Yamaha
Championship: P13 Pts.: 56

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 4

Best race: 6 Best grid: 8

Loris Baz raced twice in WorldSBK here: he was ninth and sixth in 2014 for Kawasaki and 15th and 10th last year for BMW.



Kawasaki Jordi TORRES

Nationality Spanish Rubi
Born 27/08/1987 Age 31 Starts 121
Wins 1 Last win: 2015, Losail/1
Podiums 4 Last podium: 2015, Losail/1
Front Rows 2 Points 792

Team Team Pedercini Racing
Championship: P12 Pts.: 76

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 8

Best race: 4 Best grid: 3

Jordi Torres so far has been a consistent top ten finisher in Laguna Seca: seven times out of eight, missing out only in 2017, Race 2 due to a fall. Last year, he was 9th and 7th for MV Agusta.
> Finished at least once in every position from 4th to 9th here. His best result, fourth, came in 2015, Race 2.
> Qualified on the front row here in 2015: 3rd.
> When he finished the race here for a manufacturer fielding more than one bike, he was always the best rider at the flag (twice for Aprilia, three times for BMW). Last year he was the only MV Agusta rider entered.



Kawasaki Leon HASLAM

Nationality British Derby (London)
Born 31/05/1983 Age 36 Starts 239
Wins 5 Last win: 2015, Losail/2
Podiums 45 Last podium: 2019, Donington/2
Poles 3 Last pole: 2015, Magny Cours
Front Rows 25 Fastest laps 6 Points 2,125

Team Kawasaki Racing Team
Championship: P5 Pts.: 187 Pod. 6

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 8

Best race: 5 Best grid: 6

Eight races at Laguna Seca for Leon Haslam: his best result is a 5th, scored in his last outing here: 2015 Race 2. That year, he also recorded his best Laguna Seca grid spot in 6th.