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Riders' Performances at Losail

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**1**

**Kawasaki Jonathan REA**

Nationality British Ballymena  
Born 02/02/1987 Age 32 Starts 277  
Wins 85 Last win: 2019, San Juan/3  
Podiums 165 Last podium: 2019, San Juan/3  
Poles 22 Last pole: 2019, Magny Cours  
Front Rows 76 Fastest laps 66 Points 4,327.5

Team Kawasaki Racing Team  
Championship: P1 Pts.: 601 Wins 14 Poles 6 Pod. 31

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 11 Wins 3 Podiums 7 Poles 2 Best race: 1 Best grid: 1  
Jonathan Rea is the man to beat in Losail: he has won the last three races run here, a double in 2017 and the single race run last year. Three wins make him the most successful rider around Losail.  
> Rea scored podiums seven times out of eleven in Losail: this record goes up to six out of seven since he joined Kawasaki in 2015. His only missed podium in this time span was 2015 Race 2 when he failed to finish.  
> He has always qualified on the front row with Kawasaki here: second in 2015 and 2018 and on pole in 2016 and 2017.  
> His seven podiums here are unrivalled: his best competitor is Max Biaggi at 6.  
> Rea has recorded the fastest race lap in all of the last four races run here, making him the rider with most fastest laps in Losail.  
> Posted the best Supersport lap here both in 2016 and 2017.  
> His win last year allowed him to equal the season record of wins, 17, recorded only once before in history, in 1991 by Doug Polen. This year he is in the position to repeat it, but he has to win all the three races of the weekend.

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**Honda Leon CAMIER**

Nationality British Ashford, Kent  
Born 04/08/1986 Age 33 Starts 220  
Podiums 9 Last podium: 2013, Silverstone/1  
Front Rows 5 Fastest laps 1 Points 1,266.5

Team Moriwaki Althea Honda Team  
Championship: P17 Pts.: 45

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 7 Best race: 9 Best grid: 10  
The best weekend for Leon Camier at Losail was 2017, as he recorded two ninth places. His weekends here were often marred by bad luck as he crashed twice and on two other occasions he wasn't able to reach the chequered flag. Last year, he was tenth in Supersport but scored no points.

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**Ducati Chaz DAVIES**

Nationality British Knighton  
Born 10/02/1987 Age 32 Starts 209  
Wins 30 Last win: 2019, Laguna Seca/3  
Podiums 87 Last podium: 2019, San Juan/3  
Poles 7 Last pole: 2019, Imola  
Front Rows 22 Fastest laps 32 Points 2,538.5

Team Aruba.it Racing - Ducati  
Championship: P7 Pts.: 249 Wins 1 Poles 1 Pod. 8

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 9 Wins 2 Podiums 5 Best race: 1 Best grid: 3  
Chaz Davies dominated both races at Losail in 2016, when he led all laps. He has climbed on the podium five times in total. He adds to those wins two second places in 2017, and also second in Race 2, 2015. Last year, he was eighth from 12th on the grid: he lost a place on the final lap due to the fact that the "final lap" message was shown a lap earlier, so he slowed down thinking the race was over and was passed by Michael van der Mark.  
> His five podiums here are the third-highest number for Losail: only Rea (7), Biaggi and Sykes (6) fared better.  
> Davies has only qualified on the front row once here: he was third in the 2016 Supersport.

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**Yamaha Sandro CORTESE**

Nationality German Ochsenhausen  
Born 06/01/1990 Age 29 Starts 33  
Front Rows 3 Points 126

Team GRT Yamaha WorldSBK  
Championship: P11 Pts.: 126

In last year's World Supersport race, Sandro Cortese was second on the grid and in the race behind Lucas Mahias, but that was enough to grant him the World Championship.

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**Ducati Alvaro BAUTISTA**

Nationality Spanish Talavera de la Reina  
Born 21/11/1984 Age 34 Starts 33  
Wins 16 Last win: 2019, San Juan/1  
Podiums 22 Last podium: 2019, San Juan/2  
Poles 4 Last pole: 2019, San Juan  
Front Rows 8 Fastest laps 15 Points 460

Team Aruba.it Racing - Ducati  
Championship: P2 Pts.: 460 Wins 16 Poles 4 Pod. 22

Alvaro Bautista will race for the first time in WorldSBK at Losail, after having entered races here since 2004 in 125cc, 250cc and MotoGP™. He recorded a hat-trick of pole, win and fastest lap in 125cc back in 2006 and was on pole as well in the 2009 250cc race. His best race result in the latter series had come one year before, when he was sixth at the flag.  
He then raced here nine times in MotoGP™ from 2010 to 2018, recording a sixth as best result in the 2013 race. Last year, he was 21st on the grid and 13th in the race.

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**Ducati Michael Ruben RINALDI**

Nationality Italian Rimini  
Born 21/12/1995 Age 23 Starts 50  
Points 195

Team Barni Racing Team  
Championship: P13 Pts.: 118

This will be the first weekend for Rinaldi at Losail.

**22**


**Yamaha Alex LOWES**

Nationality British Lincoln  
Born 14/09/1990 Age 29 Starts 163  
Wins 1 Last win: 2018, Brno/2  
Podiums 18 Last podium: 2019, Magny Cours/3  
Poles 1 Last pole: 2018, Assen  
Front Rows 8 Fastest laps 4 Points 1,201

Team Pata Yamaha Official WorldSBK Team  
Championship: P3 Pts.: 305 Pod. 7

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 9 Podiums 2 Best race: 3 Best grid: 2  
Two podiums for Alex Lowe at Losail, and they all came with crucial overtakes. Two years ago, he claimed third on the 13th lap from Michael van der Mark in Race 2, while last year, he snatched third from Laverly on the very last lap.  
> Lowe was able to qualify for the front row in the last two weekends run here: he was second in Supersport in 2017 and third last year.

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**HONDA Ryuichi KIYONARI**

Nationality Japanese Saitama

Born 23/09/1982 Age 37 Starts 86

Wins 3 Last win: 2008, Donington/2

Podiums 6 Last podium: 2009, Monza/2


Front Rows 4 Fastest laps 1 Points 369

Team Moriwaki Althea Honda Team

Championship: P19 Pts.: 22

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 4 Best race: 4 Best grid: 12

Ryuichi Kiyonari raced here in WorldSBK in 2008 and 2009. In the 2008 weekend he was 22nd and 19th, and improved dramatically in 2009 as he was eighth and fourth.



**BMW Markus REITERBERGER**

Nationality German Trostberg

Born 09/03/1994 Age 25 Starts 69


Front Rows 1 Points 197

Team BMW Motorrad WorldSBK Team

Championship: P15 Pts.: 73

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 2 Best race: 15 Best grid: 17

Markus Reiterberger raced here in WorldSBK in 2016: he retired in Race 1 and was 15th in Race 2.



**YAMAHA Marco MELANDRI**

Nationality Italian Ravenna

Born 07/08/1982 Age 37 Starts 184

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 2,212.5

Team GRT Yamaha WorldSBK


Championship: P9 Pts.: 173 Pod. 3

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 5 Podiums 1 Best race: 3 Best grid: 8

Melandri climbed on the podium here in 2017 Race 1, when he was third for Ducati. He has always finished his five Losail races between third and eighth: last year he was ninth in Superpole and fifth in the race.

> He has raced eight times here in the MotoGP™ World Championship, climbing on the podium in 2nd behind Valentino Rossi in the 2005 race.

> The best Superpole result for Melandri at Losail is an eighth position (2014): this the only track on the current calendar where he has not qualified in the top four.



**Kawasaki Leandro MERCADO**

Nationality Argentinean Jesus Maria, Cordoba

Born 15/02/1992 Age 27 Starts 113

Front Rows 1 Points 411


Team Orelac Racing VerdNatura

Championship: P14 Pts.: 75

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 3 Best race: 6 Best grid: 10

Two WorldSBK race weekends for Mercado at Losail: he was ninth and sixth in 2015 and 12th from the 13th on the grid last year.

> In 2017, he didn't take part in the Losail round, as he ended his season in Jerez.



**DUCATI Eugene LAVERTY**

Nationality Irish Ballymena

Born 03/06/1986 Age 33 Starts 172

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 1,529.5


Team Team Goeleven

Championship: P16 Pts.: 63

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 5 Best race: 4 Best grid: 4

Four points finishes out of five for Eugene Laverty at Losail, as he twice fell short of a podium finish. That was in 2017 Race 1, when he was able to pass Sykes four laps from the end for fourth and last year, when he had qualified in fourth and was third up to the final lap, when he was passed by Lowes and finished again fourth.

His other two points finishes here are a ninth in Race 1, 2014, for Suzuki and a seventh in Race 2, 2017, for Aprilia.



**HONDA Alessandro DELBIANCO**

Nationality Italian Rimini


Born 31/07/1997 Age 22 Starts 33

Points 28

Team Althea Mie Racing Team

Championship: P18 Pts.: 28

This will be the first weekend for Alessandro Delbianco at Losail.



**Kawasaki Toprak RAZGATLIOGLU**

Nationality Turkish Sakarya

Born 16/10/1996 Age 23 Starts 58

Wins 2 Last win: 2019, Magny Cours/2

Podiums 15 Last podium: 2019, San Juan/3

Fastest laps 3 Points 450

Team Turkish Puccetti Racing

Championship: P5 Pts.: 299 Wins 2 Pod. 13

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 1 Best race: 10 Best grid: 11

Last year, Toprak Razgatlioglu was 11th in Superpole and tenth in the race.

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**YAMAHA Michael VAN DER MARK**

**Nationality** Dutch Gouda  
**Born** 26/10/1992 **Age** 26 **Starts** 134  
**Wins** 3 **Last win:** 2019, Jerez/3  
**Podiums** 29 **Last podium:** 2019, Magny Cours/3  
**Poles** 1 **Last pole:** 2016, Buriram  
**Front Rows** 4 **Fastest laps** 2 **Points** 1,321

**Team** Pata Yamaha Official WorldSBK Team  
**Championship:** P4 **Pts.:** 304 **Wins** 1 **Pod.** 8

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 7

Best race: 4 Best grid: 7

Michael van der Mark is looking for his first Losail podium as he came very close to achieving it twice but finished fourth. That was in 2015 Race 2 and in 2017 Race 2, when he lost the third spot on the thirteenth lap, being overtaken by Alex Lowes.  
> His only Losail race without points was 2017 Race 1, when he clashed with Tom Sykes.  
> Won the Qatar Supersport race leading every lap in 2014.



**BMW Tom SYKES**

**Nationality** British Huddersfield  
**Born** 19/08/1985 **Age** 34 **Starts** 293  
**Wins** 34 **Last win:** 2018, Assen/2  
**Podiums** 112 **Last podium:** 2019, Magny Cours/1  
**Poles** 49 **Last pole:** 2019, Donington  
**Front Rows** 82 **Fastest laps** 39 **Points** 3,424.5

**Team** BMW Motorrad WorldSBK Team  
**Championship:** P8 **Pts.:** 219 **Poles** 1 **Pod.** 4

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 11

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

This is one of the three tracks of the current calendar where Tom Sykes has never won, the others being Phillip Island and San Juan. His podium tally however is just one short of the track record of seven recorded by Jonathan Rea. His sixth and last podium came last year: he was second from pole, behind Jonathan Rea.  
> Sykes' other podiums here were four consecutive third places in the 2014 and 2015 weekends, and a second place in Race 2, 2016, after his team-mate Rea let him through to secure the second place in the Championship.  
> Recorded two Superpoles here: in 2015 and last year.



**YAMAHA Loris BAZ**

**Nationality** French Sallanches  
**Born** 01/02/1993 **Age** 26 **Starts** 106  
**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** 868

**Team** Ten Kate Racing - Yamaha  
**Championship:** P12 **Pts.:** 118

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 3

Podiums 1 Best race: 2 Best grid: 2

Two WorldSBK race weekends for Baz at Losail: he was second (\*) and seventh in 2014 and 6th from the 7th on the grid last year.  
> In 2014, he had qualified in second, just 0.248s from poleman Davide Giugliano.  
> Baz raced three times in MotoGP™ here from 2015 to 2017, scoring points on his last visit with a 12th place.  
(\*) His last podium finish to date.



**Kawasaki Jordi TORRES**

**Nationality** Spanish Rubi  
**Born** 27/08/1987 **Age** 32 **Starts** 133  
**Wins** 1 **Last win:** 2015, Losail/1  
**Podiums** 4 **Last podium:** 2015, Losail/1

**Front Rows** 2 **Points** 848

**Team** Team Pedercini Racing  
**Championship:** P10 **Pts.:** 132

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 6

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

Jordi Torres claimed his only WorldSBK win here in Losail in 2015, Race 1, in spectacular fashion as he was only sixth in the opening laps, but went on to pass van der Mark, Haslam, Davies, Rea and Sykes. Rea held on to him and tried to counter-attack, but went wide on the last corner, granting him the win.  
His last visit here was in 2017, when he was 7th in Race 1 (first BMW at the flag) but suffered a huge highside in Race 2.



**Kawasaki Leon HASLAM**

**Nationality** British Derby (London)  
**Born** 31/05/1983 **Age** 36 **Starts** 251  
**Wins** 5 **Last win:** 2015, Losail/2  
**Podiums** 45 **Last podium:** 2019, Donington/2  
**Poles** 3 **Last pole:** 2015, Magny Cours  
**Front Rows** 26 **Fastest laps** 6 **Points** 2,195

**Team** Kawasaki Racing Team  
**Championship:** P6 **Pts.:** 257 **Pod.** 6

WorldSBK scorecard here: Races 8

Wins 1 Podiums 1 Best race: 1 Best grid: 5

Leon Haslam won a spectacular Race 2 at Losail in 2015 (\*), when he was involved in a fierce battle with Chaz Davies: he came out as the winner as Davies went wide on the very last corner. That win is the only podium finish for Haslam here, despite scoring points in all his eight races run. The last time he faced Losail was in 2016, when he was 11th and fifth after having qualified in 16th.  
(\*) His last win and fastest race lap to date.