

# **RACING REPORT 2011**



The 2011 racing season is now history, bringing to an end another extremely successful season for MOTOREX. Consistent involvement in racing at the highest level is effective in two ways. Firstly, it showcases the impressive performances of all riders, although we can only list a few of them here. Secondly, it yields a great deal of valuable knowledge and test results, which allow us to keep improving our standard products. Making them better for everyone. Better for you. Let's look forward to a successful season in 2012!

### **MOTOCROSS**









**Antonio Cairoli** MX1 World Champion: "It is incredible. Everyone dreams of becoming World Champion and a fifth title... It's wonderful. I don't know what to say!" High 5, Toni!

Ken Roczen MX2 World Champion: "I've been working for two and a half years to win this. I just want to thank everyone who has helped me to achieve it. It was an incredible year. I'm over the moon!"

Jeffrey Herrlings MX2 Vice-World Champion: The 17-year-old Dutch rider, Jeffrey Herrlings, is runner-up in the MX2 World Championship.

Steffi Laier Woman's World MX Champion: Steffi was given her first motorcycle when she was 4 years old. Now the 26 year-old is celebrating her fourth World Championship title in the Women's MX class.

Ryan Dungey AMA MX: Dungey, who rides for the Rockstar Makita Suzuki team, came second in the AMA Motocross series and third in the AMA Supercross series. In 2012 Dungey will ride for KTM in the AMA series.

Jonathan Barragan Spanish MX Champion: The Spaniard from the Kawasaki team won the Spanish Championship.

Colton Facciotti Canadian MX1 Champion I Dusty Klatt Canadian MX1 Vice-Champion I Tyler Medaglia Canadian MX2 Champion: The Yamaha Red Bull Blackfoot Fox Racing team dominated the Canadian Motocross Championship.

### **ENDURO**









The 2011 racing season did not turn out how the KTM Enduro Factory Team was expecting. At the start of the season top rider David Knight (E3) dislocated his hip again and subsequently had to have an operation. Johnny Aubert (E2) suffered multiple injuries at the GP in Greece, which brought a premature end to his season. Aubert, the two-times Enduro World Champion, extended his contract as a KTM factory rider. He is 100% fit again and would like to compete for the E2 class title again in 2012.

The young KTM riders threw themselves into the breach and, in spite of everything, managed to take three Vice-World Champion titles. In the Enduro 1 class it was the Finn Eero Remes, in the Enduro 2 class the Spaniard Cristobal Guerrero and another Spaniard, Mario Roman, was Junior Vice-Champion.

Joakim Ljunggren from the Husaberg team took third place in the Enduro 3 class.

### **ROAD RACING**









Chaz Davies Supersport World Champion: Chaz Davies took the Supersport World Championship title at Magny Cours. After Cal Crutchlow, the 24-year-old is only the second British Champion in this class. Davies first tried his luck in the 250 cc class, even though this was not for long and success eluded him. Between 2007 and 2009 Davies won his spurs in the AMA series in the USA. At the end of 2009 he was invited by the ParkinGO team to ride for them in the Supersport World Championship for the last few races of the season. Here the Briton really made his mark. He came to Imola, where he had never ridden before, and took fourth place. The result: a ride for the new season. In this season Chaz took the World Championship title, gaining seven podium finishes, including five victories.

Luca Scassa 6th place in the Supersport World Championship: Chaz Davies's team colleague was placed sixth overall. Scassa summarised the situation: "I had my best and my worst year. A few stupid errors cost me a top three place in the overall rankings. However, when one year ends, the next one begins and I am hoping that next year will be better."

**Noriyuki Haga** 8th place in the Superbike World Championship: The 2011 Superbike World Championship was the twenty-fourth in the history of the FIM Superbike World Championship. Haga, who rides for the Pata Aprilia team, finished eighth in the final rankings. In his career Haga has achieved 112 podium finished in 286 races.

Martin Bauer IDM Superbike Champion: The last race in Hockenheim did not only bring the IDM season to an end but it was also the race when Martin Bauer bowed out of IDM racing. In seven years of racing in the IDM Superbike class, the 35-year-old with a Master's degree in engineering, who runs a motorcycle tuning company, has accumulated three championship titles, 30 victories and a further 34 podium finishes. Winning the title for the MOTOREX-KTM Team brought the Austrian's glittering career to a fitting end but he even managed to top this with a proposal of marriage to his partner Nicole.







**Blake Young** AMA Superbike Vice-Champion: "My Rockstar Makita Suzuki team worked hard throughout the whole year. I am happy that I won the last race and thus secured the title of Vice-Champion. When racing, I wanted to show what my team can achieve. I wanted to win because my team had earned it. They know how championships can be won. Thanks boys!"

**Tommy Hayden** 3rd place in the AMA Superbike Championship: The older brother of Moto GP star Nicky Hayden has finished the season third in the AMA Superbike Championship.

**Brett McCormick** Canadian Superbike Champion: Brett McCormick won the Canadian Superbike Championship. During trials for the World Superbike class, the Canadian was so impressive that Effenbert Ducati gave him a contract for the 2012 season. However, it is not yet certain whether he will compete in the Superbike class or the Superstock 1000.

**John Hopkins** British Superbike Vice-Champion: John Hopkins was injured for a long time but this second place puts him on track to return to the world elite. Only two points separated him from the winner Tommy Hill.

Tom Lüthi 5th place in Moto2: Lüthi's hopes of an even better result were dashed at the final race of the season in Valencia because of the heavy rain. In spite of an eventful season, the Swiss rider came fifth in the overall rankings and recorded a GP win with his first place in Malaysia.

**Team Bolliger** 8th place in the Endurance World Championship: Following on from the Vice-World Championship title the previous season, Team Bolliger came eighth in the overall rankings this year. Yet again the Swiss "David" has managed to trip up the "Goliaths" on the international Endurance scene. Although everything did not always turn out as they wanted, there were some good results, particularly the two fourth places at the Bol d'Or in Magny-Cours and Le Mans.

### **BIKE**









Karin Moor Bike Trial World Champion: This was the eleventh time Karin Moor had competed in the Bike Trial World Championship and her ninth World Championship title, thus bringing her international career to a perfect close at the World Championship in Champéry (Switzerland). She only collected nine penalty points, whereas the second-placed Spaniard Gemma Abant Condal received 35. The 24-year-old Swiss rider is one of the most successful Bike sportswomen of all time. There are only two women worldwide who have won more World Championship titles on two wheels – the two French women Jeannie Longo (road and track) and Anne-Caroline Chausson (downhill, 4-cross and dual), each notching up 13 wins.

Tracy Moseley + Aaron Gwin World Cup Winners: Aaron Gwin won the trophy with a further victory in the last race of the 2011 World Cup. A fifth place in Val di Sole was enough for Tracy Moseley to take the overall victory in the women's event.

**Gunn-Rita Dahle** European Champion X-Country: Dahle, who rides for the Multivan Merida Biking team, celebrated a magnificent comeback at the European Championships in Dohnany in Slovakia, where she won her fifth European title in the cross-country discipline.

José Hermida 4th place in the World Championship X-Country: The 2010 World Champion had to stop for a tyre repair, finishing just out of the medals in 4th place.

Lukas Flückiger 5th place in the World Championship X-Country: Flückiger, who rides for the Trek World Racing team, finished fifth at the World Championship in Champéry – a pleasing result.

Cadel Evans Winner of the Tour de France: The Australian took the top prize at the 98th Tour de France. The win in Paris is the crowning achievement of his career.





**Nico Müller** GP3: In a season full of highs and lows, Nico Müller was finally able to take fourth place. He missed out on third place by just two points. During the 2011 season Müller drove for the well-known Swiss team of Jenzer Motorsport.

After two years of GP3 and overall third and fourth placings, Nico Müller is now ready to progress to the next rung of the ladder in his career. The 19-year-old from Thun was given the opportunity for a GP2 test drive in Jerez for the Championship team DAMS and for Carlin. Just two weeks later he did both test drives in the 3.5 litre class of World Series by Renault for Epic Racing and Carlin. We will be interested to see Nico's next move in motor racing.

Peter Rikli ADAC Procar: Rikli Motorsport had every reason to celebrate at the end of the ADAC Procar 2011 season. Peter Rikli, Christian Fischer and guest driver Markus Huggler achieved podium finishes in Hockenheim. This secured third place in the final rankings for Peter Rikli.

Sandro Zeller Austria F3 Cup: Even before the last race Sandro Zeller from the Jo Zeller Team was able to be sure of winning the F3 Cup.

Thomas und Manuel Amweg Austria Formula Renault: At the Austria Formula Renault Cup in Hockenheim Thomas Aregger won both races. However, at the end it was Thomas Amweg who was able to celebrate winning the championship. He took two second places ahead of his brother Manuel (ranked fifth at the end of the season).

Fredy Bath WTCC: Barth experienced a difficult season in the WTCC. This was mainly due to technical issues with the new Seat Leon 1.6. In 2010 Fredy Barth started competing in the WTCC with Sunred. After a respectable 13th place in the final rankings in his rookie year, the Swiss driver wanted to make the top 10 in 2011 but things didn't turn out that way. In the final rankings he managed 19th place and tenth place under the privateers. He wants to get his own back next season.



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