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INTRODUCTION

Our story on two wheels originated 59 years ago in the four wheels of a blue Mini Cooper. In 1964, the Van Der Straten family began an adventure that has lasted more than five decades. Since its arrival in the MotoGP World Championship in 2010, Marc VDS Racing Team has been fighting tirelessly to achieve its dreams. Under the banner of effort, the search for excellence and work well done, the team has competed in all categories: Moto3, Moto2, MotoGP and MotoE. Over 100 podiums and three Moto2 World Championships (2014, 2017 and 2019) prove their past track record and future aspirations.

After finishing third in the 2020 World Championship and fourth in 2021 and 2022, the Belgian team continues its adventure in the intermediate class with Sam Lowes and Tony Arbolino as its Moto2 riders and the goal of remaining as one of strongest teams in the category.



Working and enjoying even more than as a team, as a family, to gift our supporters with the best performance and motorcycling show.



/// OUR
RIDERS

/// SAM
LOWES

NATIONALITY: British

PLACE OF BIRTH: Lincoln, England

DATE OF BIRTH: 14th September 1990

HEIGHT: 1.68 m

WEIGHT: 65 kg

HOBBIES: Playing golf

BIOGRAPHY

Sam's love of motorcycles runs in the family. His father competed nationally and passed on his passion for motorcycling to his children Sam and twin brother Alex, who started riding motorcycles at the age of six. They both started with motocross and at the age of 12 they made the leap into British Championships.

In 2014, Lowes appeared on the Moto2 World Championship grid after winning the World Supersport crown the previous year. After a first year of learning and gaining experience, the Briton achieved his first World Championship victory in 2015 with success at the Circuit of the Americas.

Four more podiums with the Speed Up structure allowed the Federal Oil Gresini team to secure his services for 2016. Lowes started as one of the favourites for the title and finished the year in fifth place with two victories and six podiums.

He remained in the Gresini set-up for 2017 when he made the jump into the premier class riding for Aprilia. In 2018, he returned to Moto2 to ride the KTM for the Swiss Innovative Investors squad and 2019 resulted in another team and machinery switch. He wore the

colours of the Federal Oil Gresini again and was back on a Kalex chassis.

Lowes produced the best form of his Moto2 career in his first season racing in the famous livery of Team Estrella Galicia 0,0 Marc VDS.

The Briton was one of the fastest and most consistent on the grid in 2020 and he took the title fight down to a thrilling final round decider, despite suffering a serious right hand injury in the penultimate round.

Lowes only lost the World Championship by nine-points at the end of a closely fought 15-round series in which he secured three victories, seven podiums and three pole positions to finish third in the World Championship.

In 2021 Sam was one of the fastest riders in all Moto2 grid achieving four podiums, three victories and 6 pole positions. He finished the season fourth in the World Championship with 190 points.

2022 was not an easy year for Sam as a shoulder injury kept him off the track at 8 Grands Prix. Even so, the Briton added a podium, a pole position and a fastest lap to his record.

/// FIRST GRAND PRIX
Qatar 2014 (Moto2)

/// FIRST GRAND PRIX PODIUM
2015 Austin

/// FIRST GRAND PRIX VICTORY
2015 Austin

/// VICTORIES
9

/// PODIUMS
24 (all in Moto2)

/// POLES POSITIONS
18

/// RACE FASTEST LAP
10



MotoGP WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP SUMMARY*

*Until 2021



/// TONY

ARBOLINO

NATIONALITY: Italian

PLACE OF BIRTH: Carbagnate Milanese

DATE OF BIRTH: 03 August 2000

HEIGHT: 171 cm

WEIGHT: 59 kg

HOBBIES: Running and skiing

BIOGRAPHY

Tony Arbolino's journey to the World Championship began at the age of four when he started riding minibikes in Italy.

He was just nine when he made his debut in the Pre-Moto3 125 2T Italian Championship. He quickly demonstrated his speed and talent and in 2014 he was crowned CIV Pre-Moto3 Champion in a team run by Paolo Simoncelli.

Arbolino then made the switch to the FIM CEV Repsol Moto3 Junior World Championship in 2015 with the Sic58 Squadra Corse project. And it was the Italian-based team that gave Arbolino his big break on the world stage when he entered the Moto3 World Championship in 2017.

He gained valuable experience in his rookie season before securing a move to the Marinelli Rivacold Snipers Team where he established himself as a consistent top 10 finisher and claimed two pole positions.

It was in 2019 though that Arbolino enjoyed his breakthrough season, and he took two victories in Mugello and Assen and finished fourth in the final standings with a total of five podiums.

Arbolino made a sensational start to the 2020 campaign with third place in the second round of the season in Jerez. Second place finishes followed in the Red Bull Ring, Catalunya and Aragon and he went into a dramatic final round in Portimao fighting for the title after a stunning win in the penultimate race in Valencia.

An incredible recovery from 27th on the grid to fifth in the season finale secured him second position in the World Championship classification.

Arbolino's Moto3 success earned him a deserved switch to Moto2 for 2021 and his maiden season in the intermediate World Championship category in 14th position with 51 points.

Tony Arbolino's first year on the team has been more than satisfying. Getting his first victory in the Moto2 category in Austin, he finished the season in fourth place and adding five podiums, three wins and two fastest laps to his record.



/// FIRST GRAND PRIX
Qatar 2017 (Moto 3)

/// FIRST GRAND PRIX PODIUM
Argentina 2019 (Moto3)

/// FIRST GRAND PRIX VICTORY
Italy 2019 (Moto 3)

/// VICTORIES
6

/// PODIUMS
17

/// POLES POSITIONS
6

/// RACE FASTEST LAP
3



MotoGP WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP SUMMARY*

*Until 2021





/// TECHNICAL
INFORMATION

/// Moto2 **KALEX**

ENGINE

/// TYPE
Triumph Triple 765cc liquid cooled, four-stroke. Special racing parts developed by Triumph.

/// MAXIMUM POWER
Over 145 HP (104KW).

/// MAXIMUM TORQUE
Over 85 N.m.

/// MAXIMUM SPEED
In excess of 300km/h.

TRANSMISSION

/// GEARBOX
Six speed gearbox.

/// CLUTCH
FCC slipper clutch Moto2 specification.

CHASSIS

/// FRAME
Aluminium twin spar, CNC machined, multi-adjustable steering geometry/ wheelbase/ride height.

/// SWINGING ARM
Aluminium swinging arm, CNC machined, adjustable. Alternative rear suspension links available.

ELECTRONIC

Magneti Marelli offer latest Moto GP technology system with full drive by wire throttle control plus DBW engine brake system. Also included full data logger system inside of ECU.

SUSPENSION

Öhlins upside down front forks and Öhlins rear shock, all adjustable for pre-load, compression and rebound damping.

EXHAUST

SC Project.

BODYWORK

Carbon Fiber supplied by Kalex.

BRAKES

/// FRONT BRAKES
Two 300 mm steel front discs with two Brembo four-piston calipers.

/// REAR BRAKES
Single 218 mm stainless steel rear disc, twin-piston caliper.

WHEELS & TYRES

/// WHEELS
OZ Racing 17" light weight rims front and rear.

/// TYRES
New Dunlop tyres dimension Front 125 / 75R17. Rear 200/75R17.

FUEL TANK

Aluminium.

WEIGHT

Over 140 kg.





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/// MEET THE
TEAM

TEAM OWNER

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| MARC VAN DER STRATEN | Team Owner & Team Manager |
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TEAM SUPPORT

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|--------------|---------------|
| MARINA ROSSI | Team Director |
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|----------------|-----------------------|
| PATRICK KRAMER | Technical Coordinator |
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| NAOYA KANEKO | Technical Director |
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| BERTA BRAU | PR, comms and media |
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| SARAH COLSON | Travel Coordinator |
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TONY ARBOLINO CREW

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| TONY ARBOLINO | Rider |
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|----------------|------------|
| LUCIO NICASTRO | Crew Chief |
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| MIGUEL ÁNGEL ARIAS | Data Recorder |
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|---------|----------|
| BEN DOE | Mechanic |
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| GUILLEM CARRILLO | Mechanic |
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SAM LOWES CREW

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| SAM LOWES | Rider |
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| GILLES BIGOT | Crew Chief |
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| ADRIÀ PÉREZ | Data Recorder |
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| STEVEN BRADLEY | Mechanic |
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| ANTHONY COUTURIER | Mechanic |
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TYRES AND FUEL

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| IGNACIO LORENZANA | Tyres and Fuel |
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HOSPITALITY CREW

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|---------------|-------------------------|
| BEATA BOSKOVA | Hospitality Coordinator |
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| CHIARA BARONE | Hospitality Crew |
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| DAVIDE BAGNOLI | Hospitality Crew |
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HOSPITALITY KITCHEN

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| MARIA ANGELES QUINONES | Hospitality Kitchen |
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| FRANCISCO IBANEZ | Hospitality Kitchen |
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| JOSE ERNESTO MANAS CARMONA | Hospitality Kitchen |
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/// OUR STORY

2010

MARC VDS
RACING TEAM IS
BORN

Moto 2

///RIDERS

Scott Redding & Hector Faubel.

///MILESTONE

1st Marc VDS podium (Redding 3rd place in Indianapolis).

2011

Moto 2

///RIDERS

Scott Redding & Mika Kallio.

///MILESTONE

1st podium Kallio with MVDS (2nd in Valencia).

2012

Moto 2

///RIDERS

Scott Redding & Mika Kallio.

2013

Moto 3

///RIDERS

Livio Loi.

Moto 2

///RIDERS

Scott Redding & Mika Kallio.

///MILESTONE

11 podiums and 4 victories.

2014

Moto 3

///RIDERS

Livio Loi & Jorge Navarro.

Moto 2

///RIDERS

Tito Rabat & Mika Kallio.

///MILESTONE

World Championship with Tito Rabat and Runner-up with Kallio.

2015

Moto 2

///RIDERS

Tito Rabat & Alex Márquez.

Moto GP

///RIDER

Scott Redding.

///MILESTONE

1st podium in MotoGP for TEAM with Redding (3rd in San Marino).

2016

Moto 2

///RIDERS

Franco Morbidelli & Alex Márquez.

Moto GP

///RIDERS

Tito Rabat & Jack Miller.

///MILESTONE

1st victory in MotoGP for the Team with Miller (Netherlands).

2022

Moto 2

///RIDERS

Sam Lowes and Tony Arbolino.

///MILESTONE

4th in the World Championship with Tony Arbolino.

7 podiums and 3 victories

2021

Moto 2

///RIDERS

Sam Lowes and Augusto Fernandez.

///MILESTONE

4th in the World Championship with Sam Lowes.

5th in the World Championship with Augusto Fernandez.

10 podiums and 3 victories

Team's 50th Pole Position

2020

Moto 2

///RIDERS

Sam Lowes and Augusto Fernandez.

///MILESTONE

3rd in the World Championship with Sam Lowes.

Moto E

///RIDER

Mike Di Meglio.

///MILESTONE

4th in the MotoE World Cup.

2019

Moto 2

///RIDERS

Alex Márquez & Xavi Vierge.

///MILESTONE

World Championship with Alex Márquez.

Moto E

///RIDER

Mike Di Meglio.

///MILESTONE

5th with the first victory of MotoE's Team.

2018

Moto 2

///RIDERS

Joan Mir & Alex Márquez.

///MILESTONE

Joan Mir Rookie of the Year.

Moto GP

///RIDERS

Franco Morbidelli & Thomas Luthi.

///MILESTONE

Franco Morbidelli Rookie of the Year.

2017

Moto 2

///RIDERS

Franco Morbidelli & Alex Márquez.

///MILESTONE

World Champions with Franco Morbidelli
1st victory of Alex Márquez in Moto2.

Moto GP

///RIDERS

Tito Rabat & Jack Miller.

/// OUR **PARTNERS**

MAIN PARTNERS



TECHNICAL PARTNERS



Want to contact us?

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We will respond to your query as soon as possible.