

ABU DHABI
Yas Marina Circuit // Oct. 30 - Nov. 1



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The story so far

The third season of the GP2 Asia Series opened last November at the Yas Marina circuit in Abu Dhabi as part of the country's first ever Formula One Grand Prix. The GP2 Asia Series had the honour of being the first racing cars to run at the new circuit for a pre-season test a week prior to the race weekend, and it was a chance for everyone to learn the long layout, test the lighting system and begin to put a little pressure on their rivals.

Although Luca Filippi and MalaysiaQi-Meritus.com set the pace on both days, it was iSport's Davide Valsecchi who ended up shining during the entire race weekend: quickest in free practice, the young Italian later signed pole position before winning in the feature race setting fastest lap and scoring a perfect thirteen points. In the sprint race, Valsecchi was once again relentless: starting eighth on the reverse grid, he put his head down and pushed his way through the field to finish second, adding another 6 points to his total. Behind him, the experienced Filippi

kept younger guns at bay in the feature race but had to yield the following day when rookies Christian Vietoris and Josef Kral, respectively at Dams and Super Nova, proved their worth and talent with the German sailing to victory on his first GP2 weekend and the Czech snatching his first podium.

This week, the GP2 Asia paddock returns to Abu Dhabi for the second round of the season with a new and exciting challenge: racing at twilight. On this occasion, five new drivers join the field. Some faces are well-known to the GP2 world with race winners Addax's Giedo van der Garde and Sergio Perez, and Coloni's Alberto Valerio along podium finisher Dani Clos at Trident Racing. The fifth newcomer will be a rookie as Jules Bianchi will take the wheel of the ART Grand Prix car.

With nineteen points scored so far, Valsecchi is leading the drivers' standings, 10 points ahead of Vietoris who leads both Filippi and Kral by one. The battle is on...

Round 1 Classifications

Abu Dhabi // Feature Race 33 laps - 183.167 km

Pole Position D. Valsecchi // iSport International, 1:51.964 (178.578 Kph)

1. D. Valsecchi	ITA	iSport International	33	1:07:49.810	162.022 Kph
2. L. Filippi	ITA	MalaysiaQi-Meritus.Com	33	+4.881	161.828 Kph
3. J. Jakes	GBR	Super Nova Racing	33	+6.174	161.777 Kph
4. A. Rossi	USA	Ocean Racing Technology	33	+7.182	161.737 Kph
5. J. Kral	CZE	Super Nova Racing	33	+8.220	161.695 Kph
6. C. Vietoris	GER	Dams	33	+13.300	161.494 Kph
7. J. Cecotto	VEN	Trident Racing	33	+15.460	161.409 Kph
8. O. Turvey	GBR	iSport International	33	+16.223	161.379 Kph

Fastest lap D. Valsecchi // iSport International, 1:53.341 (176.409 Kph)

Abu Dhabi // Sprint Race 22 laps - 122.073 km

1. C. Vietoris	GER	Dams	22	43:18.814	169.101 Kph
2. D. Valsecchi	ITA	iSport International	22	+2.447	168.942 Kph
3. J. Kral	CZE	Super Nova Racing	22	+3.195	168.893 Kph
4. O. Turvey	GBR	iSport International	22	+6.616	168.671 Kph
5. A. Rossi	USA	Ocean Racing Technology	22	+7.420	168.619 Kph
6. J. Cecotto	VEN	Trident Racing	22	+7.711	168.601 Kph

Fastest lap S. Bird // ART Grand Prix, 1:52.070 (178.409 Kph)

GP2 Asia Teams

Following the results of the 2008/2009 GP2 Asia Series Teams Championship classification, the 2009/2010 GP2 Asia Series grid will carry the following numbers:

DAMS	DAMS	Christian Vietoris Edoardo Piscopo	1 2
RAPAX	Rapax Team	Vladimir Arabadzhiev Daniel Zampieri	3 4
ADDAX TEAM	Barwa Addax Team	Giedo Van Der Garde Sergio Pérez	5 6
ART	ART Grand Prix	Jules Bianchi Sam Bird	7 8
ARDEN	Arden International	Charles Pic Javier Villa	11 12
SUPER NOVA RACING LIMITED	Super Nova Racing	Marcus Ericsson Josef Kral	14 15
iSport	iSport International	Oliver Turvey Davide Valsecchi	16 17
TRIDENT	Trident Racing	Dani Clos Plamen Kralev	18 19
MALAYSIA Qi-Meritus.com	MalaysiaQi-Meritus Mahara.Com	Luca Filippi Alexander Rossi	20 21
OCEAN	Ocean Racing Technology	Max Chilton Fabio Leimer	22 23
COLONI	Scuderia Coloni	Alberto Valerio William Bratt	24 25
dpr	DPR	Michael Herck Giacomo Ricci	26 27

Hi Resolution Images of cars and drivers available at
www.gp2series.com // Media section

The official website

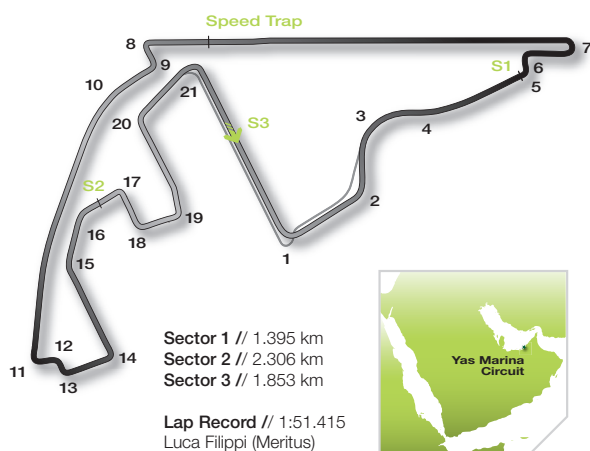


Live Timing available, streaming directly from the race track. This service goes live five minutes before each session.

www.gp2series.com

The Circuit

Yas Marina Circuit Track // Length 5.554 km
Race 1 33 laps - 183 km // Race 2 22 laps - 122 km



Timetable

// Thursday 4 February 2010

18:00 // 18:30 Free Practice Session
20:30 // 21:00 Qualifying Session

// Friday 5 February 2010

18:00 // 19:15 Race 1 // Feature race (33 laps)

// Saturday 6 February 2010

18:00 // 18:45 Race 2 // Sprint race (22 laps)

2009-10 Classifications

Drivers' Championship

	UAE 1		UAE 2		BRN 1		BRN 2	
	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
1. D. Valsecchi	1	13	6	-	-	-	-	19
2. C. Vietoris	1	3	6	-	-	-	-	9
3. L. Filippi	8	0	-	-	-	-	-	8
4. J. Kral	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	8
5. A. Rossi	5	2	-	-	-	-	-	7
6. J. Jakes	6	0	-	-	-	-	-	6
7. O. Turvey	1	3	-	-	-	-	-	4
8. J. Cecotto	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	3
9. E. Piscopo	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0
10. M. Herck	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0
11. R. Rodriguez	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0
12. M. Ericsson	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0
13. L. Razia	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	0
14. W. Bratt	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
15. D. Nunes	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	0
16. R. Gonzalez	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0
17. C. Pic	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	0
18. D. Zampieri	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
19. M. Chilton	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0
20. F. Leimer	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
21. S. Bird	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0

Teams' Championship

	UAE 1		UAE 2		BRN 1		BRN 2	
	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
1. iSport International	1	14	9	-	-	-	-	23
2. Super Nova Racing	10	4	-	-	-	-	-	14
3. Dams	1	3	6	-	-	-	-	9
4. MalaysiaQi-Meritus.com	8	0	-	-	-	-	-	8
5. Ocean Racing Tech.	5	2	-	-	-	-	-	7
6. Trident Racing	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	3
7. DPR	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0
8. Scuderia Coloni	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0
9. ART Grand Prix	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0
10. Barwa Addax Team	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0
11. Arden International	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0
12. Piquet GP	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	0

The Car

Monocoque and Bodywork

- Survival cell - Sandwich Carbon/aluminium honeycomb structure made by Dallara.
- Front and rear wing - Carbon structures made by Dallara.
- Bodywork - Carbon pre-impregnated with NOMEX honeycomb.

Engine

- 4 litre - V8 - 560 HP @ 8,500 rpm
- 8 in 1 exhaust.
- Fly by wire accelerator system.
- Rebuild after 5500 km.

Radiators and heat exchangers

- DALLARA

Fuel cell

- FIA standard Premier FT5 120 litres.

Gearbox

- 6-speed longitudinal sequential gearbox.
- Electro-hydraulic command via paddle shift on steering wheel.
- No on-board starter, anti-stall system.
- Non hydraulic ramp differential. Electronic features
- Magneti Marelli ECU / GCU including data logging system.
- Data acquisition pre-equipment: wiring loom, beacon receiver.

Steering system

- Non assisted rack and pinion steering system.
- Carbon steering wheel with dashboard, gear change and clutch paddle.

Differential

- HEWLAND

Steering Wheel

- EM Motorsport design

Suspension

- Front and rear double wishbone, pushrod operated, twin dampers and springs suspension.
- Adjustable ride height, camber and toe. Four way adjustable dampers. Adjustable front and rear roll bars.

Springs

- EIBACH 36mm ID Front, 57mm ID Rear

Dampers

- KONI 4 way adjustable, bump and rebound

Brakes

- Carbon brake discs, carbon pads. HITCO GP2 Series spec 6 piston calipers

Wheels and tyres

- GP2 Series specification slick tyres.
- F1 standard wheel dimensions.

Rims

- O.Z.Racing 13" x 12" front 13" x 13.7" rear

Extinguisher System

- LIFELINE (electrically operated)

Camera equipment

- Roll hoop camera pre-equipment.

Weight

- 680 kg (driver on-board)

Sporting Regulations

// Our weekend format

30 minute Free Practice session
30 minute Qualifying session

Race 1: 180km

1 compulsory pit stop
minimum of 2 tyres changed

Race 2: 120km

no compulsory pit stops

Race 1 grid will be decided by qualifying.

Race 2 grid will be the finishing order of Race 1, but with the top eight positions reversed.

Each driver will be limited to 4 sets of new dry tyres per race weekend.

// Safety Car

The pitlane remains open throughout safety car periods. When deployed, the SC will pick up the leader or the first car approaching even if it is not the leader. In that case, all the cars will overtake the SC when it will be considered safe to do so until the leader is behind the SC. Lapped cars will not be able to unlap themselves.

// Pit window

Race 1 mandatory pit stop may not be carried out until the driver has completed 6 laps. No pitstops are permitted in race 2 except in the event of a driver suffering from damage to either car or tyres.

// Tyres

Drivers are limited to four new sets of slick tyres at each event. Bridgestone determines the compound in advance. Each driver must keep one new set of tyres on which he must start race 2. These tyres may not be changed in the second race, except for an occasion when a tyre is damaged significantly to merit being changed in the name of safety.

// Fastest Lap

The point for fastest lap in both Race 1 and Race 2 will only be rewarded to a driver who classifies in the top 10 and who has started the race from the grid position.