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WMX



As the leading manufacturer in women's motocross Yamaha will be the envy of all other brands as the official supporter of three of the fastest ladies on the planet, Kiara Fontanesi, Nancy van de Ven and Courtney Duncan.

Each armed with a GYTR kit equipped YZ250F, any one of these three girls could win the 2017 FIM Women's Motocross World Championship.



YZ250F



Kiara Fontanesi

With a whopping four world titles to her name, Kiara Fontanesi is the most successful female motocross rider on the planet and is still a driving force in women's motocross. Having switched brands in 2016, where she finished fourth overall in the WMX world championship, Kiara has returned 'home' to Yamaha for the 2017 season in her own team, MX Fonta Racing, with the goal of claiming her fifth world title.

PERSONAL PROFILE

Date of birth: 10-03-1994
Place of birth: Parma, Italy
Nationality: Italian
Marital state: In a relationship
Hobbies: Snowboard, surfing, wakeboarding, climbing

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

2016: 4th FIM WMX World Championship
2015: 1st FIM WMX World Championship
2014: 1st FIM WMX World Championship
2013: 1st FIM WMX World Championship
2012: 1st FIM WMX World Championship, 1st last round of AMA Women's series
2011: 2nd FIM WMX World Championship
2010: 4th FIM WMX World Championship
2009: 9th FIM WMX World Championship
2008: 1st Italian Women's Championship



Nancy van de Ven

Nancy van de Ven was born to race motorcycles, pure and simple. From a very young age, this young lady from The Netherlands has demonstrated an incredible ability on a dirt-bike which was proven when she finished inside the top five overall of the FIM Women's Motocross World Championship in her rookie season, 2013. Two seasons on, in 2015, Nancy won her first Grand Prix and was the eventual bronze medalist.

In 2016, Nancy was closer than ever to claiming her first world title with four race wins and two Grand Prix wins making her the vice world champion. In 2017 she can only go one better.

PERSONAL PROFILE

Date of birth: 13-11-1997
Place of birth: Vlissingen, The Netherlands
Nationality: Dutch
Marital state: In a relationship
Hobbies: Shopping, fitness & motocross

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

2016: 2nd FIM WMX World Championship
2015: 3rd FIM WMX World Championship
2013: 5th FIM WMX World Championship



Courtney Duncan

All the way from New Zealand Courtney Duncan is one of the hottest prospects in women's racing right now. The twenty-one-year old took the world by storm on her WMX World Championship debut last year where she won the opening round with a double moto victory. After winning three from the first four races of the season, an unfortunate incident involving someone who was standing too close to the track sidelined her for three rounds. The Kiwi phenomenon who races for the Josh Coppins run Altherm Yamaha Official WMX Team returned after two-months of healing to win the final two Grands Prix of the season.

PERSONAL PROFILE

Date of birth: 26-01-1996
 Place of birth: Dunedin, New Zealand
 Nationality: New Zealander
 Marital state: Single
 Hobbies: Mountain biking, hanging out at the beach

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

2016: 1st New Zealand Grand Prix MX2, 6th FIM WMX World Championship 6th
 2013: 1st Women's Motocross WMX Hangtown
 2011: 1st New Zealand Junior Motocross Championship 85cc
 2009: 6th FIM Junior Motocross World Championship 85cc