

## JAPANESE 500cc CHAMPIONSHIP

| Year | Posn      | Rider                                   | Nationality  | Bike          | Points | Wins |
|------|-----------|---|--------------|---------------|--------|------|
| 1981 | <b>1.</b> | <b>Keiji Kinoshita (1<sup>st</sup>)</b> | <b>Japan</b> | <b>Yamaha</b> |        |      |
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| 1982 | <b>1.</b> | <b>Masaru Mizutani</b> | <b>Japan</b> | <b>Suzuki</b> |  |  |
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| 1983 | <b>1.</b> | <b>Tadahiko Taira (1<sup>st</sup>)</b> | <b>Japan</b> | <b>Yamaha</b> | <b>86</b> | <b>2</b> |
|      | 2.        | Keiji Kinoshita                        | Japan        | Yamaha        | 75        | 5        |
|      | 3.        | Takeo Abe                              | Japan        | Honda         | 70        |          |
|      | 4.        | Takumi Ito                             | Japan        | Suzuki        | 60        |          |
|      | 5.        | Susumi Shimada                         | Japan        | Suzuki        | 52        |          |
|      | 6.        | Shinichi Ueno                          | Japan        | Yamaha        | 51        |          |
|      | 7.        | Masaru Mizutani                        | Japan        | Suzuki        | 31        |          |
|      | 8.        | Ikuo Kusama                            | Japan        | Suzuki        | 28        |          |
|      | 9.        | Osamu Suzuki                           | Japan        | Yamaha        | 19        |          |
|      | 10.       | Yasuaki Fujimoto                       | Japan        | Yamaha        | 18        |          |
|      | 11.       | Yukiya Ueda                            | Japan        | Honda         | 18        |          |
|      | 12.       | Kengo Kiyama                           | Japan        | Honda         | 16        |          |
|      | 13.       | Toshimitsu Soh                         | Japan        | Honda         | 16        |          |
|      | 14.       | Hidehiko Fukushima                     | Japan        | Suzuki        | 14        |          |
|      | 15.       | Hiroyuki Kawasaki                      | Japan        | Yamaha        | 13        |          |
|      | 16.       | Yoshihisa Hasegawa                     | Japan        | Honda         | 13        |          |
|      | 17.       | Hideo Hotate                           | Japan        | Suzuki        | 10        |          |
|      | 18.       | Masaru Iwasaki                         | Japan        | Suzuki        | 4         |          |
|      | 19.       | Haruo Takemura                         | Japan        | Honda         | 3         |          |
|      | 20.       | Mamoru Yamakawa                        | Japan        | Yamaha        | 2         |          |

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| 1984 | <b>1.</b> | <b>Tadahiko Taira (2<sup>nd</sup>)</b> | <b>Japan</b> | <b>Yamaha</b> | <b>175</b> | <b>6</b> |
|      | 2.        | Keiji Kinoshita                        | Japan        | Honda         | 174        | 4        |
|      | 3.        | Hiroyuki Kawasaki                      | Japan        | Yamaha        | 152        | 1        |
|      | 4.        | Masaru Mizutani                        | Japan        | Suzuki        | 104        |          |
|      | 5.        | Osamu Suzuki                           | Japan        | Yamaha        | 77         |          |
|      | 6.        | Yoshihisa Hasegawa                     | Japan        | Honda         | 72         |          |
|      | 7.        | Hidehiko Fukushima                     | Japan        | Suzuki        | 69         |          |
|      | 8.        | Takeo Abe                              | Japan        | Honda         | 63         |          |
|      | 9.        | Shinichi Ueno                          | Japan        | Yamaha        | 61         |          |
|      | 10.       | Takumi Ito                             | Japan        | Suzuki        | 47         |          |
|      | 11.       | Hideo Hotate                           | Japan        | Suzuki        | 33         |          |
|      | 12.       | Susumi Shimada                         | Japan        | Honda         | 31         |          |
|      | 13.       | Hisashi Yamana                         | Japan        | Suzuki        | 29         |          |
|      | 14.       | Noriaki Matsumoto                      | Japan        | Suzuki        | 18         |          |
|      | 15.       | Hitoshi Saitoh                         | Japan        | Suzuki        | 17         |          |
|      | 16.       | Sadao Asami                            | Japan        | Yamaha        | 11         |          |
|      | 17.       | Shigeharu Ohtsuka                      | Japan        | Yamaha        | 10         |          |

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|  | 18. | Kousei Takemura | Japan | Suzuki | 19 |  |
|  | 19. | Yukiya Ueda     | Japan | Honda  | 8  |  |
|  | 20. | -               |       |        |    |  |

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| 1985 | <b>1.</b> | <b>Tadahiko Taira (3<sup>rd</sup>)</b> | <b>Japan</b> | <b>Yamaha</b> | <b>154</b> | <b>8</b> |
|      | 2.        | Masaru Mizutani                        | Japan        | Suzuki        | 131        | 1        |
|      | 3.        | Keiji Kinoshita                        | Japan        | Honda         | 121        |          |
|      | 4.        | Yoshihisa Hasegawa                     | Japan        | Yamaha        | 88         |          |
|      | 5.        | Hiroyuki Kawasaki                      | Japan        | Yamaha        | 59         |          |
|      | 6.        | Takumi Ito                             | Japan        | Suzuki        | 56         |          |
|      | 7.        | Takeo Abe                              | Japan        | Honda         | 54         |          |
|      | 8.        | Yoshiyuke Fuji                         | Japan        | Yamaha        | 17         |          |
|      | 9.        | Noriaki Matsumoto                      | Japan        | Suzuki        | 13         |          |
|      | 10.       | Hideo Hotate                           | Japan        | Suzuki        | 11         |          |
|      | 11.       | Hidehiko Fukushima                     | Japan        | Suzuki        | 10         |          |
|      | 12.       | Hitoshi Saitoh                         | Japan        | Suzuki        | 10         |          |
|      | 13.       | -                                      |              |               |            |          |

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| 1986 | <b>1.</b> | <b>Keiji Kinoshita (2<sup>nd</sup>)</b> | <b>Japan</b> | <b>Honda</b> | <b>138</b> | <b>3</b> |
|      | 2.        | Shunji Yatsuhiro                        | Japan        | Honda        | 98         | 1        |
|      | 3.        | Masaru Mizutani                         | Japan        | Suzuki       | 89         | 2        |
|      | 4.        | Takumi Ito                              | Japan        | Suzuki       | 88         |          |
|      | 5.        | Hiroyuki Kawasaki                       | Japan        | Yamaha       | 83         |          |
|      | 6.        | Norihiko Fujiwara                       | Japan        | Yamaha       | 48         |          |
|      | 7.        | Tadahiko Taira                          | Japan        | Yamaha       | 43         | 2        |
|      | 8.        | Norio Iobe                              | Japan        | Honda        | 41         |          |
|      | 9.        | Osamu Hiwatashi                         | Japan        | Honda        | 15         |          |
|      | 10.       | Noriaki Matsumoto                       | Japan        | Suzuki       | 11         |          |
|      | 11.       | Hitoshi Saitoh                          | Japan        | Suzuki       | 10         |          |
|      | 12.       | Hidehiko Fukushima                      | Japan        | Suzuki       | 9          |          |
|      | 13.       | Kousei Takemura                         | Japan        | Honda        | 8          |          |
|      | -         | Masatake Kikuchi                        | Japan        | Honda        | 8          |          |
|      | 15.       | Hiroshi Okamoto                         | Japan        | Honda        | 7          |          |
|      | 16.       | -                                       |              |              |            |          |

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| 1987 | <b>1.</b> | <b>Norihiko Fujiwara (1<sup>st</sup>)</b> | <b>Japan</b> | <b>Yamaha</b> | <b>173</b> | <b>4</b> |
|      | 2.        | Keiji Kinoshita                           | Japan        | Honda         | 125        | 2        |
|      | 3.        | Shinji Katayama                           | Japan        | Yamaha        | 124        | 1        |
|      | 4.        | Osamu Hiwatashi                           | Japan        | Honda         | 102        | 1        |
|      | 5.        | Masaru Mizutani                           | Japan        | Suzuki        | 85         | 2        |
|      | 6.        | Hiroyuki Kawasaki                         | Japan        | Yamaha        | 82         |          |
|      | 7.        | Norio Iobe                                | Japan        | Honda         | 45         |          |
|      | 8.        | Susumi Shimada                            | Japan        | Suzuki        | 35         |          |
|      | 9.        | Takumi Ito                                | Japan        | Suzuki        | 34         |          |
|      | 10.       | Shunji Yatsuhiro                          | Japan        | Honda         | 33         |          |
|      | 11.       | Hisashi Yamana                            | Japan        | Suzuki        | 10         |          |
|      | 12.       | Kazuo Sakamoto                            | Japan        | Yamaha        | 8          |          |
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| 1988 | <b>1.</b> | <b>Norihiko Fujiwara (2<sup>nd</sup>)</b> | <b>Japan</b> | <b>Yamaha</b> | <b>159</b> | <b>4</b> |
|      | 2.        | Shinichi Ito                              | Japan        | Honda         | 119        | 2        |
|      | 3.        | Hikaru Miyagi                             | Japan        | Suzuki        | 94         |          |
|      | 4.        | Masaru Mizutani                           | Japan        | Suzuki        | 94         |          |
|      | 5.        | Tadahiko Taira                            | Japan        | Yamaha        | 89         | 3        |
|      | 6.        | Osamu Hiwatashi                           | Japan        | Suzuki        | 87         | 1        |
|      | 7.        | Shinji Katayama                           | Japan        | Yamaha        | 80         |          |
|      | 8.        | Norio Iobe                                | Japan        | Honda         | 44         | 1        |
|      | 9.        | Keiji Kinoshita                           | Japan        | Honda         | 39         |          |
|      | 10.       | Katsunori Shinozaki                       | Japan        | Suzuki        | 15         |          |
|      | 11.       | Shunji Yatsuhiro                          | Japan        | Honda         | 13         |          |
|      | -         | Satoshi Tsujimoto                         | Japan        | Suzuki        | 13         |          |
|      | 13.       | Hiroyuki Kawasaki                         | Japan        | Yamaha        | 11         |          |
|      | 14.       | -   |              |               |            |          |

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| 1989 | <b>1.</b> | <b>Norihiko Fujiwara (3<sup>rd</sup>)</b> | <b>Japan</b> | <b>Yamaha</b> | <b>95</b> |  |
|      | 2.        | Shunji Yatsuhiro                          | Japan        | Honda         | 87        |  |
|      | 3.        | Kunio Machii                              | Japan        | Yamaha        | 76        |  |
|      | 4.        | Hikaru Miyagi                             | Japan        | Honda         | 72        |  |
|      | 5.        | Osamu Hiwatashi                           | Japan        | Suzuki        | 70        |  |
|      | 6.        | Shinichi Ito                              | Japan        | Honda         | 50        |  |
|      | 7.        | Satoshi Tsujimoto                         | Japan        | Suzuki        | 46        |  |
|      | 8.        | Shinji Katayama                           | Japan        | Yamaha        | 42        |  |
|      | 9.        | Tadahiko Taira                            | Japan        | Yamaha        | 35        |  |
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| 1990 | <b>1.</b> | <b>Shinichi Ito</b> | <b>Japan</b> | <b>Honda</b> | <b>157</b> |  |
|      | 2.        | Norihiko Fujiwara   | Japan        | Yamaha       | 153        |  |
|      | 3.        | Hikaru Miyagi       | Japan        | Honda        | 132        |  |
|      | 4.        | Kunio Machii        | Japan        | Yamaha       | 118        |  |
|      | 5.        | Osamu Hiwatashi     | Japan        | Suzuki       | 114        |  |
|      | 6.        | Keiji Oishi         | Japan        | Yamaha       | 93         |  |
|      | 7.        | Satoshi Tsujimoto   | Japan        | Suzuki       | 81         |  |
|      | 8.        | Shinji Katayama     | Japan        | Yamaha       | 77         |  |
|      | 9.        | Noriaki Matsumoto   | Japan        | Honda        | 44         |  |
|      | 10.       | Tadahiko Taira      | Japan        | Yamaha       | 27         |  |
|      | 11.       | Shunji Taysuhiro    | Japan        | Honda        | 8          |  |
|      | 12.       | Shinichiro Imai     | Japan        |              | 8          |  |
|      | 13.       | Hisayuki Takeda     | Japan        |              | 8          |  |
|      | 14.       | -                   |              |              |            |  |

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| 1991 | <b>1.</b> | <b>Peter Goddard</b> | <b>Australia</b> | <b>Yamaha</b> | <b>155</b> |  |
|      | 2.        | Norihiko Fujiwara    | Japan            | Yamaha        | 149        |  |
|      | 3.        | Shinichi Ito         | Japan            | Honda         | 148        |  |
|      | 4.        | Kenichiro Iwahashi   | Japan            | Honda         | 147        |  |
|      | 5.        | Keiji Oishi          | Japan            | Yamaha        | 95         |  |
|      | 6.        | Toshihiko Homma      | Japan            | Yamaha        | 92         |  |
|      | 7.        | Kunio Machii         | Japan            | Yamaha        | 90         |  |
|      | 8.        | Shinji Katayama      | Japan            | Yamaha        | 87         |  |
|      | 9.        | Satoshi Tsujimoto    | Japan            | Suzuki        | 87         |  |

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|  | 10. | Osamu Hiwatashi | Japan     | Suzuki | 87 |  |
|  | 11. | Daryl Beattie   | Australia | Honda  | 69 |  |
|  | 12. | Tadahiko Taira  | Japan     | Yamaha | 63 |  |
|  | 13. | Hikaru Miyagi   | Japan     | Honda  | 53 |  |
|  | 14. | Tatsuro Arata   | Japan     | Yamaha | 49 |  |
|  | 15. | Shinya Takeishi | Japan     | Honda  | 13 |  |
|  | 16. | -               |           |        |    |  |

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| 1992 | <b>1.</b> | <b>Daryl Beattie</b> | <b>Australia</b> | <b>Honda</b> | <b>147</b> |  |
|      | 2.        | Kevin Magee          | Australia        | Yamaha       | 145        |  |
|      | 3.        | Norihiko Fujiwara    | Japan            | Yamaha       | 137        |  |
|      | 4.        | Toshihiko Homma      | Japan            | Yamaha       | 114        |  |
|      | 5.        | Satoshi Tsujimoto    | Japan            | Honda        | 96         |  |
|      | 6.        | Kenichiro Iwashima   | Japan            | Honda        | 89         |  |
|      | 7.        | Shinichi Ito         | Japan            | Honda        | 83         |  |
|      | 8.        | Tatsuro Arata        | Japan            | Yamaha       | 82         |  |
|      | 9.        | Ryuji Tsuruta        | Japan            | Honda        | 67         |  |
|      | 10.       | Katsuyoshi Takahashi | Japan            | Yamaha       | 46         |  |
|      | 11.       | Shinji Katayama      | Japan            | Yamaha       | 46         |  |
|      | 12.       | Keiji Oishi          | Japan            | Suzuki       | 23         |  |
|      | 13.       | Isami Higashima      | Japan            | Yamaha       | 20         |  |
|      | 14.       | -                    |                  |              |            |  |

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| 1993 | <b>1.</b> | <b>Norifuni 'Norick' Abe</b> | <b>Japan</b> | <b>Honda</b> | <b>123</b> |  |
|      | 2.        | Toshihiko Homma              | Japan        | Yamaha       | 111        |  |
|      | 3.        | Norihiko Fujiwara            | Japan        | Yamaha       | 104        |  |
|      | 4.        | Kenichiro Iwashima           | Japan        | Honda        | 100        |  |
|      | 5.        | Tatsuro Arata                | Japan        | Yamaha       | 88         |  |
|      | 6.        | Peter Goddard                | Australia    | Suzuki       | 87         |  |
|      | 7.        | Katsuyoshi Takahashi         | Japan        | Yamaha       | 49         |  |
|      | 8.        | Satoshi Tsujimoto            | Japan        | Honda        | 44         |  |
|      | 9.        | Shinichi Ito                 | Japan        | Honda        | 37         |  |
|      | 10.       | Ryuji Tsuruta                | Japan        | Honda        | 37         |  |
|      | 11.       | Shinji Katayama              | Japan        | Yamaha       | 27         |  |
|      | 12.       | Kevin Magee                  | Australia    | Yamaha       | 25         |  |
|      | 13.       | Nobuatsu Aoki                | Japan        | Honda        | 23         |  |
|      | 14.       | Kensuke Haga                 | Japan        | Yamaha       | 9          |  |
|      | 15.       | -                            |              |              |            |  |

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