

Honda 2023 Motorsports Program Overview

December 12, 2022 - Honda Motor Co., Ltd. today held a press conference about its motorsports activities and teams for the 2023 season. Following is the summary of a speech by Shinji Aoyama, Director and Senior Managing Executive Officer of Honda, and the 2023 motorsports program overview.

■ Summary of speech by Shinji Aoyama,

Director and Senior Managing Executive Officer of Honda Motor Co., Ltd.

In 1959, Honda competed in the Isle of Man TT Race for the first time, in our company founder Mr. Soichiro Honda's quest to become the world's number one in technology. Since then, Honda has been competing in various motorcycle and automobile races around the world. Many generations of Honda engineers and motorsports team members who came before us faced difficulties over and over again while competing on the world stage, but they overcame such difficulties and accumulated victories by taking on challenges without giving up. In motorsports, this attitude is indispensable for refining our people and technologies, and it is at the root of Honda motorsports activities. We will continue to further strengthen this 'challenging spirit' and keep evolving our motorsports activities together with our fellow riders, drivers and everyone who takes on challenges with us.

In the meantime, Honda has another critical mission to pursue in the area of motorsports. It is the realization of carbon neutrality. Honda has already been conducting research and development of technologies for carbon neutrality while proactively leveraging the field of motorsports. From now onward, we will further enhance our initiatives to put such technologies into practical use in our racing activities. Moreover, starting with motorcycles, we will explore possibilities of introducing electrified vehicles in actual races where we compete.

Moreover, this year, with the aim of becoming an even stronger racing brand, we established a new structure where Honda Racing Corporation (HRC) assumes responsibility for automobile racing activities in addition to its existing functions for motorcycle racing activities. As a result of this change, we started seeing some positive effects of mutual collaboration of the technologies and know-how Honda has amassed in the respective areas of motorcycle and automobile racing. For example, in the area of automobiles, we are currently exploring the possibility of supplying base vehicles suitable for "participatory" motorsports that more people can enjoy more casually. For the development and supplying of such vehicles, we can share the know-how of Honda motorcycle racing divisions which are already engaged in similar activities. This is just one example, but by leveraging synergistic effects between motorcycle and automobile racing experience to the maximum extent, we will achieve outstanding performance in racing, and at the same time, we will strengthen our initiatives to offer more "participatory" motorsports opportunities which will enable more customers to enjoy Honda technologies and motorsports, and we will strive to popularize motorsports among a broader range of people.

In order to fulfill the expectations of motorsports fans and Honda fans and customers all around the world and deliver more dream-inspiring and exciting experiences for people, we will continue putting our energy and effort in motorsports activities and keep taking on challenges.

【Motorcycle activities】

The 2022 **FIM^{*1} Grand Prix World Championship (MotoGP)** season ended in disappointment for Honda with no wins. However, Marc Marquez, who had been out of racing due to his fourth surgery, returned to race in the second half of the season and achieved a podium finish. Moreover, in the **FIM Motocross World Championship (MXGP)** and the **FIM Trial World Championship (TrialGP)**, Tim Gajser and Toni Bou won championships, respectively. Therefore, reclaiming the championship title in MotoGP is one of the top-priority challenges for Honda.

From the second half of the 2022 season, Honda began incorporating knowledge from its automobile racing divisions in the area of aerodynamics and began to see synergistic effects between motorcycle and automobile racing experience including an improvement in aerodynamic performance. In the future, Honda will further strengthen its competitiveness by leveraging its knowledge in automobile racing in the area of combustion technology through co-creation between motorcycle and automobile racing divisions. Moreover, in the 2023 season, **Joan Mir**, the 2020 MotoGP champion, will join the Repsol Honda Team, and **Álex Rins** will join LCR Honda. By further strengthening its teams as well, Honda will strive to recapture the triple crown, the MotoGP rider, constructor and team titles.

In the area of fostering young riders, **Honda Team Asia**, which competes in the Moto2 and Moto3 classes of MotoGP, reached the 10-year milestone in the 2022 season, during which Ai Ogura demonstrated outstanding performance and battled for the championship until the last race of the season. In the 2023 season, Honda will continue the activities of Honda Team Asia and also continue to utilize **IDEMITSU Asia Talent Cup (IATC)** as a program designed to foster young riders. Through these initiatives, Honda will strive to discover and foster more riders who can compete in world-class races.

【Automobile activities】

In the **FIA^{*2} Formula One World Championship (F1TM)**, based on a request from Red Bull Group, HRC supported Red Bull Powertrains (RBPT) which supplies the power unit (PU) that employs Honda's PU technologies to Scuderia AlphaTauri and Oracle Red Bull Racing, two Red Bull Group teams, and contributed to winning the drivers' and constructors' double title by Oracle Red Bull Racing. Honda will continue its support for RBPT in the 2023 season.

Moreover, Honda will support participation of young Japanese drivers who are striving to compete in the pinnacle of world automobile racing in the **FIA Formula2 Championship (F2)** and other races, following in the footsteps of Yuki Tsunoda who will be competing in F1 with Scuderia AlphaTauri for the third consecutive year.

In Japan, Honda will strive to recapture the championship title in the **GT500** class of the **SUPER GT Series** for the first time in three years by making changes to the team structure. Moreover, in the **Japanese SUPER FORMULA Championship**, where the second consecutive win was achieved in the 2022 season, Honda will welcome some new drivers, including one who received a scholarship from the U.S.-based Honda Performance Development (HPD), and strive for the third consecutive win in the 2023 season.

In North America, through HPD, Honda will supply engines to 15 cars with 6 teams competing in the **IndyCar[®] Series**. In the **IMSA^{*3} WeatherTech SportsCar Championship**, two teams will compete with the ARX-06, an Acura brand machine supplied by HPD.

*1 FIM: Fédération Internationale de Motocyclisme

*2 FIA: Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile

*3 IMSA: International Motor Sports Association

■ Overview of Honda Teams for the 2023 Season

As of December 12, 2022

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<<World Championship>>

◆FIM Grand Prix World Championship (MotoGP)

Team	Machine	No.	Rider	Age	Nationality	2022 result
Repsol Honda Team ☆*4	RC213V ☆*4	36	Joan Mir ☆*4	25	Spain	MotoGP 15th
		93	Marc Márquez ☆	29	Spain	MotoGP 13th
LCR Honda IDEMITSU		30	Takaaki Nakagami ☆	30	Japan	MotoGP 18th
LCR Honda CASTROL		42	Álex Rins ☆	27	Spain	MotoGP 7th

*4 ☆ on a team name indicates a factory team of Honda, ☆ on a machine name indicates a factory machine of Honda, ☆ on a rider's name indicates an HRC contract rider

◆FIM Superbike World Championship (WSBK) March 3, 2023 update

Team	Machine	No.	Rider	Age	Nationality	2022 result
Team HRC ☆	CBR1000RR-R FIREBLADE SP ☆	7	Iker Lecuona ☆	22	Spain	WSBK 9th
		97	Xavi Vierge ☆	25	Spain	WSBK 10th
PETRONAS MIE Racing Honda Team	CBR1000RR-R FIREBLADE SP	35	Hafizh Syahrin	28	Malaysia	WSBK 23rd
		51	Eric Granado	26	Brazil	MotoE 2nd

<WSSP>

Team	Machine	No.	Rider	Age	Nationality	2022 result
PETRONAS MIE MS Racing Honda Team	CBR600RR	95	Tarran Mackenzie	27	U.K.	BSB 7th
		7	Adam Norrodin	24	Malaysia	ARRC ASB1000 8th

◆ **FIM Endurance World Championship (EWC)**

Team	Machine	No.	Rider	Age	Nationality	2022 result
F.C.C. TSR Honda France	CBR1000RR-R FIREBLADE SP	1	Josh Hook	29	Australia	EWC Champion
			Mike Di Meglio	34	France	
			Alan Techer	28	France	FSBK 3rd

◆ **FIM Motocross World Championship (MXGP)**

<MXGP class>

Team	Machine	No.	Rider	Age	Nationality	2022 result
Team HRC ☆	CRF450R ☆	70	Ruben Fernandez ☆	23	Spain	MXGP 8th
		243	Tim Gajser ☆	26	Slovenia	MXGP Champion

◆ **FIM Trial World Championship (TrialGP)**

Team	Machine	No.	Rider	Age	Nationality	2022 result
Repsol Honda Team ☆	Montesa COTA 4RT ☆	1	Toni Bou ☆	36	Spain	TrialGP Champion
		38	Gabriel Marcelli ☆	22	Spain	TrialGP 5th

◆ **FIM World Rally-Raid Championship (2023 Dakar Rally)**

Team	Machine	No.	Rider	Age	Nationality	2022 result
Monster Energy Honda Team ☆	CRF450 RALLY ☆	2	Ricky Brabec ☆	31	U.S.A.	Dakar Rally Overall 7th
		7	Pablo Quintanilla ☆	36	Chile	Dakar Rally Overall 2nd
		11	José Ignacio Comejo ☆	28	Chile	Dakar Rally Overall 6th
		42	Adrien Van Beveren ☆	31	France	Dakar Rally Overall 4th

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◆MFJ*5 All-Japan Road Race Championship (JRR)

<JSB1000 class>

Team	Machine	No.	Rider	Age	Nationality	2022 result
Astemo Honda Dream SI Racing	CBR1000RR-R FIREBLADE	4	Kosuke Sakumoto	26	Japan	JSB1000 4th
		36	Ryo Mizuno	24	Japan	BSB 23rd
Team ATJ		7	Satoru Iwata	36	Japan	JSB1000 7th
TOHO Racing		10	Ryuichi Kiyonari	40	Japan	JSB1000 10th
MurayamaUnso.Honda Dream.K.W		12	Kosuke Akiyoshi	48	Japan	JSB1000 12th
SDG Honda Racing		15	Teppey Nagoe	25	Japan	JSB1000 15th
Honda Dream RT Sakurai Honda		38	Kazuki Ito	22	Japan	ST1000 19th

*5 MFJ: Motorcycle Federation of Japan

<ST1000 class>

Team	Machine	No.	Rider	Age	Nationality	2022 result
Astemo Honda Dream SI Racing	CBR1000RR-R FIREBLADE	1	Kazuma Watanabe	32	Japan	ST1000 Champion
TOHO Racing		2	Takuma Kunimine	24	Japan	ST1000 2nd
Japan Post Honda Dream TP		3	Yuki Takahashi	38	Japan	ST1000 3rd
		36	Takumi Takahashi ☆	33	Japan	BSB 20th
MOTO BUM HONDA		21	Yasuhiro Matsukawa	47	Japan	ST1000 21st
		27	Kota Arakawa	20	Japan	ST600 Champion
SDG Motor Sports RT HARC-PRO.		32	Ikuhiro Enokido	24	Japan	JSB1000 8th
		33	Yuki Kunii	20	Japan	ST600 8th

<ST600 class>

Team	Machine	No.	Rider	Age	Nationality	2022 result
Japan Post Honda Dream TP	CBR600RR	2	Tomoyoshi Koyama	39	Japan	ST600 2nd
TN45 with MotoUP Racing Team		5	Taiga Hada	24	Japan	ST600 5th
		29	Tetsuya Fujita	19	Japan	ST600 —
MOTO BUM HONDA		6	Koki Suzuki	22	Japan	ST600 6th
		10	Motoharu Ito	23	Japan	ST600 10th
		27	Kai Aota	17	Japan	Tsukuba ST600 Champion
		32	Kenichi Sakurai	51	Japan	ST600 —
Astemo Honda Dream SI Racing		31	Burapa Wanmoon	14	Thailand	Thai Talent Cup 7th

◆MFJ All-Japan Motocross Championship (JMX)

<IA1 class>

Team	Machine	No.	Rider	Age	Nationality	2022 result
Honda Dream Racing Bells	CRF450R	4	Kainosuke Oshiro	23	Japan	IA1 4th
		6	Yuki Okura	24	Japan	IA1 6th
TEAM HAMMER Honda Technical College		5	Makoto Ogata	37	Japan	IA1 5th
		19	Yuta Ikegaya	33	Japan	IA1 19th
T.E.SPORT		7	Gota Otsuka	26	Japan	IA1 7th
		17	Kazunori Ono	23	Japan	IA1 17th
Bells Racing		10	Yohei Kojima	37	Japan	IA1 10th
TEAM KOHSAKA with CARVEK & BIKER'S STATION KANAZAWA		12	Ukyo Michiwaki	29	Japan	IA1 12th
TEAM KOHSAKA		24	Hakuryu Michiwaki	25	Japan	IA1 24th

<IA2 class>

Team	Machine	No.	Rider	Age	Nationality	2022 result
Bells Racing	CRF250R	3	Taiga Yanase	18	Japan	IA2 3rd
TKM motor sports Iwate		5	Takumu Yokosawa	25	Japan	IA2 5th
		07	Riki Sato	19	Japan	IB-OPEN 7th
TEAM HAMMER Honda Technical College		7	Eiki Suzumura	23	Japan	IA2 7th
		TBA	Ryusei Suzuki	19	Japan	IA1 21st
		TBA	Kazuki Fujii	18	Japan	IA2 —
		39	Oshi Takahashi	19	Japan	Chugoku IB Champion
T.E.SPORT		28	Takato Otsuka	19	Japan	IA2 28th
		34	Takuya Yamazaki	16	Japan	IA2 —
		36	Mizuki Negishi	24	Japan	IA2 —
	04	Hazuki Chiba	19	Japan	IB-OPEN 4th	

<Ladies class (LMX) >

Team	Machine	No.	Rider	Age	Nationality	2022 result
T.E.SPORT	CRF150R II	2	Manaka Kawai	20	Japan	LMX 2nd
		10	Kotono Yamazaki	15	Japan	LMX 10th
		17	Ibuki Hamanura	16	Japan	LMX 17th
Team Yamamoto		5	Natsuki Kusumoto	19	Japan	LMX 5th
TEAM HAMMER		8	Yuzuki Seo	15	Japan	LMX 8th
Team ITOMO		9	Myu Minoura	17	Japan	LMX 9th

◆MFJ All-Japan Trial Championship (JTR)

<IA Super class (IAS)>

Team	Machine	No.	Rider	Age	Nationality	2022 result
TEAM MITANI Honda	RTL301RR	1	Tomoyuki Ogawa	46	Japan	IAS Champion
		3	Seiya Ujikawa	20	Japan	IAS 3rd

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◆FIM Asia Road Racing Championship (ARRC)

<ASB1000>

Team	Machine	No.	Rider	Age	Nationality	2022 result
Honda Asia-Dream Racing with SHOWA	CBR1000RR-R FIREBLADE	1	Zaqhwan Zaidi	27	Malaysia	ARRC ASB1000 Champion
		23	Andi Farid Izdihar	25	Indonesia	ARRC SS600 Champion
Astemo SI Racing with Thai Honda		95	Passawit Thitivararak	26	Thailand	ARRC ASB1000 9th
SDG Motorsports HARC-PRO Honda PH		73	Haruki Noguchi	21	Japan	ARRC ASB1000 2nd

<<North America>>

◆AMA Supercross Championship

<450SX>

Team	Machine	No.	Rider	Age	Nationality	2022 result
Team Honda HRC	CRF450R	23	Chase Sexton	23	U.S.A.	450SX 6th
		45	Colt Nichols	28	U.S.A.	—

<250SX>

Team	Machine	No.	Rider	Age	Nationality	2022 result
Team Honda HRC	CRF250R	18	Jett Lawrence	19	Australia	250SX East Champion
		96	Hunter Lawrence	23	Australia	250SX West 2nd
		832	Chance Hymas	17	U.S.A.	Futures National Champion

◆AMA Pro Motocross Championship

<450MX>

Team	Machine	No.	Rider	Age	Nationality	2022 result
Team Honda HRC	CRF450R	23	Chase Sexton	23	U.S.A.	450MX 2nd
		45	Colt Nichols	28	U.S.A.	—

<250MX>

Team	Machine	No.	Rider	Age	Nationality	2022 result
Team Honda HRC	CRF250R	18	Jett Lawrence	19	Australia	250MX Champion
		96	Hunter Lawrence	23	Australia	250MX 3rd
		832	Chance Hymas	17	U.S.A.	250MX 37th

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<<Japan>>

◆Japanese SUPER FORMULA Championship (SF)

Team	No.	Driver	Age	Nationality	2022 result
TEAM MUGEN	1	Tomoki Nojiri	33	Japan	SF Champion
	15	Liam Lawson	20	New Zealand	F2 3rd
DOCOMO TEAM DANDELION RACING	5	Tadasuke Makino	25	Japan	SF 5th
	6	Kakunoshin Ohta	23	Japan	SFL 2nd
ThreeBond Racing	12	Nirei Fukuzumi	25	Japan	SF 19th
B-Max Racing Team	50	Nobuharu Matsushita	29	Japan	SF 13th
	51	Raoul Hyman	26	U.K.	Formula Regional Americas Champion
TCS NAKAJIMA RACING	64	Naoki Yamamoto	34	Japan	SF 10th
	65	Ren Sato	21	Japan	SF 12th

◆SUPER GT <GT500 class>

Team	No.	Driver	Age	Nationality	2022 result
ARTA	8	Tomoki Nojiri	33	Japan	GT500 12th
		Toshiki Oyu	24	Japan	GT500 14th
	16	Nirei Fukuzumi	25	Japan	GT500 12th
		Hiroki Otsu	28	Japan	GT500 15th
Astemo REAL RACING	17	Kodai Tsukakoshi	36	Japan	GT500 4th
		Nobuharu Matsushita	29	Japan	
Modulo Nakajima Racing	64	Takuya Izawa	38	Japan	GT500 15th
		Kakunoshin Ohta	23	Japan	GT300 8th
TEAM KUNIMITSU	100	Naoki Yamamoto	34	Japan	GT500 3rd
		Tadasuke Makino	25	Japan	

◆SUPER GT <GT300 class>

Team	No.	Driver	Age	Nationality	2022 result
TEAM UPGARAGE	18	Takashi Kobayashi	35	Japan	GT300 8th
		Syun Koide	23	Japan	FIA-F4 Champion

<<North America>>

◆IndyCar Series

Team	No.	Driver	Age	Nationality	2022 result
Meyer Shank Racing	06	Hélio Castroneves	47	Brazil	IndyCar Series 18th
	60	Simon Pagenaud	38	France	IndyCar Series 15th
Chip Ganassi Racing	8	Marcus Ericsson	32	Sweden	IndyCar Series 6th
	9	Scott Dixon	42	New Zealand	IndyCar Series 3rd
	10	Alex Palou	25	Spain	IndyCar Series 5th
	11	Marcus Armstrong	22	New Zealand	FIA-F2 13th
Rahal Letterman Lanigan Racing	15	Graham Rahal	33	U.S.A.	IndyCar Series 11th
	30	Jack Harvey	29	U.K.	IndyCar Series 22nd
	45	Christian Lundgaard	21	Denmark	IndyCar Series 14th
Dale Coyne Racing	18	David Malukas	21	U.S.A.	IndyCar Series 16th
	TBA	TBA	—	—	—
Andretti Autosport	26	Colton Herta	22	U.S.A.	IndyCar Series 10th
	27	Kyle Kirkwood	24	U.S.A.	IndyCar Series 24th
	28	Romain Grosjean	36	France	IndyCar Series 13th
Andretti Steinbrenner Autosport	29	Devlin DeFrancesco	22	Canada	IndyCar Series 23rd
TBA	TBA	Takuma Sato	45	Japan	IndyCar Series 19th

◆IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship

Team	No.	Driver	Age	Nationality	2022 result
Wayne Taylor Racing	10	Ricky Taylor	33	U.S.A.	IMSA DPi 2nd
		Filipe Albuquerque	37	Portugal	IMSA DPi 2nd
Meyer Shank Racing	60	Tom Blomqvist	29	U.K.	IMSA DPi Champion
		Colin Braun	34	U.S.A.	IMSA LMP3 Champion

<Development of motorcycle riders and automobile drivers>

For the purpose of developing riders and drivers who will become formidable contenders on the global motorsports stage, Honda Mobilityland Corporation has been operating the Suzuka Circuit Racing School-Junior (SRS-Junior) for motorcycle riders since 1992, Suzuka Circuit Racing School-Kart (SRS-Kart) since 1993 and the Suzuka Circuit Racing School-Formula (SRS-Formula) since 1995. In 2022, with a goal to further increase the quality of development programs in each category, Suzuka Circuit School was renamed as the Honda Racing School (HRS), where top-class riders and drivers provide guidance as instructors. To date, these programs have produced a number of outstanding riders and drivers who have been competing their respective motorcycle and automobile racing categories inside and outside Japan.

Honda will continue to foster young riders and drivers who strive to compete in top categories. In the area of motorcycle racing, Honda will continue the activities of **Honda Team Asia**, which will compete in the Moto2 and Moto3 classes of MotoGP in the 2023 season, and also continue to utilize **IDEMITSU Asia Talent Cup (IATC)** as a program designed to foster young riders. Through these initiatives, Honda will strive to discover and foster more riders who can compete in world-class races.

In the area of automobile racing, Honda will further strengthen the environment to foster young drivers by offering development opportunities in formula races in Europe, FIA-F4 or Super Formular Lights races in Japan, and other races through the Honda Formula Dream Project (HFDP). Moreover, Honda will continue and strengthen its collaborative relationship with Red Bull Racing in the area of driver development. In Europe, Honda and Red Bull Racing are jointly working on plans to send Japanese drivers to GB3 Championship in the U.K. in addition to FIA-F2.

Furthermore, in Japan, as in 2022, Red Bull Racing drivers will become ambassadors to HRS and teach the driving techniques of the world's top level drivers directly to HRS student drivers, supporting their growth toward their goal to compete in world-class races. In addition, the joint driver development program Honda conducts jointly with Red Bull Racing at the Japanese SUPER FORMULA Championship (SF) also will be continued, and starting in 2023, jointly with HPD, Honda will offer a scholarship program to invite top drivers who compete in the Formula Regional Americas Championship to the SF.

◆FIM Road Racing World Championship (MotoGP)

<Moto2>

Team	Machine	No.	Rider	Age	Nationality	2022 result
IDEMITSU Honda Team Asia	KALEX	35	Somkiat Chantra	23	Thailand	Moto2 10th
		79	Ai Ogura	21	Japan	Moto2 2nd

<Moto3>

Team	Machine	No.	Rider	Age	Nationality	2022 result
Honda Team Asia	NSF250RW ☆	64	Mario Aji	18	Indonesia	Moto3 26th
		72	Taiyo Furusato	17	Japan	Moto3 27th

◆FIA Formula2 Championship (F2)

Team	No.	Driver	Age	Nationality	2022 result
DAMS	TBA	Ayumu Iwasa	21	Japan	FIA-F2 5th

◆GB3 Championship

Team	No.	Driver	Age	Nationality	2022 result
HITECH GP	TBA	Souta Arao	17	Japan	French F4 3rd

◆All-Japan Super Formula Lights (SFL)

Team	No.	Driver	Age	Nationality	2022 result
B-Max Racing Team	50	Iori Kimura	23	Japan	SFL 3rd
TODA RACING	2	Syun Koide	23	Japan	FIA-F4 Champion

■ Honda initiatives to expand the popularity of motorsports

Honda has been making active efforts to expand the popularity of motorsports. In order to convey the fascination of motorsports to a broader range of people, Honda has been conducting various events and activities including ones that can be enjoyed more casually by those people who are not yet so familiar with motorsports.

<One-make race series sponsored by Honda Racing Corporation (HRC)>

HRC is hosting one-make races at approximately 30 circuits throughout Japan under two categories of races with different purposes - to simply enjoy motorsports and to foster future MotoGP riders.

The one-make race series hosted by HRC include **HRC GROM Cup**, **CBR250R Dream Cup** and **CBR250RR Dream Cup**, which features mass-market models, as well as the **NSF100 HRC Trophy**, which features the NSF100 a mass-market road racer of HRC and the **HRC NSF250R Challenge** which is designed to foster future MotoGP riders.

The one-make race series are being held at a number of circuits throughout Japan. In addition, HRC has been hosting some Japan-wide races (at Suzuka or Motegi) for riders who fulfill certain conditions and offering support for riders to step up through training classes. In other words, the HRC one-make race series have been a stage where participants can enjoy the races and/or strive to realize their dreams.

<N-ONE OWNERS' CUP>

N-ONE OWNERS' CUP is a participatory motorsports program that utilizes the N-ONE mini-vehicle. With the aim of offering a race where more people including racing beginners can participate more casually and experience the joy of driving/operating their vehicles, the N-ONE OWNERS' CUP started in 2014, taking the form of a sprint race with commercially available vehicles licensed for public roads. With this existing concept that has proven popular, this motorsports event will again be held at eight circuits spread around Japan in 2022: Suzuka Circuit, Mobility Resort Motegi, Okayama International Circuit, Fuji Speedway, Autopolis International Racing Course, Sportsland SUGO, Tokachi Speedway and Tsukuba Circuit.

<Honda Sports Driving Program [SCHOOL]>

The Honda Sports & Eco Program, which started in 2012, underwent a renewal and started in 2022 as the new Honda Sports Driving Program [SCHOOL] and will continue in 2023 at both Suzuka Circuit and Mobility Resort Motegi. The Honda Sports Driving Program [SCHOOL] is a program designed to enable more people to casually experience the fun of motorsports by using race-ready Honda Fit RS*6 with the concept of "drive, refine and compete." In addition to the race-ready Fit RS, all necessary equipment is available as retail equipment for those who wish to participate in the program without their own equipment. The program also enables participants to obtain various types of licenses, making it possible for a wide range of people to enjoy the program, from motorsports beginners to those who are looking to compete in races.

For reference: Honda Sports Driving Program [SCHOOL] website URL:
<https://www.honda.co.jp/drivers-challenge/hdp-school/about/> (Japanese)

*6 Previous generation Honda Fit RS

<Honda Eco Mileage Challenge 2023>

Since 1981, Honda has hosted the **Honda Eco Mileage Challenge**, where participants combine their creativity, freewheeling thinking and technology and compete to see how far their handcrafted vehicles can travel on one liter of fuel. The cumulative number of teams participating in the Honda Eco Mileage Challenge since 1981 has reached approximately 15,000 teams.

Honda Eco Mileage Challenge 2023: Schedule in Japan

Schedule	Event name	Circuit
June 3 (Sat.)	14th Honda Eco Mileage Challenge 2023, Motegi	West Course, Mobility Resort Motegi (Tochigi)
June 10 (Sat.)	36th Honda Eco Mileage Challenge 2023, Suzuka	East Course, Suzuka Circuit (Mie)
Aug. 6 (Sun.)	38th Honda Eco Mileage Challenge 2023, Kyushu	Circuit Course, HSR Kyushu (Kumamoto)
Sep. 9 (Sat.): Practice runs Sep. 10 (Sun.): Finals	42nd Soichiro Honda Cup Honda Eco Mileage Challenge 2023, National Competition	Super Speedway, Mobility Resort Motegi (Tochigi)

<Honda Racing THANKS DAY>

To show its appreciation to motorsports fans, Honda will host **Honda Racing THANKS DAY 2023** after the completion of the 2023 season. The date and program details will be posted on the website as soon as they are available.

<For Reference: Main international races hosted by Honda Mobilityland Corporation>

Honda Mobilityland Corporation strives to contribute to the further growth of a motorsports culture in Japan by continuing hosting various events and races in 2023.

The Suzuka Circuit, which opened in 1962 as the first full-scale race course in Japan, will host a multitude of events again in 2023, including the F1 Japanese Grand Prix, where Yuki Tsunoda, in his third year competing as an F1 driver, is expected to show a great performance. Other races to be hosted by the Suzuka Circuit in 2023 include the Suzuka 8 hours Endurance Road Race, which will be held as a part of the FIM Endurance World Championship (EWC). Mobility Resort Motegi will continue hosting various races and events throughout the year including the FIM Grand Prix World Championship (MotoGP) race as well as the FIM Trial World Championship (TrialGP).

Main international races to be hosted by Honda Mobilityland

Category	Schedule	Title	Circuit
TrialGP	May 20-21 (Sat. – Sun.)	2023 FIM Trial World Championship Japanese Grand Prix	Mobility Resort Motegi (Tochigi)
EWC	Aug. 4-6 (Fri. – Sun.)	2023 FIM Endurance World Championship The 44th Suzuka 8 hours Endurance Road Race	Suzuka Circuit (Mie)
F1	Sep. 22-24 (Fri. – Sun.)	2023 FIA Formula One World Championship Japanese Grand Prix	Suzuka Circuit (Mie)
MotoGP	Sep. 29 – Oct. 1 (Fri. – Sun.)	2023 FIM MotoGP™ World Championship Grand Prix of Japan	Mobility Resort Motegi (Tochigi)