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In 2024, the McLaren Driver Development Programme expanded significantly, increasing its membership from five drivers in 2023 to 10 this year. With the exception of Pato O'Ward and Ryō Hirakawa, all drivers in the program are currently competing in junior series or karting.

Though there were strong performances from many of the drivers, Gabriel Bortoleto and Ugo Ugochukwu were the standouts of the programme, with Bortoleto winning the F2 title and Ugochukwu winning the Macau Grand Prix.

This year, the Scuderia Ferrari Driver Academy – renamed from Ferrari Driver Academy at the start of the year – featured six drivers in its roster. That total was two fewer than 2023's, with James Wharton departing Ferrari entirely and Arthur Leclerc moving into GT racing while serving as a Ferrari development driver.

Despite the academy's high ambitions and history of producing F2 and F3 championship winners, its drivers won only two titles in 2024. Still, 2024 was not a failure for the programme, as one of its pupils got his first taste of F1 racing and will graduate to a full-time race seat in 2025.

In 2024, the Red Bull Junior Team supported a whopping 16 drivers during the year, with six of them joining mid-year from the revival of the Red Bull Driver Search held at Jerez.

This year proved to be a good one for most of the Red Bull juniors, with one of them set to make his F1 debut next season. A deeper dive into each member's year shows that despite a rollercoaster year for most, highs were more of a constant than lows.

It's been a year full of success for the Mercedes Junior Team. All seven of the programme's drivers from F2 to karting claimed multiple trophies this year. Each of their three karting drivers took a championship title, while their F2 driver Andrea Kimi Antonelli is set to step up to Formula 1 with the team next season.



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In 2024, Aston Martin's driver development programme kicked off in earnest, with two junior single-seater drivers supported by the team alongside F1 reserve and ELMS driver Felipe Drugovich.

Tina Hausmann, the first of the newly supported drivers, had a learning year in F1 Academy, while Jak Crawford, the most recent driver to join the programme, had a breakout year in F2.

This year has been a rollercoaster for the Alpine setup, with a multitude of changes to the main F1 team. At the Abu Dhabi Grand Prix, Jack Doohan became the first Enstone academy product to make his F1 debut with the race team since Romain Grosjean in 2009.

Doohan's early debut at Abu Dhabi came after a series of structural changes in August. Most notably, Hitech founder Oliver Oakes replaced Bruno Famin as team principal, with Flavio Briatore having recently returned to the team in an advisory role. Oakes moved quickly to reunite with Paul Aron, his lead driver at Hitech in F2, by signing the Estonian as reserve driver for 2025, thus overlooking Alpine Academy members.

When the F1 season kicked off with no rookies in 2024, few expected that 2023 FIA F3 driver Franco Colapinto would be the only full-time participating rookie. But after Williams decided to part ways with Logan Sargeant midway through 2024, Colapinto became the latest Williams academy member to be promoted to F1, joining a list that includes Sargeant and substitute driver Jack Aitken.

Ollie Gray left the Williams academy after the 2023 season, as he stepped away from single-seaters and raced in the European Le Mans Series and Porsche Cup competition. Jamie Chadwick also left the programme but became an adviser for the 2024 season as she continued racing in Indy NXT.

As the F1 team transitions from Alfa Romeo to Sauber to Audi, its junior programme is in a similar state of flux. In 2024, five drivers were members of the Sauber Academy; for four of them, this year seems to have been their final one in junior single-seaters.

When Sauber hired a rookie driver for their F1 team, they looked outside of their program to McLaren junior Gabriel Bortoleto, who ended up winning the 2024 F2 title as a rookie.



MCLAREN DRIVER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

by Laura Anequini



Gabriel Bortoleto

Alex Dunne

Martinius Stenshorne

Ugo Ugochukwu

Brando Badoer

Bianca Bustamante

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GABRIEL BORTOLETO

MEMBER SINCE 2023 | BRAZIL | 20

2024 IN BRIEF

F2
Invicta Racing
P1, 214.5 points

As the defending F3 champion, Bortoleto carried high expectations for his first F2 season, but how he began was hardly ideal.

Starting from pole in the season-opening feature race, the Invicta driver collided with Isack Hadjar at the first corner and earned a 10-second penalty, finishing the race fifth. The following two rounds were no better, as reliability issues and a sprint race collision with Pepe Martí and Hadjar in Melbourne meant he scored no further points.

The turning point came at round four in Imola, where he finished sixth in the sprint race and second in the feature. Thereafter, consistent points finishes brought him into the title fight. He secured wins in the Spielberg and Monza feature races, with his historic climb from last to first in the latter becoming one of F2's most iconic moments.

After that victory, rumours of a potential F1 graduation intensified. Pictures circulated of Bortoleto and Sauber boss Mattia Binotto in conversation ahead of the Italian Grand Prix. After the F1 round at Interlagos, Sauber announced Bortoleto would join the team for 2025 alongside Nico Hülkenberg, becoming Brazil's first full-time F1 driver since Felipe Massa in 2017.

Bortoleto's 14-month-long association with McLaren ended after his final F2 race, which saw him clinch the drivers' title. In doing so, he joined Charles Leclerc, George Russell and Oscar Piastri in winning back-to-back championships as rookies in both GP3 or F3 and F2.

2025 PLANS

F1 with Sauber

ALEX DUNNE

MEMBER SINCE 2024 | IRELAND | 19

2024 IN BRIEF

F3
MP Motorsport
P14, 50 points

FR World Cup
Theodore Prema
Racing
P6

Dunne joined the McLaren programme in May 2024, becoming the first Irish driver to be a part of it. Before joining, the 2022 British F4 champion was already racing in F3 with MP Motorsport, and he continued his season with McLaren's support.

Though he did not score points in his first two rounds, he secured his first podium in the Barcelona sprint race and took another in the final sprint of the year at Monza. He ended a challenging year with a total of 50 points, scored in nine of the 20 races, and 14th place in the standings.

Dunne also joined Theodore Prema Racing for the Macau Grand Prix. After qualifying 12th, he finished the race sixth even after having contact in the multi-car pile-up on the opening lap that caused a red flag.

2025 PLANS

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MARTINIUS STENSHORNE

MEMBER SINCE 2024 | NORWAY | 18

2024 IN BRIEF

- F3**
Hitech GP
P18, 38 points
- FR Middle East**
R-ace GP
P8, 100 points
- GB3**
Hitech GP
P27, 19 points

2025 PLANS

F3 with Hitech GP

The 2023 FRegional Europe runner-up, Stenshorne was announced as part of the programme alongside Dunne in May 2024.

This year, he returned for his second season in FR Middle East with R-ace GP. Although he only raced in the first three rounds, he finished eighth in the points and took podiums in each of the first four races.

Stenshorne then joined Hitech for this year's F3 season. His campaign, however, was not consistent. While he achieved his first and only win at the second round in Melbourne, Stenshorne struggled to score points otherwise, finishing inside the top 10 in only five races throughout the season.

He was also one of the drivers suspended from racing in Silverstone for not having a written approval by the FIA to take part in another championship. That was due to his brief participation in GB3 with Chris Dittmann Racing for round two in Silverstone, where he finished ninth and 14th in the two races held.

In 2025, he is set to continue racing in F3 with Hitech.

UGO UGOCHUKWU

MEMBER SINCE 2021 | UNITED STATES OF AMERICA | 17

2024 IN BRIEF

- FR World Cup**
R-ace GP
P1
- FR Europe**
Prema Racing
P11, 76 points
- FR Middle East**
R-ace GP
P7, 105 points
- GB3**
Prema Racing
P13, 185 points

2025 PLANS

F3 with Prema Racing

As in 2023, Ugochukwu raced in several championships in 2024. His year started in FR Middle East, in which he raced with the Prema-run Mumbai Falcons team. As a newcomer to the category, Ugochukwu had a strong debut season, finishing seventh in the standings and securing three podium finishes, two of which doubled as rookie wins.

He split the rest of his year between a partial GB3 campaign and a full FR Europe season. Competing in rounds one, two, three and six of GB3, Ugochukwu secured three podiums and ended the championship 13th in the standings.

In FR Europe, however, the 17-year-old had a tougher season. He scored points in only half the races of the season and only secured podium finishes in race two of the Hungaroring round and race one in Monza, where he won his first and only race in the championship.

Although FR Europe with Prema did not go smoothly, his performance in the Macau Grand Prix was a complete turnaround. Racing with R-ace GP, Ugochukwu began the weekend by securing pole for the qualifying race and, by winning that, for the main race as well. He remained unchallenged throughout the race despite having to navigate multiple safety cars, ultimately securing the win under safety car conditions.

Next year, Ugochukwu will step up to F3 and will continue racing with Prema.



BRANDO BADOER

MEMBER SINCE 2024 | ITALY | 18

2024 IN BRIEF

FR Europe
Van Amersfoort
Racing
P5, 174 points

FR Middle East
PHM Racing
P10, 76 points

Badoer was already part of the McLaren programme as an optioned driver on a one-year deal before officially joining it in October 2024.

In 2024, he first raced with PHM in FR Middle East. He had three podium finishes and ended up 10th in the standings.

Also part of the Van Amersfoort Racing line-up in FR Europe this year, Badoer had a highly consistent season in the championship – especially early on, when he finished the first 11 races in the points. He was out of the points in five out of the final nine races this season, twice because of retirements after contact. Although he did not win a race, he finished on the podium seven times during the season

For 2025, Badoer will join Prema as he steps up to F3.

2025 PLANS

F3 with Prema Racing



BIANCA BUSTAMANTE

MEMBER SINCE 2023 | PHILIPPINES | 19

2024 IN BRIEF

F1 Academy
ART Grand Prix
P7, 73 points

Italian F4
ART Grand Prix
P52, 0 points

Euro 4
ART Grand Prix
P34, 0 points

British F4
Hitech GP
P29, 6 points

Formula Winter Series
GRS Team
P40, 0 points

Just like Bortoletto, Bustamante was announced as a part of the McLaren Driver Development Programme in October 2023. Representing the papaya team in F1 Academy, Bustamante switched from Prema to ART Grand Prix for her second season in the championship.

But in contrast to her 2023 season, Bustamante's 2024 campaign was tough. She had a best finish of second in race two in Miami, which was her only podium of the season, and in Zandvoort, Singapore and Qatar, she did not score any points. She finished the year seventh in the standings with 73 points.

Although F1 Academy was the only championship in which she raced full time, Bustamante had a busy year elsewhere. She joined ART for the respective last rounds of Euro 4 and Italian F4 and competed in eight races of the Formula Winter Series, having a best result of 18th. She also joined Hitech for the Zandvoort round of British F4, finishing eighth in the reverse-grid race three.

Lastly, Bustamante was one of McLaren's drivers for the Formula E women's test in Madrid, finishing third in the session.

Having completed two seasons in F1 Academy, Bustamante is no longer eligible to compete in the series. As was announced last week, she will move up to GB3 for 2025, racing with Elite Motorsport.

2025 PLANS

GB3 with Elite
Motorsport



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ELLA LLOYD

MEMBER SINCE 2024 | UNITED KINGDOM | 19

2024 IN BRIEF

British F4

JHR Developments
P11, 99 points

F1 Academy

Prema Racing
P18, 8 points

Formula Trophy UAE

Xcel Motorsport
P24, 0 points

Formula Winter Series

Rodin Motorsport
P41, 0 points

2025 PLANS

F1 Academy with
Rodin Motorsport

In October this year, McLaren announced Lloyd would join their junior programme and represent them in F1 Academy next year. She had already raced in the championship this year as a wild card entry in Singapore, finishing ninth and seventh in the races.

After competing in Ginettas in 2022 and 2023, Lloyd made her single-seater debut in the Formula Winter Series. Racing only in the last two rounds with Rodin Motorsport, Lloyd qualified 38th but gained more than 40 positions over that weekend, finishing 21st and 20th in the first two races from the back of the grid and 22nd from 28th on the grid for race three.

Following that season, she joined JHR Developments in British F4 and secured four podiums throughout the year to finish 11th in the standings with 99 points.

Lloyd also recently raced in the first two rounds of Formula Trophy UAE with Xcel Motorsport but did not score any points.

Just like Bustamante, Lloyd was one of McLaren's representatives in the Formula E women's test in Madrid. She was the seventh-fastest driver at the event.

DRIES VAN LANGENDONCK

MEMBER SINCE 2024 | BELGIUM | 14

2024 IN BRIEF

Karting (OK)

FIA Karting World
Championship, P22
COTF Euro Series, P24
WSK Final Cup, P1

Karting (OKJ)

FIA Karting European
Championship, P1
COTF Euro Series, P1
WSK Super Master
Series, P2
WSK Euro Series, P7
WSK Champions Cup,
P2

2025 PLANS

Senior karting

Van Langendonck is the only driver from the programme who is still competing in karting. The 14-year-old was the 2023 world champion in junior karting and, before that, the winner of the 2022 Trofeo Andrea Margutti in the 60 Mini class.

Van Langendonck joined the McLaren programme in July 2024, shortly before he won the FIA Karting European Championship in the OKJ class. In the same category, he also won the Champions of the Future Euro Series despite missing the final round and finished second in both the WSK Super Master Series and the WSK Champions Cup over the winter.

He stepped up to senior karts after turning 14 at the end of August and made his OK debut at the final round of the Champions of the Future Euro Series at PF International, finishing sixth. The FIA Karting World Championship the next week went poorly – he retired and was classified 22nd – but the WSK Final Cup went much better, and he secured the title despite not winning either of the two final races. He will continue in senior karting in 2025.

SCUDERIA FERRARI DRIVER ACADEMY

by Daniele Spadi

Ollie Bearman
Dino Beganovic
Rafael Câmara
Tuukka Taponen
Maya Weug
Aurelia Nobels



OLLIE BEARMAN

MEMBER SINCE 2022 | UNITED KINGDOM | 19

2024 IN BRIEF

F1
Scuderia Ferrari, Haas
F1 Team
P18, 7 points

F2
Prema Racing
P12, 75 points

Bearman entered 2024 as an F2 title favourite, but it wasn't to be. Prema struggled to adapt to the new F2 car, and while the Briton scored a spectacular pole position in Jeddah, he never got to take advantage of it after being called up by Ferrari's F1 team to deputise for Carlos Sainz, who had to undergo surgery after contracting appendicitis.

The 19-year-old drove brilliantly to seventh on his F1 debut, but his F2 season suffered. With difficult weekends in both Melbourne and Imola, Bearman scored only six points in the first eight races, all but eliminating his title chances.

The middle of the season wasn't much better. Bearman finished in the top 10 only three more times before the summer break, one of them being a sprint race win in Spielberg. His F2 results improved after the summer break, as he won twice more on a Saturday and finished in the top 10 in five of his last six races to end up 12th in the standings with 75 points.

The 19-year-old also returned to F1 for two more race weekends, replacing Kevin Magnussen at Haas in both Baku – where he skipped F2 – and São Paulo and scoring a point in the former event. Those came after his 2025 F1 seat with Haas was confirmed in July – news no doubt helped by his stealing the spotlight in Saudi Arabia.

2025 PLANS

F1 with Haas F1 Team



DINO BEGANOVIC

MEMBER SINCE 2020 | SWEDEN | 20

2024 IN BRIEF

F2
DAMS
P20, 22 points

F3
Prema Racing
P6, 109 points

FR World Cup
Theodore Prema
Racing
P8

Beganovic has been part of the programme the longest, having joined in 2020. Coming off of a promising debut F3 campaign, the 2022 FRegional Europe champion partnered with Prema once more as he looked to challenge for the title in his second season.

The start of the season, however, did not go as planned, with Beganovic failing to score in the first three races. A maiden F3 win in the Melbourne feature race then reinvigorated his campaign, and he enjoyed six consecutive points finishes until the season's midpoint.

The 20-year-old struggled with consistency and qualifying pace in the second half of 2024. While he took three more podiums, including a sprint race win in Belgium, he dropped out of the title fight in the penultimate race and finished sixth in the drivers' standings for the second year running.

Beganovic also partook in the 71st running of the Macau Grand Prix, the first event using FR machinery. Racing for Theodore Prema, he qualified 15th, recovered to 10th in the qualifying race and finished eighth in the main event.

The Swede then made the most of his two-round F2 appearance with DAMS at the end of the year. He finished all four races he entered in the top 10 and secured his first F2 podium in the Abu Dhabi sprint race. Beganovic will continue in F2 in 2025, this time with Hitech.

2025 PLANS

F2 with Hitech GP



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RAFAEL CÂMARA

MEMBER SINCE 2022 | BRAZIL | 19

2024 IN BRIEF

FR Europe
 Prema Racing
 P1, 309 points

FR Middle East
 Mumbai Falcons
 Racing Limited
 P3, 128 points

2025 PLANS

F3 with Trident

Though many expected Câmara to step up to F3 after a great rookie season in FR Europe, the Brazilian stayed in the European series for one more year with a clear goal in mind: to win the title. To maximise his preparation, the Brazilian competed in FR Middle East first, finishing the season in third place for the second year running while taking home two wins.

At the start of his second FR Europe season, Câmara made his intentions clear from the beginning by winning four of the opening seven races of the season and finishing second in the other three. He scored points for fourteen races in a row in a feat of great consistency before not taking any points from a rough weekend at the Red Bull Ring.

Câmara was already on the brink of the title by then, and he claimed it at the next round in Barcelona; finishing on the podium in three of the final four races ensured he won with a 73-point gap over Wharton. Coming off seven wins total and five additional trips to the podium, Câmara will join the 2025 F3 grid with Trident – the team that won the last two drivers’ championships – as an early candidate for the crown.



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TUUKKA TAPONEN

MEMBER SINCE 2023 | FINLAND | 18

2024 IN BRIEF

F3
 ART Grand Prix
 P31, 0 points

FR World Cup
 R-ace GP
 P10

FR Europe
 R-ace GP
 P7, 198 points

FR Middle East
 R-ace GP
 P1, 255 points

2025 PLANS

F3 with ART Grand Prix

Another star of FR in 2024 was Taponen, who joined the Ferrari programme at the end of 2022 ahead of his first full year in single-seaters. After racing in three F4 series in 2023, Taponen stepped up to FR Middle East at the start of 2024. A near-faultless campaign saw him collect five wins and four more podiums, finish in the top seven in all 15 races and claim the title with a whopping 79 points over Taylor Barnard.

In his maiden FR Europe campaign, Taponen finished on the podium on debut in Hockenheim and won his first race at round three in Zandvoort. He then hit new heights with three victories in a row in both Hungaroring races and the first race in Mugello, putting him just 29 points behind Câmara in the title fight at the season’s midpoint.

Bad luck and errors, however, hamstrung Taponen in the second half of the season. With five retirements from the last nine races, the 18-year-old dropped to third in the standings, 111 points behind Câmara and 38 behind Wharton.

The Finn also headed to Macau in November with R-ace GP as a favourite for victory, but an accident in the qualifying race left him 26th on the grid for the main event. Taponen recovered to 10th in the race, finishing 10 seconds behind race winner Ugo Ugochukwu.

Next year, Taponen graduates to F3 with ART Grand Prix. He already made his F3 debut with the team when he substituted for Nikola Tsolov at Spa in July.



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MAYA WEUG

MEMBER SINCE 2021 | NETHERLANDS | 20

2024 IN BRIEF

FR Europe
KIC Motorsport
P29, 0 points

F1 Academy
Prema Racing
P3, 177 points

Weug was one of the surprises of the 2023 FR Europe season, collecting all 27 points of KIC Motorsport's year-end total. During the off-season, Weug was looking at the possibility of being picked up by teams' champions Prema to compete once more in the series.

However, the 20-year-old later announced she would join the F1 Academy grid with Prema in 2024, representing Ferrari. The Spanish-Dutch driver looked quick and comfortable with the car straight away, collecting two podium finishes in Jeddah, but two challenging race weekends in Miami and Barcelona – the latter of which yielded no points – essentially put her out of title contention early on.

Despite pre-season expectations and her prowess in faster FR machinery, Weug ultimately lacked the pace to fight with the top two drivers of the series, Abbi Pulling and Doriane Pin. She collected eight podium finishes throughout the season, with her sole victory coming at the last race in Abu Dhabi, and ended the season in third place with 177 points.

In September, she added the Imola round of FR Europe with KIC to her calendar and finished 22nd and 14th in the two races.

Weug finished the season in third place with 177 points. Her 2025 plans are still unannounced, but she is expected to stay in F1 Academy for another year alongside a campaign in a second championship, as Pulling and Pin managed this year.

2025 PLANS

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AURELIA NOBELS

MEMBER SINCE 2023 | BELGIUM & BRAZIL | 17

2024 IN BRIEF

F1 Academy
ART Grand Prix
P12, 29 points

Euro 4
ART Grand Prix
P29, 0 points

British F4
Argenti Motorsport
P26, 9 points

F4 UAE
Saintéloc Racing
P38, 0 points

Saudi Arabian F4
P11, 26 points

Nobels was the academy's statistically most active member in 2024, racing in five different F4-level series. To start off the year, the 17-year-old took part in the opening two rounds of F4 UAE with Saintéloc, achieving a best result of 19th, before racing in round three of Saudi Arabian F4 at Lusail, where she finished all four races in the points and stood on the podium in the final race.

The Brazilian then began her main 2024 campaign in F1 Academy with ART by scoring points on her debut in Jeddah, though those were her only ones until Zandvoort. There, she enjoyed her best weekend of the season, finishing seventh and a season-high fifth in the two races. She added three more points finishes in Qatar and Abu Dhabi to her season tally of 29.

Nobels also made appearances in British F4's Zandvoort round with Argenti and Euro 4's Monza season finale with ART, though she did not reach the top 10 in any races.

After failing to score points in both Italian F4 and Euro 4 in a tough 2023, Nobels aimed for a step forward in 2024. Twelfth in the F1 Academy drivers' standings was not the result she would have wanted, but she is expected to have another chance in the series next year to improve on her 2024 performances.

2025 PLANS

TBA



RED BULL JUNIOR TEAM

by Marco Albertini

- Ayumu Iwasa
- Isack Hadjar
- Pepe Martí
- Oliver Goethe
- Arvid Lindblad
- Tim Tramnitz
- Kacper Sztuka
- Enzo Deligny
- Jules Caranta
- Ernesto Rivera
- James Egozi
- Enzo Tarnvanichkul
- Christopher Feghali
- Fionn McLaughlin
- Rocco Coronel
- Scott Kin Lindblom



AYUMU IWASA

MEMBER SINCE 2021 | JAPAN | 23

2024 IN BRIEF

Super Formula
Team Mugen
P5, 63.5 points

With two seasons of F2 under his belt, Iwasa moved back to Japan to compete in Super Formula with Team Mugen, replacing Liam Lawson.

Having shown speed in the post-season tests, Iwasa achieved his maiden pole position in the second round. He converted that into the first of his three second-place finishes across the season on his way to a respectable fifth place in the standings as the highest-placed rookie.

In April, Iwasa made his first-ever F1 free practice one appearance at the Japanese Grand Prix for RB. He most recently drove for the Faenza-based team again during the Abu Dhabi Grand Prix weekend.

2025 PLANS

Super Formula with
Team Mugen

For 2025, Iwasa is expected to stay in Super Formula with Team Mugen, though Red Bull will end their partnership with the team.



ISACK HADJAR

MEMBER SINCE 2022 | FRANCE | 20

2024 IN BRIEF

F2
Campos Racing
P2, 192 points

Having endured a difficult rookie F2 season with Hitech GP in 2023, Hadjar returned to F2, switching to Campos for his sophomore season. Paired up with fellow Red Bull junior Pepe Martí, he came agonisingly close to the title, being bested only by Gabriel Bortoleto by 22.5 points.

After a troubled start to the season, Hadjar won two feature races in a row, in Melbourne and Imola and racked up further wins in Silverstone and Spa. Despite stalling on the grid in the final race of the season, which effectively took him out of title contention, the French-Algerian driver finished runner-up with 192 points.

In 2025, Hadjar will join the Racing Bulls outfit in F1.

2025 PLANS

F1 with Racing Bulls



PEPE MARTÍ

MEMBER SINCE 2023 | SPAIN | 19

2024 IN BRIEF

F2
Campos Racing
P14, 62 points

Having finished a strong fifth in F3 in the previous year, Pepe Martí came into F2 with high expectations at Campos, but ultimately the season proved to be disappointing for the Spanish driver.

Martí started the season off with two podiums in the opening round in Bahrain, but his fortunes soon changed. He struggled to score points during the rest of the season – only doing so five more times before the season finale – before taking a win in the Yas Marina sprint race. He also scored a second-place finish in the Austria sprint.

Martí ended a difficult year 14th in the standings. Before the post-season test, Martí was confirmed to stay with Campos in F2 for 2025, partnering rookie and fellow Red Bull junior Arvid Lindblad.

2025 PLANS

F2 with Campos Racing



OLIVER GOETHE

MEMBER SINCE 2023 | GERMANY | 20

2024 IN BRIEF

F2
MP Motorsport
P23, 14 points

F3
Campos Racing
P7, 94 points

FR World Cup
MP Motorsport
P2

Following an up-and-down maiden season in F3 with Trident, Oliver Goethe returned to the championship for a second season, now with Campos and as a Red Bull junior.

He improved his results significantly, scoring points in all but three races in which he competed. He took a double podium at Imola, including a win in the sprint race, and added another podium at Barcelona, which helped him stay in the mathematical fight for the title heading into the last round of the season at Monza.

Goethe, however, skipped the F3 finale to make his F2 debut for MP, competing in the last four rounds with them as a replacement for Franco Colapinto. In that series, he scored a best result of fourth in the Lusail feature race. He ended the year seventh in F3 and 23rd in F2.

The Danish-German driver also competed in the Macau Grand Prix for MP, coming runner-up to Ugo Ugochukwu on his return to FRegional machinery.

Goethe's 2025 plans, announced in December, are to compete full time in F2 with MP alongside Richard Verschoor, who joined the team for the final two rounds.

2025 PLANS

F2 with MP Motorsport



ARVID LINDBLAD

MEMBER SINCE 2021 | UNITED KINGDOM | 17

2024 IN BRIEF

F3

Prema Racing
P4, 113 points

FR Middle East

Mumbai Falcons
Racing Limited
P13, 33 points

After winning the Macau F4 race and coming close to the Italian F4 crown, Lindblad stepped up to FR Middle East with Mumbai Falcons on a part-time basis. He scored one win and finished 13th in the standings.

His main programme, however, was a full season of F3 with Prema. He was immediately on the pace, becoming the championship’s youngest winner at the Bahrain sprint and leaving the Sakhir round fifth in the points.

The Briton amassed three more wins, two of them at the Silverstone round, and was second in the standings heading into the Hungaroring round. From that event onward, he failed to score points but still finished a solid fourth in the standings as the series’ best rookie.

In 2025, Lindblad will join Campos in F2 alongside Pepe Martí, the team confirmed in September. He already participated in post-season testing with the team in Abu Dhabi, where he explained to Feeder Series that Campos’ ties with Red Bull meant he had “a bit more support” from the Austrian marque and junior team director Guillaume Rocquelin than he did at Prema. He will precede his F2 season with a winter campaign in FR Oceania with M2 Competition.

2025 PLANS

F2 with Campos
Racing; FR Oceania
with M2 Competition



TIM TRAMNITZ

MEMBER SINCE 2023 | GERMANY | 20

After finishing third in FR Europe last year, Tramnitz stepped up to F3 with MP Motorsport for this year. With a promising start in Bahrain, where he scored a top five and a podium, he left the Middle East second in the standings, but an inconsistent middle of the year saw him drop out of the top five in the standings despite scoring two more podiums.

However, in the second half of the season, Tramnitz was a consistent contender for top-fives, even taking his maiden F3 win in the Monza sprint. He finished his first season of F3 ninth in the standings.

In 2025, Tramnitz will remain with MP Motorsport, staying in F3 for his sophomore season in the category. He will be the highest-placed driver from the 2024 season returning to the series.

2024 IN BRIEF

F3

MP Motorsport
P9, 81 points

2025 PLANS

F3 with MP Motorsport



KACPER SZTUKA

MEMBER FROM 2023 TO 2024 | POLAND | 18

2024 IN BRIEF

F3
MP Motorsport
P27, 6 points

Sztuka moved up to F3 for this year with the support of the Red Bull Junior Team, which he earned after winning the Italian F4 title in 2023. But his season proved to be tough, and the Polish driver struggled to meet expectations amid difficulties adapting to the F3 car. He was dropped from the Red Bull Junior Team in June 2024 after just four rounds in the team's colours.

Sztuka finished 27th in the championship for MP Motorsport. His sole points finish, a fifth place, came at the Imola sprint race, which he started from pole.

Sztuka's 2025 plans are uncertain.

2025 PLANS

TBA



ENZO DELIGNY

MEMBER SINCE 2023 | FRANCE | 16

Coming off the rookie championship win in Spanish F4, Deligny competed in F4 UAE with R-ace GP during the winter. He won one race and finished eighth in the standings despite only racing in the last three rounds.

In his main program in FR Europe with R-ace GP, the 16-year-old scored two rookie podiums – in the second race in Hungary and the first in Imola – but never took a top-three result. Having scored points consistently throughout the early part of the season, Deligny struggled in the last half on his way to 12th in the standings. His best results were two fourth places in the second race at Hockenheim and the first race at Imola.

At the end of the year, Deligny competed in the Macau Grand Prix, finishing in fourth place at the end of the weekend.

The French-Chinese driver's 2025 plans haven't been confirmed as of now. He is expected to compete in FR Europe with the same outfit next year but is believed to be leaving the Red Bull fold.

2024 IN BRIEF

FR World Cup
R-ace GP
P4

FR Europe
R-ace GP
P12, 61 points

F4 UAE
R-ace GP
P8, 73 points

2025 PLANS

TBA



JULES CARANTA

MEMBER SINCE 2024 | FRANCE | 16

2024 IN BRIEF

French F4

P3, 266 points

F4 UAE

R-ace GP, Saintéloc
Racing

P15, 37 points

Caranta started the year in the F4 UAE Championship, driving with R-ace GP for all but the third round, which he drove with Saintéloc. He had a rocky start but became a consistent presence in the top 10, scoring points in the last seven races and finishing 15th in the standings.

His main programme, however, would be in French F4. He scored four wins and seven other podiums – all third places – to finish third in the championship, 14 points behind champion Taito Kato, in what was a standout rookie season.

2025 PLANS

TBA

During his French F4 stint, he joined the Red Bull Junior Team after taking part in the Red Bull Driver Search in August. A jump to Eurocup-3 with Campos is his likely path for 2025.



ERNESTO RIVERA

MEMBER SINCE 2024 | MEXICO | 16

Starting the year off in the Formula Winter Series with Campos, Rivera finished 15th with one podium in the final round in an inconsistent debut season in F4.

Based on those results, few would have expected him to fight for top fives in his main campaign Spanish F4 on a consistent basis, but that's exactly what he did. He won the second race at Portimão and scored 10 total top-five finishes to finish fifth in the standings in his first year in Europe.

Red Bull noticed his early-season rise and signed him to its junior team partway through the year after he participated in the Red Bull Driver Search.

Rivera's 2025 plans haven't been confirmed as of now, but it seems likely that he will compete in the Eurocup-3 championship with Campos Racing.

2024 IN BRIEF

Spanish F4

Campos Racing
P5, 148 points

British F4

Hitech GP
P22, 18 points

Formula Winter Series

Campos Racing
P15, 24 points

2025 PLANS

TBA



JAMES EGOZI

MEMBER SINCE 2024 | UNITED STATES OF AMERICA | 17

2024 IN BRIEF

Spanish F4
Campos Racing
P6, 143 points

Formula Winter Series

Campos Racing
P9, 54 points

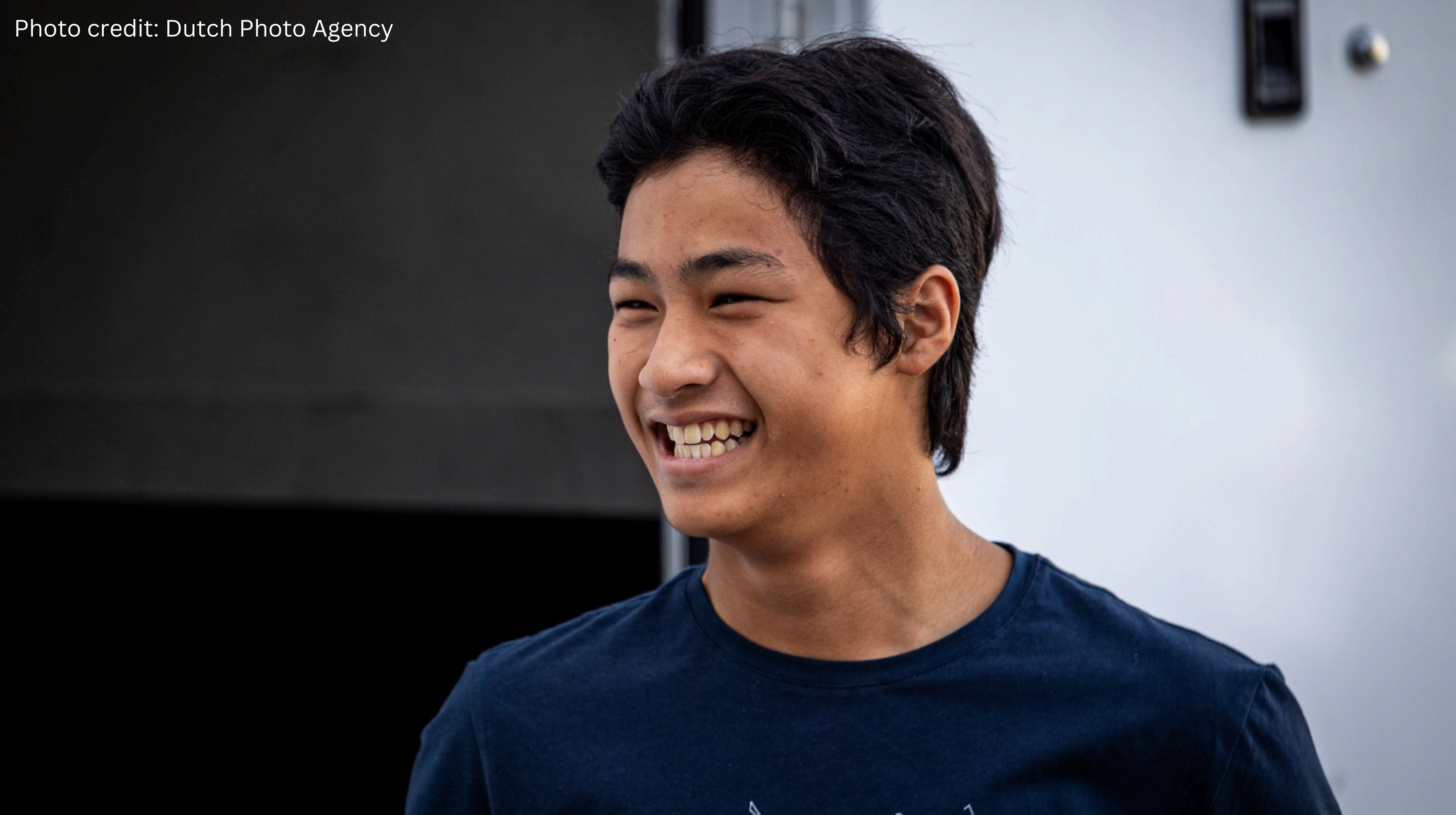
Having finished 14th in Italian F4 in 2023 with PHM, Egozi came into 2024 aiming to improve his form. Starting the year in Spain competing in two of the four Formula Winter Series rounds with Campos, Egozi took his first win in the series in the third race at the Aragon round. He was classified ninth in the standings at season's end.

The American driver took a step up in his main programme in Spanish F4, scoring three podiums and a pole at the final round at Barcelona. He ended the season sixth in the standings as the second-highest-placed Campos driver behind Rivera.

2025 PLANS

TBA

While his plans for 2025 haven't yet been confirmed, he has tested with RPM in FR Europe machinery and has been linked for a drive with them for next year.



ENZO TARNVANICHKUL

MEMBER SINCE 2023 | THAILAND | 15

Coming off a strong karting career highlighted by winning the 2022 OK-Junior world title, Tarnvanichkul had a difficult maiden year in F4.

The Thai driver started the year off in the Formula Winter Series, driving in the last two rounds of the season with Campos after turning the minimum age of 15. He scored a best result of 11th in the final race of the season, which put him 32nd in the standings.

His main campaign, the Spanish F4 championship, didn't start off well, and he only scored two points finishes in the first three rounds with a best result of seventh. But from the fourth round at Aragon, Tarnvanichkul began to score points on a more regular basis. These improved results included a third-place finish at Valencia and a promising showing in the final round at Barcelona, where he scored a fifth and a fourth to rise to 12th in the standings.

Tarnvanichkul's plans haven't been announced. He has been rumoured to step up to Eurocup-3 for 2025.

2024 IN BRIEF

Spanish F4
Campos Racing
P12, 69 points

Formula Winter Series

Campos Racing
P32, 0 points

2025 PLANS

TBA



CHRISTOPHER FEGHALI

MEMBER SINCE 2024 | LEBANON | 15

2024 IN BRIEF

Spanish F4

Drivex
N/A, 0 points

Karting (Rotax Senior Max)

Rotax Max Challenge
Lebanon, P1

Lebanon's first driver in the Red Bull Junior Team, Feghali participated in the Red Bull Driver Search.

This year, Feghali competed in the Rotax RMC Lebanon championship in the Senior category. That came off the back of ninth in the Champions of the Future Academy Program event at Al Forsan in OK-N last year and a win in the Rotax Challenge Grand Finals in the 125cc Mini Max category in 2022.

After joining the Red Bull Junior Team, Feghali competed as a guest driver in the last two rounds of Spanish F4 with Drivex, achieving a best finish of 12th at Barcelona.

Feghali will stay with Drivex for the 2025 Spanish F4 season.

2025 PLANS

Spanish F4 with Drivex



FIONN McLAUGHLIN

MEMBER SINCE 2024 | IRELAND | 17

The first Irish driver in the Red Bull Junior Team since Niall Quinn in 2006, 17-year-old McLaughlin participated in the Red Bull Driver Search in Jerez and was one of the first two drivers announced to be joining the junior team in August.

McLaughlin took two wins and finished third in the Champions of the Future Euro Series in the OK class.

Other strong results include a podium in the Kristianstad round of the FIA Karting European Championship, in which he finished sixth, and a sixth-place finish in the FIA Karting World Championship at PF International in September as a Red Bull junior.

In November of this year, it was announced that the Irishman would make the step up to F4, signing with Hitech GP to compete in the British F4 Championship alongside Leo Robinson and Thomas Bearman.

2024 IN BRIEF

Karting (OK)

FIA Karting World Championship, P6
FIA Karting European Championship, P6
COTF Euro Series, P3
WSK Super Master Series, P7

Karting (X30 Senior)

IAME Euro Series, P2
IAME Winter Cup, P34

2025 PLANS

British F4 and Formula Winter Series with Hitech GP



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ROCCO CORONEL

MEMBER SINCE 2024 | NETHERLANDS | 14

2024 IN BRIEF

Ginetta Junior Winter Series

R Racing
P7, 46 points

Karting (OK)

WSK Final Cup, P4

Karting (OKJ)

FIA Karting World Championship, P3
FIA Karting European Championship, P12
COTF Euro Series, P5
WSK Super Master Series, P18
WSK Champions Cup, P4

Karting (X30 Junior)

IAME Winter Cup, P4

2025 PLANS

Ginetta Junior Championship with R Racing

The son of 1999 Formula Nippon champion and touring car racer Tom Coronel, 14-year-old Coronel was picked up by Red Bull during his final year competing only in karts.

In 2024, the young Dutchman won the Cremona round of the WSK Final Cup in the OK class and placed fourth overall in the series. He also had strong showings at the FIA Karting World Championship, finishing third in OK-Junior class, and the Champions of the Future Euro Series, achieving fifth place in the standings and winning the opening round at Valencia.

In late 2024, Coronel made his debut in cars, racing in the Ginetta Junior Winter Series for R Racing alongside Lindblom. In the series' sole round, he finished sixth in two of the three races and was classified seventh in the standings.

As was announced before his participation in the winter series, Coronel will compete in the main Ginetta Junior Championship with the same team in 2025.

SCOTT KIN LINDBLOM

MEMBER SINCE 2024 | SWEDEN | 14

2024 IN BRIEF

Ginetta Junior Winter Series

R Racing
P14, 16 points

Karting (OK)

COTF Euro Series, P8
WSK Euro Series, P1
WSK Final Cup, P49

Karting (OKJ)

FIA Karting European Championship, P32
COTF Euro Series, P50
WSK Super Master Series, P11

Karting (X30 Junior)

IAME Euro Series, P12

2025 PLANS

Ginetta Junior Championship with R Racing

The first driver to represent Sweden in the Red Bull Junior Team, Lindblom – also picked up in August – won the WSK Euro Series in his maiden outings in the OK class in June.

In the OKJ class last year, he previously finished fourth in the same championship whilst also finishing third in the FIA Karting World Championship.

After the karting season ended, Lindblom competed in the Ginetta Junior Winter Series with R Racing. The Swede finished 14th in the standings, with a best result of 13th.

Lindblom is set to compete in the Ginetta Junior Championship for 2025 with the same team as he leaves full-time karting behind.

MERCEDES JUNIOR TEAM

by Kaylene Lau

Andrea Kimi Antonelli

Doriane Pin

Alex Powell

Yuanpu Cui

Luna Fluxá

Kenzo Craigie

James Anagnostiadis





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ANDREA KIMI ANTONELLI

MEMBER SINCE 2018 | ITALY | 18

2024 IN BRIEF

F2
Prema Racing
P6, 113 points

Expectations were sky-high this year for 2023 FRegional Europe and Middle East champion Antonelli, who had skipped F3 and jumped straight into F2 with Prema Racing. Before the F2 season had even begun, the Italian was in contention to fill the Mercedes seat that Lewis Hamilton would be vacating at the end of the year.

Though the start of his season was rocky, Antonelli found his footing in Silverstone, securing his first F2 podium and win in a rain-affected sprint race. He then went on to win the feature race in Budapest with a 12-second margin and finished third in an incident-filled Baku feature race.

Antonelli withdrew from the final round in Abu Dhabi because of an illness, meaning that his final F2 races came in Qatar. That was a difficult round for the Italian driver, who retired from both races after being caught up in incidents.

He ended his rookie season sixth in the championship with 113 points and two wins.

On Saturday of the Italian Grand Prix weekend in Monza and the day after Antonelli participated in his first F1 free practice session, Mercedes confirmed that he would step up to F1 with them in 2025.

2025 PLANS

F1 with Mercedes

DORIANE PIN

MEMBER SINCE 2024 | FRANCE | 20

2024 IN BRIEF

FR Europe
Iron Dames
P27, 0 points

F1 Academy
Prema Racing
P2, 217 points

F4 UAE
Prema Racing
P10, 66 points

WEC (LMGT3)
Iron Dames
P29, 6 points

IMSA SportsCar
(GTD)
Iron Dames
P53, 268 points

Though 2024 was Pin's first full year in single-seater racing, she entered the F1 Academy championship with her name already in the mix as a title contender because of her success in endurance racing. This year was her first as a Mercedes junior driver.

Pin raced in F4 UAE with Prema at the beginning of the year in preparation for F1 Academy, taking one pole and one victory in the fourth round. She missed the final round of the season but still finished 10th.

Pin's start in F1 Academy was nothing short of impressive. The Frenchwoman, once again racing with Prema, dominated the first race and won the second race on track, but a post-race penalty handed to her after she took the chequered flag twice dropped her down to ninth. Consistent throughout her entire F1 Academy season, she finished on the podium eight times, with three of those times being wins, and ended up second in the drivers' standings with 217 points.

Pin also raced with the Iron Dames for her inaugural FR Europe campaign, with a best finish of 13th at Paul Ricard. She missed two rounds of the season in June after sustaining a rib injury during the second round at Spa.

Next year, Pin will return to F1 Academy for a second season with Mercedes and Prema. She will also compete in FR Europe and the last three rounds of FR Middle East.

2025 PLANS

FR Europe, FR Middle East & F1 Academy with Prema Racing



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ALEX POWELL

MEMBER SINCE 2019 | JAMAICA & UNITED STATES | 17

2024 IN BRIEF

Italian F4

Prema Racing
P5, 176 points

Euro 4

Prema Racing
P9, 49 points

F4 UAE

Mumbai Falcons
Racing Limited
P6, 105 points

Part of the Mercedes Junior Team since 2019, Powell completed his first full year in single-seaters in 2024 after entering a handful of races in the latter stages of 2023. The Jamaican-American driver stood on the podium at least once in every championship he contested this year.

Powell started this year racing in F4 UAE with Mumbai Falcons, reaching the podium for the first time in the first race of the second round in Yas Marina. His first win of the year came in the second race of the third round in Dubai. Powell earned two more third-place finishes in the final two rounds of the season, which was his first full F4 campaign.

Racing with Prema, he started his Italian F4 season strongly by finishing second in all three races in the first round at Misano. Though he only took three more podiums in the remaining 18 races, he scored in 13 of them. His total of six podium finishes and 176 points helped him to fifth in the championship, while he won the rookie title with 10 class victories.

Powell once again raced with Prema in the Euro 4 championship, taking one win in the first race of the last round in Monza. He finished ninth in the drivers' standings and fourth in the rookie championship.

Powell's plans for 2025 are unknown so far, but he has been testing with R-ace GP, presumed to be in preparation for an Italian F4 campaign.

2025 PLANS

TBA

YUANPU CUI

MEMBER SINCE 2021 | CHINA | 16

2024 IN BRIEF

British F4

Argenti Motorsport
P9, 102.5 points

Chinese F4

Black Blade Racing
P11, 62 points

F4 UAE

Xcel Motorsport
P24, 2 points

Much like his fellow Mercedes Junior Team member Powell, Cui contested his first full year in single-seaters in 2024. In addition to his British F4 campaign, Cui also raced in four rounds of F4 UAE and one round of Chinese F4.

Cui's British F4 campaign with Argenti started off well, with a fourth-place finish in the first race at Donington Park. He went on to claim his first F4 victory in the reverse-grid race at Snetterton. Consistent points finishes, including another podium at Knockhill, helped him finish ninth in his first British F4 season with 102.5 points. The 16-year-old also challenged for the rookie title, which he only lost by 11 points to Martin Molnár.

In F4 UAE, the first series he entered this year, Cui raced with Xcel Motorsport. He only scored points in the third race of round four in Yas Marina, finishing ninth and picking up two points. That tally put him 24th in the championship.

Cui also entered the fourth round of Chinese F4's 2024 season with Black Blade Racing and claimed two victories. Though he only raced in one round of the championship, his results were enough for him to finish 11th in the championship, ahead of some drivers who raced in the series full time.

Next year, Cui will be stepping up to GB3 with Argenti.

2025 PLANS

GB3 with Argenti
Motorsport



LUNA FLUXÁ

MEMBER SINCE 2022 | SPAIN | 14

2024 IN BRIEF

Karting (OK)

FIA Karting World Championship, P48
FIA Karting European Championship, P30
COTF Euro Series, P56

Karting (OK-N Senior)

COTF Academy Program, P1

Fluxá joined the Mercedes Junior Team in 2022. The Spaniard thoroughly impressed this year on her move up from the OK-Junior class to the OK class. She also joined the Iron Dames this year.

Fluxá claimed the inaugural Champions of the Future Academy Program title in the OK-N Senior class with a total of 665 points, having dominated the championship from round one. On the road to claiming the title, she took six final wins from 12 and nine podiums.

The 14-year-old also finished 48th in the FIA Karting World Championship and 30th in the FIA Karting European Championship, both in the OK class.

Fluxá’s plans for 2025 are yet to be announced.

2025 PLANS

TBA



KENZO CRAIGIE

MEMBER SINCE 2023 | UNITED KINGDOM | 14

2024 IN BRIEF

Karting (OKJ)

FIA Karting World Championship, P1
FIA Karting European Championship, P19
COTF Euro Series, P3

Karting (X30 Junior)

IAME Euro Series, P20
IAME Warrior Final, P1

It’s been a year to remember for Craigie, who joined the Mercedes Junior Team in 2023. The 14-year-old British karter remained in the OK-Junior class this year and ended 2024 as the junior karting world champion. Craigie claimed that title in September in thrilling – albeit controversial – fashion in a rain-affected race after an intense last-lap battle with Prema teammate Noah Baglin that ended in a collision.

Craigie added to his success this year by winning the IAME Warrior Final in the X30 Junior class. Craigie also ended up third overall in the Champions of the Future Euro Series, finishing third at Val D’Argenton and second at PF International, the venue of the FIA Karting World Championship the following week.

Craigie’s plans for next year are yet to be announced.

2025 PLANS

TBA



JAMES ANAGNOSTIADIS

MEMBER SINCE 2024 | AUSTRALIA | 14

2024 IN BRIEF

Karting (OKJ)

FIA Karting World Championship, P2
FIA Karting European Championship, P28
COTF Euro Series, P15
WSK Super Master Series, P55

Karting (OK-N Junior)

COTF Academy Program, P1

2025 PLANS

TBA

The newest addition to the Mercedes Junior Team, Anagnostiadis competed in the OK-Junior class this year. The 14-year-old Australian raced in the FIA European Karting Championship, finishing 28th, and the FIA Karting World Championship, finishing second to Craigie.

His most notable campaign, however, came in the Champions of the Future Academy Program, in which he took the title in the OK-Junior class with 674 points and a 174-point lead over second place.

Anagnostiadis' plans for 2025 are yet to be announced.

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Jak Crawford
Tina Hausmann



JAK CRAWFORD

MEMBER SINCE 2024 | UNITED STATES OF AMERICA | 19

2024 IN BRIEF

F2
DAMS
P5, 125 points

Following a difficult debut year in F2 with Hitech that saw him leave the Red Bull Junior Team, Crawford joined Aston Martin's junior programme in early 2024. When he joined, he was preparing for his second season in F2, for which he switched to DAMS and lined up alongside Juan Manuel Correa.

Having started off the year with a podium in the Bahrain sprint, Crawford challenged regularly for top-five finishes throughout the season. He took his only win of the season in the Barcelona feature and added two third-place finishes at Silverstone and Spa before the summer break.

Crawford finished in the points in all but two races during the last five rounds. He scored two more podiums after the summer break and finished fifth in the standings.

2025 PLANS

F2 with DAMS

In early 2024, Crawford tested for the Andretti Formula E team in Berlin. The team announced in November that he would join them as a reserve driver for the 2024–25 season.

As was announced in October, he will remain with DAMS in F2 for 2025, this time alongside Kush Maini.



TINA HAUSMANN

MEMBER SINCE 2023 | SWITZERLAND | 18

2024 IN BRIEF

F1 Academy
Prema Racing
P10, 31 points

F4 UAE
Xcel Motorsport
P40, 0 points

After a promising debut year with AKM Motorsport in Italian F4, Hausmann was signed by Aston Martin as its representative in F1 Academy with Prema Racing for 2024.

She started the year with a one-off appearance for Xcel Motorsport in F4 UAE's second round in Yas Marina, where she had a best finish of 21st.

She then turned her attention to F1 Academy and started off the season on a high with a sixth-place finish in the first Jeddah race. But she struggled to reach those heights again, with a double retirement in Miami kicking off a challenging summer. She scored points in four of the next six races, with a best result of eighth, but struggled to match the pace of her teammates.

After not reaching the points in Qatar or the first race at Yas Marina, she turned things around for the last two races of season with a ninth and a fourth, her best result of the season. Those boosted her to 10th in the drivers' standings at the end of her first season in the championship.

Hausmann's exact future has not yet been confirmed, but she is expected to stay in F1 Academy for another year.

2025 PLANS

TBA

ALPINE ACADEMY

by Martin Lloyd

Victor Martins
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Gabriele Mini
Nikola Tsolov
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Kean Nakamura-Berta
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VICTOR MARTINS

MEMBER FROM 2018 TO 2019, SINCE 2021 | FRANCE | 23

2024 IN BRIEF

F2
ART Grand Prix
P7, 107 points

After finishing fifth in a solid debut season in F2 last year and with his F3 triumph from 2022 still in memory, Martins was expected to mount a title challenge in 2024. He remained with reigning champions ART Grand Prix as lead driver, but the season proved to be a struggle for both team and driver. ART had difficulty adapting to the new Dallara F2 car and only managed seventh in the teams' championship.

When opportunities presented themselves, Martins scored five podiums, including a sprint race win at Barcelona. He also showed strong one-lap pace throughout the season, qualifying in the top five in seven of the season's first 13 rounds before taking pole position at the final round in Abu Dhabi, but last-place results in three qualifying sessions held him back.

2025 PLANS

TBA

The 23-year-old finished a lowly seventh in the drivers' standings with 107 points, down from 150 last year. He is expected to continue with ART for a third F2 campaign in 2025, but it is unclear if he will remain in the Alpine Academy programme after he appeared without the customary Alpine livery in post-season testing with the team.



KUSH MAINI

MEMBER SINCE 2023 | INDIA | 24

2024 IN BRIEF

F2
Invicta Racing
P13, 74 points

Maini became an Alpine junior in October 2023 during his rookie F2 season, earning an F1 academy's support for the first time. The Indian driver had a mixed second F2 season and ended with a disappointing 13th-place finish in the championship.

While Maini contributed to Invicta Racing's 288.5-point total that won them the teams' championship, his points-scoring efforts were dwarfed by those of drivers' champion Gabriel Bortoleto.

Maini did take his first race win in the sprint race at Hungary, while he also scored four further podiums. But after Hungary, a torrid end-of-season run in which he scored no points in five rounds meant that the 24-year-old fell outside of the top ten in the drivers' standings with 74 points.

For 2025, Maini will switch to DAMS for his third season in F2.

2025 PLANS

F2 with DAMS



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GABRIELE MINÌ

MEMBER SINCE 2023 | ITALY | 19

2024 IN BRIEF

F2
 Prema Racing
 P27, 6 points

F3
 Prema Racing
 P2, 130 points

Competing for Prema Racing, Minì put together an impressive sophomore season in F3, with the highlight being his Monaco feature race win. His disqualification from the final race of the season at Monza inflated the gap to champion Leonardo Fornaroli from two after the race to 23, but Minì still finished second in the standings.

Two weeks after the F3 season finale, Minì substituted for Prema's Ollie Bearman at the Azerbaijan F2 round. He finished on the podium in the sprint race in his first race in the car before crashing in the final stages of the feature race.

The Italian will continue with Prema in 2025, with whom he rekindled his alliance in 2024. He had previously won Italian F4 with the team in 2020. He joins the F2 team after they placed fifth in the teams' standings, their worst finish since 2019.

2025 PLANS

F2 with Prema Racing



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NIKOLA TSOLOV

MEMBER FROM 2023 TO 2024 | BULGARIA | 18

2024 IN BRIEF

F3
 ART Grand Prix
 P11, 75 points

Eurocup-3
 GRS Team
 P11, 47 points

Tsolov's second season in F3 was a rollercoaster, and inconsistency plagued him. While he only scored in seven races, he won three of them, including a feature race triumph in Hungary, and finished in the top six in the other four. In the drivers' standings, Tsolov finished 11th between teammates Laurens van Hoepen in 13th and Christian Mansell, also a second-year driver, in fifth.

Despite those promising results, Tsolov's season was marred by an incident with Alex Dunne in Australia in which he appeared to swerve intentionally into the Irishman's path in practice. Tsolov denied that the move and resulting collision were deliberate.

Tsolov also participated in five rounds of the Eurocup-3 championship with GRS Team, finishing 11th with one podium. Notably, his participation in the rain-affected season opener at Spa in April without the authorisation of the F3 promoter led him to be barred from F3's own round at the Belgian venue three months later.

For 2025, Tsolov will continue for a third season in F3 but will switch to Campos Racing and the Red Bull Junior Team, with a title charge surely the aim. In doing so, the 18-year-old Fernando Alonso protégé will leave the Alpine Academy, with which he was affiliated for three years.

2025 PLANS

F3 with Campos
 Racing; leaving Alpine
 Academy and joining
 Red Bull Junior Team



SOPHIA FLOERSCH

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2024 IN BRIEF

F3
Van Amersfoort
Racing
P29, 0 points

Floersch entered her third F3 season with a point to prove. The German driver moved to Van Amersfoort Racing after a season with PHM in which she became the first female points scorer in the current iteration of F3. But in 2024, she was unable to score points, with a best finish of 11th in the Spielberg feature race in a season that proved to be a struggle.

The 24-year-old will move stateside in 2025 to compete in Indy NXT with HMD Motorsports. While nothing has yet been announced, she is not expected to continue with the Alpine Academy programme.

2025 PLANS

Indy NXT with HMD
Motorsports



NICOLA LACORTE

MEMBER SINCE 2023 | ITALY | 17

Italian F4 race winner Lacorte, who joined the Alpine Academy in December 2023, stepped up to FRegional competition after having finished ninth in both Italian F4 and Euro 4 in 2023. Racing with Trident, Lacorte could only finish 21st in the drivers' standings with three points. Within the team, he was soundly beaten by both Roman Bilinski and Michael Belov, Bilinski's replacement while he recovered from injury, and was level on points with Ruiqi Liu.

Lacorte also finished 10th in a partial FR Oceania campaign, winning race two at Hampton Downs.

In 2025, Lacorte will join DAMS in F3 for their debut season in the championship as he looks to put his torrid FR Europe season behind him.

2024 IN BRIEF

FR Europe
Trident
P21, 3 points

FR Oceania
M2 Competition
P10, 130 points

2025 PLANS

F3 with DAMS

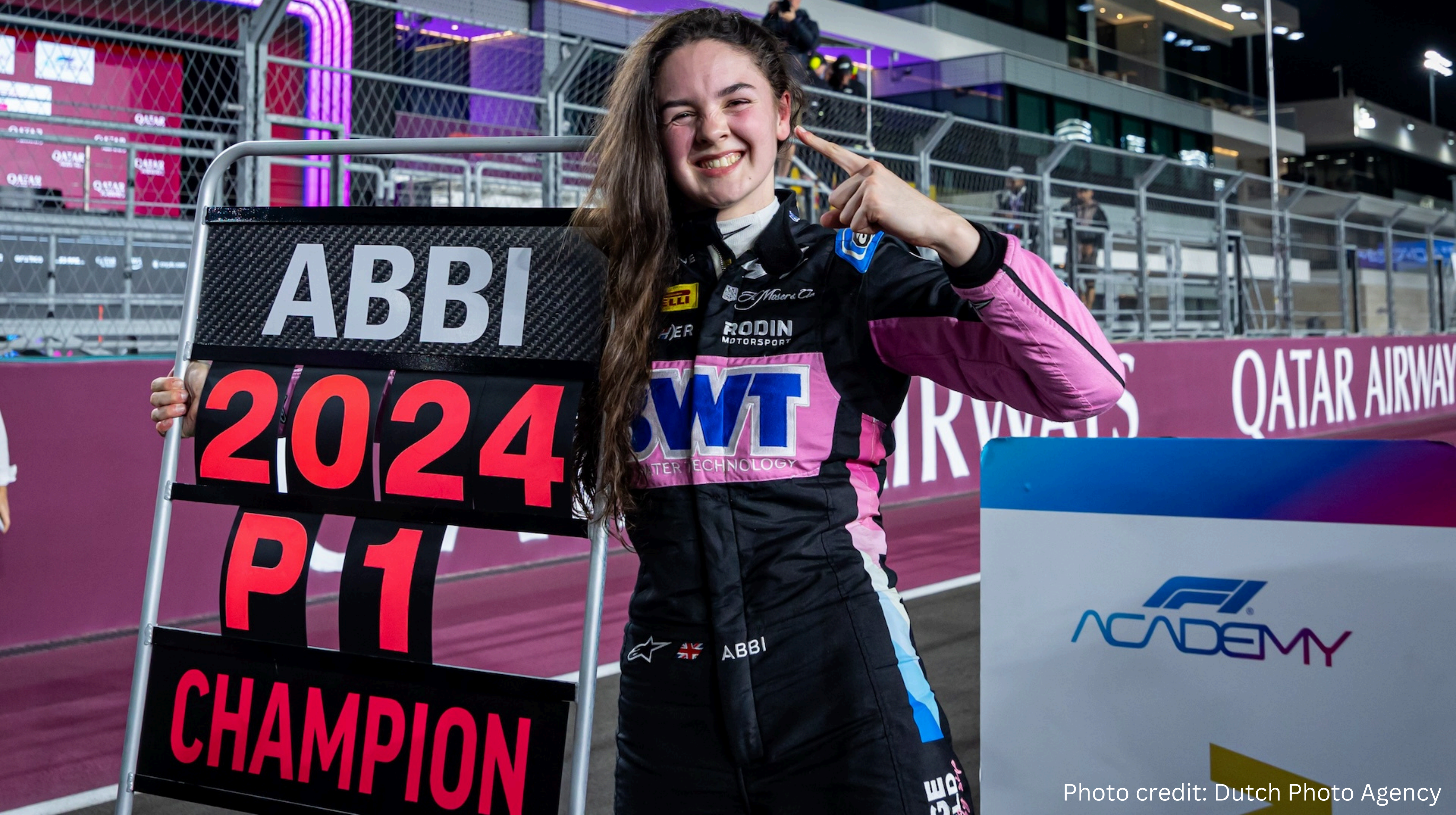


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ABBI PULLING

MEMBER SINCE 2023 | UNITED KINGDOM | 21

2024 IN BRIEF

F1 Academy
Rodin Motorsport
P1, 338 points

British F4
Rodin Motorsport
P7, 130 points

Pulling was undoubtedly the most successful Alpine junior of 2024, becoming the second F1 Academy champion. Racing for Rodin Motorsport, the British driver dominated the series, taking nine wins and 10 poles from 14 races and accumulating a margin of 121 points over Doriane Pin by the end of the season.

Pulling originally won the title with three races to spare in Qatar, but the cancellation of the second race and the addition of a new qualifying to the rescheduled race in Abu Dhabi meant that her title was technically not secured until after that weekend's qualifying session. Still, her winning was a formality long before the end of the season considering her form, which saw her finish on the podium in every single race.

Pulling also participated in British F4 in 2024, winning a reverse-grid race at Brands Hatch and finishing seventh with Rodin despite missing two rounds. She also took part in the all-female Formula E test at Jarama, leading the way by three tenths over Jamie Chadwick.

As a prize for winning the F1 Academy title, she earned a fully funded seat with Rodin in GB3 for the 2025 season.

2025 PLANS

GB3 with Rodin Motorsport

KEAN NAKAMURA-BERTA

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Nakamura-Berta competed in his first full year of car racing in 2024. With Alpine support, he raced in three championships, finishing in the top six in each of them.

His best championship result was second in F4 UAE with the Prema-run Mumbai Falcons team. He took two wins and five further podiums to finish just four points away from champion and teammate Freddie Slater.

Racing with Prema during the main part of the year, the 17-year-old finished sixth in Italian F4 and third in Euro 4, in which he claimed the rookie title.

Nakamura-Berta will continue with Prema in both Italian F4 and the renamed E4 in 2025, though it is uncertain whether he will retain Alpine support. The press release accompanying the announcement of his 2025 programme on Friday made no reference to Alpine.

2024 IN BRIEF

Italian F4
Prema Racing
P6, 170 points

Euro 4
Prema Racing
P3, 97 points

F4 UAE
Mumbai Falcons
Racing Limited
P2, 168 points

2025 PLANS

Italian F4 and E4 with Prema



KABIR ANURAG

MEMBER SINCE 2024 | SINGAPORE | 17

2024 IN BRIEF

Italian F4

US Racing
P20, 10 points

Euro 4

US Racing
P18, 4 points

Formula Trophy

UAE

Xcel Motorsport
P3, 80 points

Formula Winter

Series

US Racing
P14, 25 points

2025 PLANS

TBA

Anurag joined the Alpine Academy in April 2024 and, like Nakamura-Berta, competed in both Italian F4 and Euro 4 for US Racing. The Singaporean driver finished 20th and 18th respectively in those series, with a best finish of sixth at Barcelona in Italian F4.

Anurag also competed in two series outside of the main European season. At the start of 2024, he raced in Formula Winter Series with US Racing, finishing 14th in the standings and recording a best finish of fifth in both race two at Aragon and the final race of the season at Barcelona.

Anurag took his best results of the year in Formula Trophy UAE, which took place in November and December. He finished third in the drivers' standings with Xcel Motorsport, only behind Kai Daryanani and Rashid Al Dhaheri, and won two races.

Anurag is expected to return to compete in multiple F4 championships again in 2025. He has continued to test F4 machinery with US Racing during the off-season.

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FRANCO COLAPINTO

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2024 IN BRIEF

F1

Williams Racing
P19, 5 points

F2

MP Motorsport
P9, 96 points

Argentine driver Colapinto had an accelerated path to F1 and knew how to impress straight away. Replacing the struggling Sargeant from the Italian Grand Prix onwards, Colapinto did exactly what Williams was hoping for. Not only did the 21-year-old achieve something Sargeant couldn't in 2024 by scoring points on two occasions – at the Azerbaijan Grand Prix and at the United States Grand Prix – but he also beat experienced teammate Alexander Albon in qualifying on multiple occasions.

Prior to earning a full-time F1 seat, Colapinto made his free practice one debut with Williams at the British Grand Prix in 2024.

Having raced in F3 in 2023 and finished fourth overall with two wins, Colapinto made his F2 debut with MP Motorsport at Abu Dhabi in 2023. He continued with MP in 2024 for what was intended to be a full F2 season, the highlights of which were a win in the Imola sprint race and his two second-place finishes in the Barcelona and Spielberg feature races.

When Colapinto left F2 to take over Sargeant's F1 seat, he was sixth in the championship with 96 points, 69 behind then-championship leader Isack Hadjar. He ended up ninth in the standings despite missing the final four rounds.

Colapinto's 2025 plans are unknown at this point.

2025 PLANS

TBA



ZAK O'SULLIVAN

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Back in November 2023, O'Sullivan made his F1 free practice debut at the Abu Dhabi Grand Prix. In doing so, he became the first driver to participate in an F1 free practice session and race in the current iteration of F3 in the same year, but his dream of taking over Logan Sargeant's seat was short-lived.

F2 rival Colapinto got the nod over him for the Italian Grand Prix weekend, which was also O'Sullivan's last in F2.

While no official reason was given for the premature end to his rookie season, Williams sporting director Sven Smeets said in an interview with Motorsport.com that there had been a conflict between O'Sullivan and ART Grand Prix, the Briton's F2 team, that did not involve Williams.

The highlight of O'Sullivan's season until that point was by a lucky weekend in Monaco, where being on the alternate strategy and having a well-timed late virtual safety car intervention helped him win the feature race from 15th on the grid. A further sprint race win followed at Spa-Francorchamps, though a red flag after five laps because of heavy rain meant that only partial points were awarded. He scored on only five other occasions and finished the season 16th in the standings.

O'Sullivan participated in the Super Formula rookie test at Suzuka with Kondō Racing in December and earned a race seat with the Toyota-powered team for the Japanese series' 2025 season. Whether he remains in the Williams academy is unknown.

2024 IN BRIEF

F2

ART Grand Prix
P16, 59 points

2025 PLANS

Super Formula with
Kondō Racing



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LUKE BROWNING

MEMBER SINCE 2023 | UNITED KINGDOM | 22

2024 IN BRIEF

F2
ART Grand Prix
P26, 7 points

F3
Hitech GP
P3, 128 points

Browning, the 2022 GB3 champion and 2023 Macau Grand Prix winner, completed his second full season of F3 with Hitech GP in 2024. With two feature race wins at Bahrain and Spielberg, Browning was a championship contender until the final race at Monza, which he entered seven points behind Trident's Leonardo Fornaroli.

While Fornaroli and fellow rival Mini started up front, Browning had to start the race from 14th position, and an incident on the third lap dropped him to the back of the field and put paid to his championship hopes. Still, he ended the year third with 128 points, making him the first Hitech driver to finish in the top three in the F3 drivers' standings.

Browning took over O'Sullivan's ART F2 seat for the final three rounds of 2024. Making his debut on a street circuit in Baku, Browning finished 11th in the sprint race and seventh in the feature. Those were his first six points in the series, while a further three came from a sixth-place finish in the sprint race at the final round of the season in Abu Dhabi.

Browning ended 2024 by driving the Williams FW46 in free practice one at the Abu Dhabi Grand Prix – his F1 weekend debut – and at the following week's post-season test, also at Yas Marina.

In 2025, Browning will continue racing in F2 and return to Hitech. He is expected to remain a Williams junior.

2025 PLANS

F2 with Hitech GP



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ALESSANDRO GIUSTI

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2022 French F4 champion Giusti impressed in FRegional Europe in 2023 by taking three wins and an additional second-place finish with the unfancied G4 Racing and finishing sixth overall. His strong performances helped him secure a deal with ART Grand Prix for the 2024 season as well as membership in the Williams junior programme, which was announced in January 2024.

Unlike many of his rivals, Giusti did no other racing besides FR Europe in 2024. Still, the 18-year-old took two wins and five additional podiums en route to fourth in the drivers' standings.

In 2025, Giusti will step up to F3 with MP Motorsport. The Frenchman participated in both of F3's post-season tests at Jerez and Barcelona with the team earlier this year.

2024 IN BRIEF

FR Europe
ART Grand Prix
P4, 195 points

2025 PLANS

F3 with MP Motorsport



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LIA BLOCK

MEMBER SINCE 2023 | UNITED STATES | 18

2024 IN BRIEF

F1 Academy
ART Grand Prix
P8, 44 points

Italian F4
ART Grand Prix
P49, 0 points

Spanish F4
GRS Team
P36, 0 points

Formula Winter Series
GRS Team
P45, 0 points

Nitrocross (Group E)
Dreyer & Reinbold Racing
P8, 114 points

2025 PLANS

F1 Academy with
ART Grand Prix

Lia Block made her Formula 4 debut in 2024 after having previously competed in rallying. Her unusual career path raised questions about how well she would adapt to single-seaters, but her F1 Academy season turned out to be surprisingly strong.

Block began her year in the Formula Winter Series with the GRS outfit, finishing 45th out of 47 drivers overall after taking part in the first three of four rounds. That was preparation for her main F1 Academy campaign, which turned out to be much more successful. Racing with ART Grand Prix, she went on to finish eighth overall with 44 points, highlighted by two fourth-place finishes in Singapore.

Block also competed in two Spanish F4 rounds at Le Castellet and Portimão with GRS as well as the Italian F4 season finale at Monza, where she joined ART alongside F1 Academy teammate Bianca Bustamante. None of those appearances yielded points.

Block will remain a Williams junior in 2025 and will continue to race in F1 Academy with ART.

OLEKSANDR BONDAREV

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Bondarev's step to F4 was long awaited, as he was seen as Ukraine's most promising karter. When he joined the Williams academy in September 2023 off the back of winning the FIA's junior European karting title, he became the first Ukrainian ever to sign with an F1 team.

Bondarev turned 15 at the end of April, and his move to F4 finally happened in September with Prema Racing at the Barcelona Italian F4 round. He did not, however, score points in the two rounds at Barcelona and Monza in which he participated.

After the season concluded, Bondarev took part in several private F4 tests with Prema, AKM Motorsport and Storm Motorsport. Speaking to Feeder Series in June of this year, Williams sporting director Sven Smeets confirmed the team's plans for Bondarev to race in F4 Middle East and Italian F4 in 2025.

2024 IN BRIEF

Italian F4
Prema Racing
P30, 0 points

Karting (OK)
FIA Karting World Championship, P19
FIA Karting European Championship, P26
COTF Euro Series, P19
WSK Super Master Series, P2
WSK Champions Cup, P1

Karting (X30 Senior)
IAME Winter Cup, P31

2025 PLANS

Italian F4 with Prema Racing; F4 Middle East



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SARA MATSUI

MEMBER SINCE 2024 | JAPAN | 14

2024 IN BRIEF

Karting (OK)

FIA Karting World Championship, P76
COTF Euro Series, P116
WSK Final Cup, P42

Karting (OK-N Senior)

COTF Academy Program, P20

Karting (OKJ)

FIA Karting European Championship, P128
COTF Euro Series, P123

Karting (OK-N Junior)

COTF Academy Program, P20
WSK Super Master Series, P11
WSK Champions Cup, P6

2025 PLANS

Senior karting

Japanese karter Matsui joined the Williams Racing Driver Academy in January 2024, having just made the switch from Japanese to international karting at the end of 2023. The 14-year-old had support from the F1 Academy Discover Your Drive programme and competed in various championships this year, including the Champions of the Future Euro Series and the FIA Karting European Championship.

She stepped up from junior to senior karting ahead of the FIA Karting World Championship in September, in which she finished 76th. She will continue in the OK class in 2025.

DEAN HOOGENDOORN

MEMBER SINCE 2024 | NETHERLANDS | 12

2024 IN BRIEF

Karting (OKJ)

FIA Karting World Championship, P55
FIA Karting European Championship, P15
COTF Euro Series, P10
WSK Super Master Series, P11
WSK Euro Series, P6
WSK Champions Cup, P7
WSK Final Cup, P5

2025 PLANS

Junior karting

Williams announced the signing of 12-year-old karter Hoogendoorn in August 2024, during the F1 Dutch Grand Prix weekend. The Dutchman had a year of ups and downs beginning with the WSK Super Master Series, in which he finished third behind Red Bull junior Niklas Schaufler and McLaren junior Dries Van Langendonck.

Hoogendoorn competed in several other championships this year in the OK-Junior class. These included the Champions of the Future Euro Series, in which he finished 10th; the FIA Karting European Championship, in which he finished 15th; and the FIA Karting World Championship, in which he missed out on reaching the finals and was classified 55th. The highlight of his 2024 was winning the final race of the WSK Final Cup at Cremona and finishing fifth in the series' standings.

Hoogendoorn is expected to continue in junior karting next year.



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LUCAS PALACIO

MEMBER SINCE 2024 | UNITED STATES OF AMERICA | 10

2024 IN BRIEF

- Karting (Mini)**
COTF Academy Program, P9
WSK Euro Series, P16
WSK Final Cup, P10
- Karting (Mini U10)**
WSK Super Master Series, P2
WSK Champions Cup, P5
ACI Italian Karting Championship, P10

Palacio is Williams’ youngest and most recent addition to its driver academy, having joined in October 2024 at 10 years old.

After winning three Mini Swift national karting championships in 2023, Palacio made the switch to European karting this year. He raced in the Mini Gr3 under-10 60cc class of the WSK Super Master Series, in which he finished second overall, before taking fourth overall in the same class of the ACI Italian Karting Championship.

2025 PLANS

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THÉO POURCHAIRE

MEMBER FROM 2019 TO 2024 | FRANCE | 21

2024 IN BRIEF

Super Formula

Team Impul
P25, 0 points

IndyCar

McLaren
P28, 91 points

Pourchaire's career has stagnated somewhat since he won the F2 championship in his third season in the series last year. The Frenchman continued his role as reserve driver for Sauber, formerly Alfa Romeo, but did not participate in any F1 free practice sessions.

He was originally set to compete in a full season of Super Formula with Team Impul. In the first race, he finished last on the road.

In April, Pourchaire drove two races in IndyCar for McLaren in place of an injured David Malukas, finishing 11th on debut and 22nd in his second race. The team then announced that he would replace Malukas for the rest of the season, barring the Indy 500. As a consequence of that announcement, Pourchaire left his Super Formula seat for the remainder of the season.

Pourchaire's full-time McLaren ride lasted three races before he was replaced by Nolan Siegel. His best result was a top-10 finish in Detroit. Pourchaire later filled in for an injured Alexander Rossi in Toronto, finishing 14th in the race and 28th overall with 91 points across six appearances.

Pourchaire has not raced since. He will be leaving Sauber after this year and will take up the role of test and development driver for Peugeot's Hypercar project in the World Endurance Championship for 2025.

2025 PLANS

World Endurance
Racing test and
development driver
for Team Peugeot



ZANE MALONEY

MEMBER IN 2024 | BARBADOS | 21

After being dropped by Red Bull at the end of 2023, Maloney began this year by joining Sauber as an academy member and reserve driver. He split his Sauber reserve duties with those at Andretti's Formula E team.

The Barbadian driver got his F2 campaign off to a storming start by winning the sprint and feature race of the opening round in Bahrain. Maloney led the F2 championship for the first four rounds. During that span of time, he took two more podiums in the Melbourne feature race and Imola sprint.

Though he lost the lead after Monaco, he went on to have another standout weekend in Silverstone, finishing second in both races. His final podium of the season came from pole in the Monza feature race.

In September, Maloney signed a contract for a full-time Formula E seat with Lola Yamaha Abt for the 2024–25 season. The first round in São Paulo coincided with F2's final round in Abu Dhabi, which he skipped. The 21-year-old finished 12th in his first Formula E race start.

Now graduating from junior single-seaters for good, Maloney is also leaving the Sauber Academy.

2024 IN BRIEF

F2

Rodin Motorsport
P4, 140 points

2025 PLANS

Formula E with Lola
Yamaha Abt



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LÉNA BÜHLER

MEMBER FROM 2023 TO 2024 | SWITZERLAND | 27

2024 IN BRIEF

FR Europe
ART Grand Prix
P38, 0 points

Bühler graduated to FRegional Europe after finishing second with two wins and 13 total podiums in the inaugural F1 Academy season last year. The Swiss driver, however, was unable to find the same success in FR-level machinery.

Bühler joined ART Grand Prix for the 2024 season, taking advantage of the rule allocating a fourth seat for drivers who had finished in the top three of the F1 Academy championship. Across the first six rounds, she achieved a best result of 22nd in the second race at Circuit Paul Ricard. That turned out to be her last race in the series, as she announced her departure via Instagram ahead of round seven. She also parted ways with the Sauber Academy at that time.

In November, Bühler participated in the Formula E women's test with Mahindra Racing. She finished fifth on the timesheets, 1.018 seconds off the pace set by Abbi Pulling.

Bühler has yet to announce any racing plans for 2025.

2025 PLANS

TBA

CARRIE SCHREINER

MEMBER IN 2024 | GERMANY | 26

2024 IN BRIEF

F1 Academy
Campos Racing
P9, 34 points

British F4
Chris Dittmann Racing
P27, 8 points

F4 UAE
AGI Sport
P39, 0 points

Formula Winter Series
Campos Racing
P39, 0 points

NLS (SP 8T)
WS Racing
N/A, 0 points

Nürburgring 24 Hours (SP 8T)
WS Racing
P3

Ahead of the 2024 season, Sauber chose to support Schreiner in F1 Academy and added her to their junior programme. She started the year off with appearances in multiple winter series. The German driver finished 39th in F4 UAE with a best result of 21st across three rounds. In the Formula Winter Series, she also finished 39th with a best result of 17th across two rounds, although she only started four races.

Schreiner improved her championship position by two places in her second and final season of F1 Academy, finishing ninth overall with 34 points. She had a best result of sixth, which she achieved in Zandvoort and Abu Dhabi.

After the conclusion of the F1 Academy season, she confirmed via Instagram that she would remain with Sauber as a brand ambassador but had graduated from their junior team. Emma Felbermayr will take her place as the Sauber-supported driver in F1 Academy.

Next year, she will continue driving with her Nürburgring Langstrecken-Serie team, Girls Only by WS Racing. She is also targeting a return to GT3 competition.

2025 PLANS

NLS with WS Racing



TAYM SALEH

MEMBER SINCE 2023 | GERMANY | 15

2024 IN BRIEF

Karting (OK)

FIA Karting European
Championship, P35
COTF Euro Series, P64

The youngest member of the Sauber Academy at 15, Saleh competed in several karting championships this year at the OK level.

In the FIA European Karting Championship, Saleh finished 35th overall. He scored all four of his points in his super heat in Spain and managed a best final result of 24th in France. He did not participate in the final two rounds in Slovakia and Sweden.

In the Champions of the Future Euro Series, Saleh finished 64th overall. He had a best result of 24th in the fourth round in Sweden, the only round in which he made the final, and did not compete in the final round in the United Kingdom.

2025 PLANS

TBA

Saleh has not announced his plans for next year, and it is also unknown whether he will continue with the Sauber Academy. Regardless, he is now old enough to participate in a national F4 series and took part in the Winfield Racing School F4 training camp in September.