

GSX-R1000 [L1] SUZUKI



Guy made a rare appearance at an early season BSB event at Brands Hatch in preparation for the 2011 season, despite circuit racing no longer being an enjoyable experience for him.

There was no Superstock race at the International North West 200 in 2011, only the Supersport race where Guy finished eighth. The rest of the day was wiped out by rain, an oil spill and a bomb scare!

At the Isle of Man TT Guy secured a fine third place in the Royal London 360 Superstock race behind Michael Dunlop and John McGuinness with an average speed of 126.452mph. Guy led Dunlop by 1.69sec at the end of lap 1 and his fastest lap came on lap 4, 128.543mph. He was 4.27sec behind McGuinness at the chequered flag.

His final appearance on this machine was an exciting opening race at the Ulster Grand Prix. Having qualified on the front row in second place, he led the early part of the race before finishing a close second to Michael Dunlop after a titanic battle. Such was the pace of Dunlop and Martin, third placed man Gary Johnson was some 11 seconds adrift in the final podium spot. Guy's fastest lap was 127.693mph, only bettered by race winner Dunlop. Guy finished just 1.77sec behind Dunlop.

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Guy finished third on the Relentless Suzuki GSX-R1000 Superstock machine at the 2011 Isle of Man TT

PHILIP NEILL - TEAM PRINCIPAL:

“ This was Guy's first year with TAS Racing [Relentless Suzuki] and the GSX-R1000 was now into the third year of the new model. At that point we had developed a good understanding of the bike and were working hard to overcome a slight brake-horsepower [BHP] deficit and top speed to some of our rival manufacturers. This model was smaller and lighter with more advanced electronics, but the change to a short-stroke, produced a higher revving but slightly less powerful engine – meaning the GSX-R was not the class leading package.



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Guy Martin [Eng]
- ▶▶ **SPECIFICATION:**
Superstock
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188 [Leo Vince bespoke exhaust system]
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Metzeler tyres
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K-Tech front & Showa Rear

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Relentless Energy
WORX Power Tools
Beacon Security
Red Torpedo
- ▶▶ **RESULT HIGHLIGHTS:**
2011 Isle of Man TT Superstock Race:
third place

2011 Ulster Grand Prix Superstock Race:
second place