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Team Great Britain take on the World

Being granted the opportunity to represent your country at your chosen sport is every competitor's dream and six of the country's top Supermoto racers will be living that dream at the Supermoto of Nations, Cahors, France on October 2/3. Team Great Britain and Team Great Britain Junior will each field a three-rider squad in a bid for glory at this annual Olympics of Supermoto. Team manager David Dearden has a large and talented pool of riders competing in the ACU British Supermoto Championships on which to base his selection to represent Team GB, which makes for some difficult and challenging decisions. Both senior and junior teams have recently been named after giving careful consideration with the ultimate aim to return Team GB with the best advantage to claim a podium finish.

Multi-British champion and World Championship regular Matthew Winstanley (Silicone Engineering) is the most experienced rider in the team having represented his country in all of Team GB's campaigns. Despite not having his best BSMC season to date, Matt is a true World-class rider and he will be keen to get to grips with his Honda CRF450-R, the first time he has raced Japanese machinery since his schoolboy MX days. David Hartley (Heavy Duty Forklifts KTM) and Skyzone Racing's Chris Hodgson also have plenty of World Championship experience in this tough high-speed part tarmac/part dirt bike sport and Team GB will be out to challenge for the coveted Supermoto of Nations trophy. The current champions Germany won't want to relinquish their crown without a fight but the strong Team Italia and Team France squads are probably hot favourites for the trophy.

The Team GB junior squad for riders under 21 is led by Lee Williams (Willo Racing KTM) who has also raced for the team at Pleven, Bulgaria 2008 and is currently running third in the British Open Championship. Joining Lee is Swanley's Ben Robb (Drilltech KTM) who is hoping to be bike fit following a nasty crash in June. An on-form Ben is a tough competitor, his 2010 highlight being a second place at the Silverstone Motard Masters which shows he has the speed to run with the best. At 17-years old the youngest team member Lewis Cornish (Nameplate Services MWR KTM) is strangely also the most experienced junior rider when it comes to international competition. He hopes his time spent racing in the USA and Australia as well as Europe will pay dividends at Cahors. Supporting Team GB are first reserve riders Richard Blakeman (Skyzone Racing) and junior rider Ryan Dixon (Drilltech Racing) who will be making the long trip south in case they get the final call up.

Team manager David Dearden explains his thoughts about the 2010 Supermoto of Nations. *"Having managed the British Team in 2006, 2007 and 2008 I have to say that this will go down in my memory as some of the very best times I've had in Motorsport, I might be a bit simple minded but representing your country is a real thrill for me and also for the riders. Choosing the team from such a strong domestic championship wasn't straightforward but I feel as though both GB teams have the best riders available in which to succeed at this very high level of competition. Although it will be difficult to get on the podium, I've no doubt that these riders will all give 100% effort in their bid for glory"*

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Celebrating success with a podium finish in 2006 Christian Iddon, Matt Winstanley, Sam Warren and Team Manager Dave Dearden

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