



### James Stewart, #7

Birth Date: December 21, 1982  
Residence: Haines City, Fla.  
Turned Pro: 2002

The 2009 Monster Energy® Supercross season will mark the first day of a new job for James Stewart. Stewart, the 2007 AMA Supercross class champion, left the factory Kawasaki race team after seven years of service and will campaign this year's championship under the L&M Racing Yamaha team. "I think change is good; it will be different look, but I know they have the same drive that I have," said Stewart. They want to win just as bad as I do, so working together with them is going to be great. I'm sure we'll raise some eyebrows this season." In the modern era of racing, Stewart is the only rider to win every major championship. He missed the 2008 Monster Energy® Supercross season because of a knee injury but returned to contest in the AMA Motocross championships where he won the championship and turned in a perfect season, winning all 24 motos.

#### Notables:

- 2008 AMA Motocross champion
- 2007 AMA Supercross champion
- 2004 AMA Motocross Lites champion
- 2004 AMA Supercross Lites Eastern Regional champion
- 2003 AMA Supercross Lites Western Regional champion

### Chad Reed, #1

Birth Date: March 15, 1982  
Residence: Dade City, Fla.  
Turned Pro: 2002

Chad Reed will stage his AMA Supercross class title defense in this year's Monster Energy® Supercross championship. Ranked third on the all-time AMA Supercross class win list with 35, Reed brings a wealth of big class experience to the table. Most impressive is his ability to string together consistent seasons. During his seven years of supercross racing, he has never missed a main event. Reed's will was epitomized last year in Detroit when he suffered a nasty crash in practice, which broke his scapula, and raced the main event to salvage points. Reed spent only one year in the AMA Supercross Lites class, where he won the championship, before moving to the premier class. As a rookie in the premier class he finished second overall and earned eight main event wins. Not only did he adjust well to the big class, he won the last six consecutive races of the season and almost defeated supercross great Ricky Carmichael. "I'm really looking forward to working with RC. He has been and done what we all wish we could do. It will be different though, I'm really excited about it."

#### Notables:

- 2008 AMA Supercross champion
- 2004 AMA Supercross champion
- 2002 AMA Supercross Lites Eastern Regional champion
- 2000 Australian Supercross champion



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### Kevin Windham, #14

Birth Date: February 28, 1978  
Residence: Centerville, Miss.  
Turned Pro: 1994

Veteran Kevin Windham got a taste of what it's like to battle for a championship in 2008 and is surely looking for more. The GEICO Powersports Honda rider compiled the best season of his AMA Supercross class career and took eventual champion Chad Reed to the wire. As one of the oldest riders on the circuit, Windham has only gotten better with age and possesses the ability to use his years of experience to his advantage in overcoming the younger competition.

#### Notables:

- 1997 AMA Supercross Lites Western Regional champion
- 1996 AMA Supercross Lites Western Regional champion



Competing in the premier AMA Supercross class is the ultimate goal of any professional supercross racer. Regarded as the world's most prestigious off-road motorcycling championship, riders come from around the world to contest for the coveted AMA Supercross class championship. These four veterans will do their best to keep the most recent addition to the class, Ryan Villopoto, from winning the championship.

### Tim Ferry, #15

Birth Date: March 18, 1975  
Residence: Dade City, Fla.  
Turned Pro: 1991

Tim Ferry, who enters his 19th year of professional racing in 2009, finished a career best third place overall in AMA Supercross class points standings in 2007. Last year he finished sixth overall and enjoyed six podium finishes. An accomplished veteran, Ferry, who will turn 34 this season, is still looking for his first AMA Supercross class win. Ferry's proven that his age has not slowed him down and that first-ever win may be attainable this season. "I think I'm getting stronger as I get older. I've been in the sport a long time and I've gone through a lot of changes. I've always worked with a trainer and he says being in my early 30's is an advantage. So I think that has helped with my success the last couple of years. Being with Kawasaki also helps; the team is like a family and that helps to get good results."

#### Notables:

- 1997 AMA Supercross Lites Eastern Regional champion



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