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BMW MOTORRAD MOTORSPORT and OrangeCat Racing Announce the new OrangeCat BMW MOTORRAD Racing Team for the 2026 MotoAmerica Superbike Race Season.

Woodcliff Lake, NJ – December 9, 2025 ... BMW Motorrad Motorsport and BMW Motorrad USA are proud to announce that OrangeCat Racing becomes an official BMW MOTORRAD MOTORSPORT Team for the 2026 MotoAmerica Superbike racing season.

The 2026 rider lineup includes 2021 MotoAmerica Supersport Champion Sean Dylan Kelly and returning rider Jayson Uribe.

The newcomer to the team, Kelly, has had a prolific motorcycle roadracing career. In addition to his 2021 title, he finished runner-up in the Supersport Class in 2020, raced in FIM Moto2 for two seasons and recorded his first MotoAmerica Superbike win aboard a BMW in 2024.

Uribe returns to OrangeCat Racing after an eight-podium season last year, finishing third in the 2025 Stock 1000 standings. After racing overseas for several years, Uribe joined OrangeCat Racing in 2024, where he finished runner-up in the Stock 1000.

"This partnership brings together two organizations united by a passion for performance and racing excellence. The entire OrangeCat team, from the riders to the engineers and mechanics, has been absolutely first class ambassadors for our brand and for the greater motorcycle community. We are excited about our future as we continue showcasing the

winning capabilities of the BMW M 1000 RR in North America's premier Superbike championship." said **Kevin Philips, Head of BMW Motorrad, Americas.**

Chicago-based OrangeCat Racing and BMW Motorrad began competing with the BMW M 1000 RR in MotoAmerica's Stock 1000 class in 2023 and achieved immediate success. In three seasons, OrangeCat Racing brought home 10 wins and 33 podiums, including a 2nd place finish with Kaleb DeKeyrel in 2023, 2nd place with Jayson Uribe in 2024, and both a 3rd place finish with Jayson Uribe and a championship with Andrew Lee in 2025.

After three very successful years in Stock 1000, OrangeCat Racing will compete in MotoAmerica's top Superbike class with full factory backing and support from BMW Motorrad Motorsport.

"BMW has been key to our success over the years, and we're excited about what we can achieve with support from their team," said **Jeff Connors, Team Principal for OrangeCat Racing.** "The passion and work ethic BMW Motorrad Motorsport brings to the table day-in and day-out are infectious. We feel more than up to the challenge of Superbike with BMW's partnership."

"I'm super proud of our whole team for continuing to embrace any challenge thrown our way, and BMW has been an outstanding partner for all of us," said **Andrew Sieja, Founding Principal of OrangeCat Racing.** "We have a lot in common: from love of the sport, to a sense of adventure and trying new things, to striving for our best in anything we take on."

BMW M 1000 RR dominates global motorcycle racing in 2025.

The BMW M 1000 RR has been a global tour de force in 2025, capturing ten out of twenty national and world championships, including 164 race wins and an additional 225 podium finishes. In the U.S. BMW M-RR teams and riders captured both the MotoAmerica Stock 1000 and Superbike class Championships.

On the world stage, Turkish phenom Toprak Razgatlioglu, captured his second consecutive World Superbike Championship onboard his ROKiT BMW Motorrad WorldSBK Team M 1000 RR, winning twenty-one races in 2025.

Kenny Foray and the Tecmas BMW Motorrad France BMW M 1000 RR captured the French Superbike Championship, delivering fourteen podium finishes, twelve wins and eight pole positions.

At the 2025 Isle of Man TT, BMW M 1000 RR riders won the Superbike TT race while adding five additional podium finishes in three classes.

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