## GAME GEAR



### SEGA SPORTS

# GP RIDER

**INSTRUCTION MANUAL**

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**GA**
Appropriate for all audiences.
General Audiences

## EPILEPSY WARNING

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### Handling This Cartridge

- This Cartridge is intended exclusively for the Sega Game Gear™ System.

- Do not bend, crush or submerge in liquids.

- Do not leave in direct sunlight or near a radiator or other source of heat.

- Be sure to take an occasional recess during extended play.

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# Starting Up

1. Set up your Sega Game Gear System as described in its instruction manual. For two-player games, use the Gear-to-Gear™ Cable (sold separately) to connect the Game Gear units.

2. Make sure the power switch is OFF. Then insert the *GP Rider* cartridge into the Game Gear unit.

3. Turn the power switch ON. In a few moments, the *GP Rider* Title screen will appear.

4. If the Title screen doesn't appear, turn the power switch OFF. Make sure your system is set up correctly and the cartridge is properly inserted. Then turn the power switch ON again.

**Important:** Always make sure the power switch is turned OFF before inserting or removing the Sega cartridge.

**Note:** *GP Rider* is for one or two players.

Gear-to-Gear Cable Input                    Insert Sega Cartridge



### For Game Play Assistance, call
### 1-415-591-PLAY

# Today's Agenda



You wake up in a San Marino hotel. It's the ninth day of the Grand Prix. Yesterday's qualifying round went well and you're starting in third position. But with that inscrutable



Miguel on home ground and that maniac, Niall, ahead of you, it's going to be a tough battle to keep the five-point lead that you've battled to maintain around the globe.



It's a sunny morning. As you eat breakfast on the balcony, you think over which bike to use. With weather like this it could be worth sacrificing a little grip for acceleration. Your mind runs over the intricate hairpins of the course and you think again.

Slipping into your leathers, you try to remember the progression of curves. *Got to pull to the center out of that first bend.* You remember Niall's kamikaze blocking techniques that kept you in second in Spain. *But not too fast or I'll be stuck on his tail until the straight.* And then there's always the chance of aggravation from behind. So much to think about.



One last look in the mirror. It's time to prove yourself in the screaming, lightning-fast arena of the track.

# Take Control



**START BUTTON**

**DIRECTIONAL BUTTON**
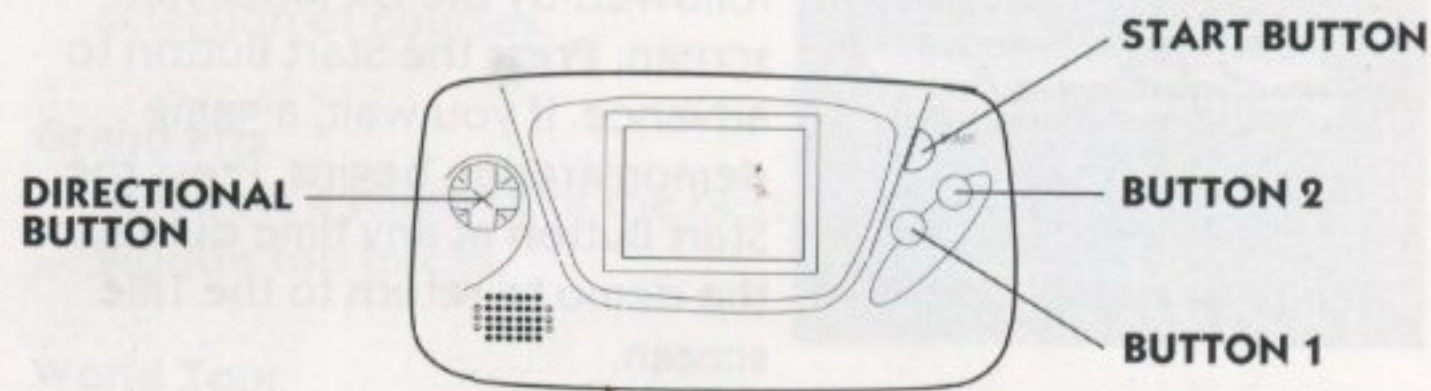
**BUTTON 2**

**BUTTON 1**

### Start Button
- Pauses the game; resumes play when paused
- Makes selections in menu screens

### Directional Button (D-Button)
- Moves between choices in menu screens
- Steers your bike

### Button 1
- Controls accelerator
- Speeds progression of starting position display

### Button 2
- Controls brakes
- Speeds progression of starting position display

# Getting Started



After you turn on your Game Gear, the Sega logos appear, followed by the *GP Rider* Title screen. Press the Start Button to advance. If you wait, a game demonstration begins. Press the Start Button at any time during the demo to return to the Title screen.

You are offered a one- or two-player game. Use the D-Button to move between these options



and then press the Start Button to enter your choice. To select a two-player game, two Game Gear units must be connected with a Gear-to-Gear Cable. (For more on two-player games, see page 14.)



Next you see the Game Menu. There are four modes you can select.

## Arcade

Try four laps of the *GP Rider* arcade course.

## Tournament

Tailor your own tournament of up to 14 races from a selection of courses.
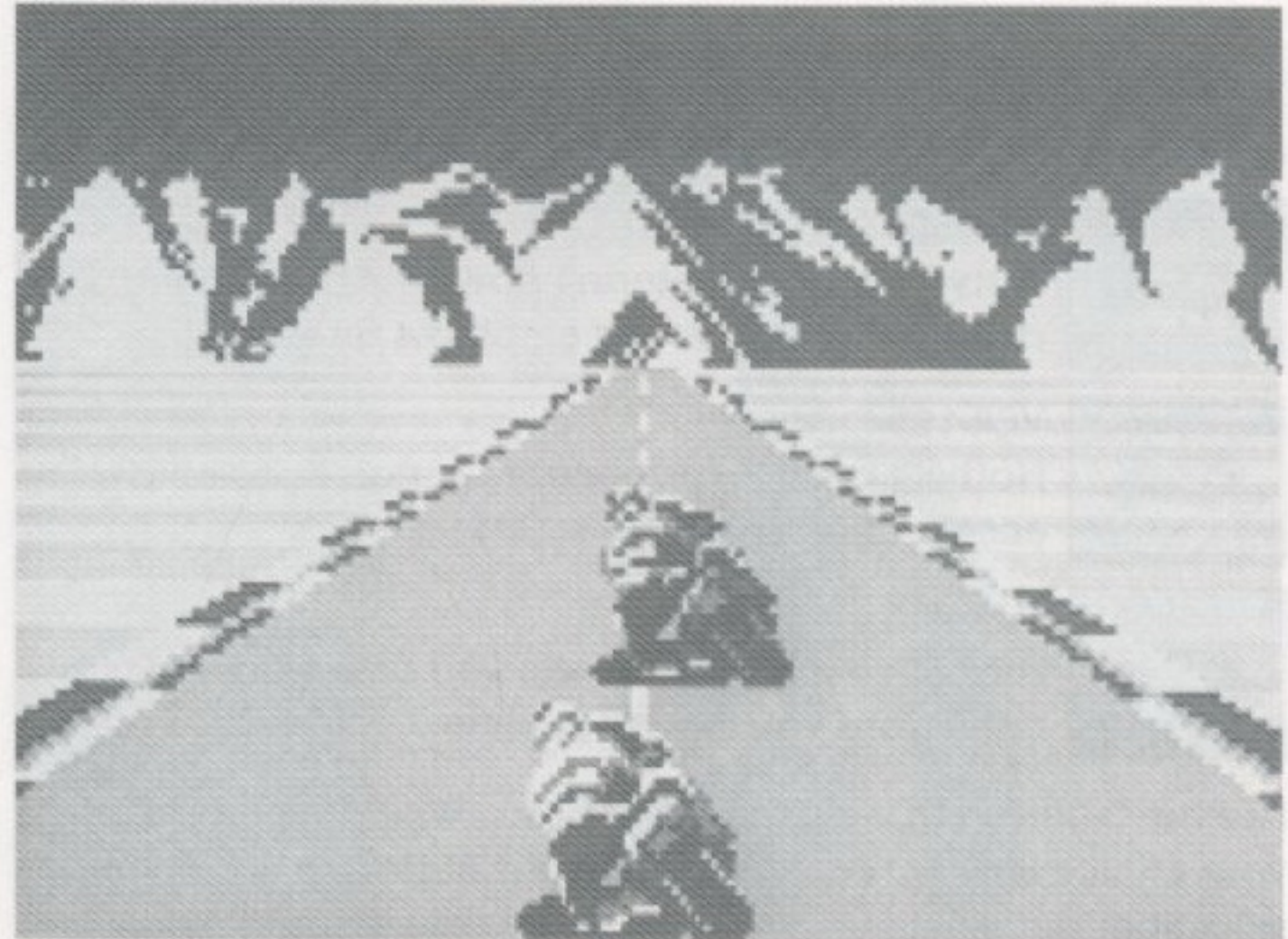
## Grand Prix

Compete against 15 of the best riders in a tour of the world's top tracks.

## World Tour

Battle against the clock in four road races, spanning Africa, Europe, the Americas, and Asia and Oceania.

Use the D-Button to select the mode you want to play, then press the Start Button to continue.

# Before You Race

Preparation is half the battle. Before you hit the track, there are various data to be considered and important decisions to be made.

## Track Data

The Track Data screen gives you information on track conditions. Included are a layout diagram of the course, its length, the number of laps, and the current weather conditions. Press the Start Button to exit this screen.
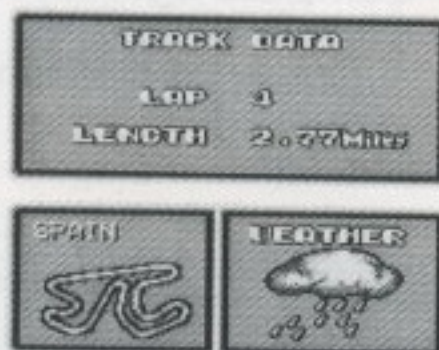


## Machine Select

Your choice of motorcycle is vital to your performance. There are three models available in the Machine Select screen.


### RGP-500
A stylish model featuring powerful torque and designed with a strong emphasis on safety


### VCR-125
Nothing beats it for traction, although it has low acceleration and lacks safety


### NZR-250
Nice all-round bike to help you deal with any conditions you may encounter

Use the D-Button to view the three bikes. When the model of your choice is on screen, press the Start Button to enter your selection.

## Qualifying Lap and Starting Positions

Starting positions are determined by your performance in a solo qualifying round. You start when the light turns green. Monitor your progress on the clock at the top of the screen. (The clock counts down.)

After the Qualifying Lap, the starting lineup is shown. The faster you were, the closer to the front you will start. Hurry through the starting position display by pressing Button 1 or Button 2.
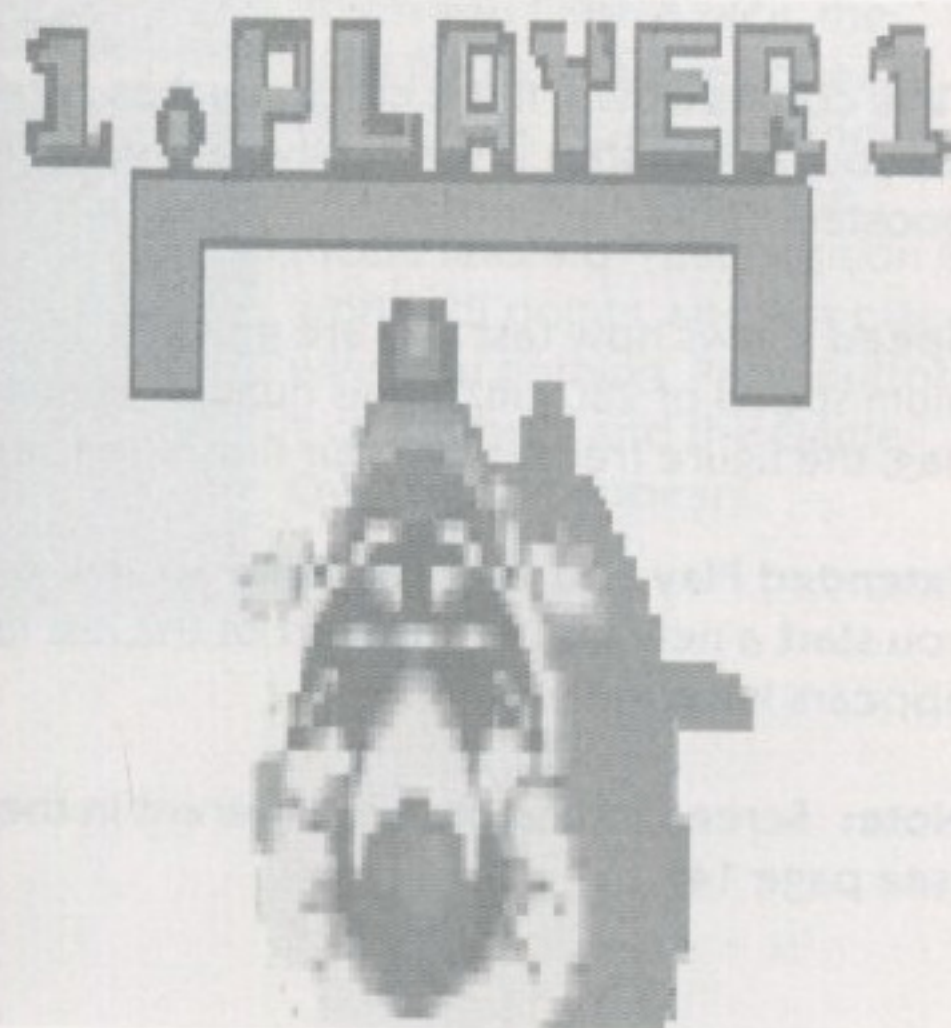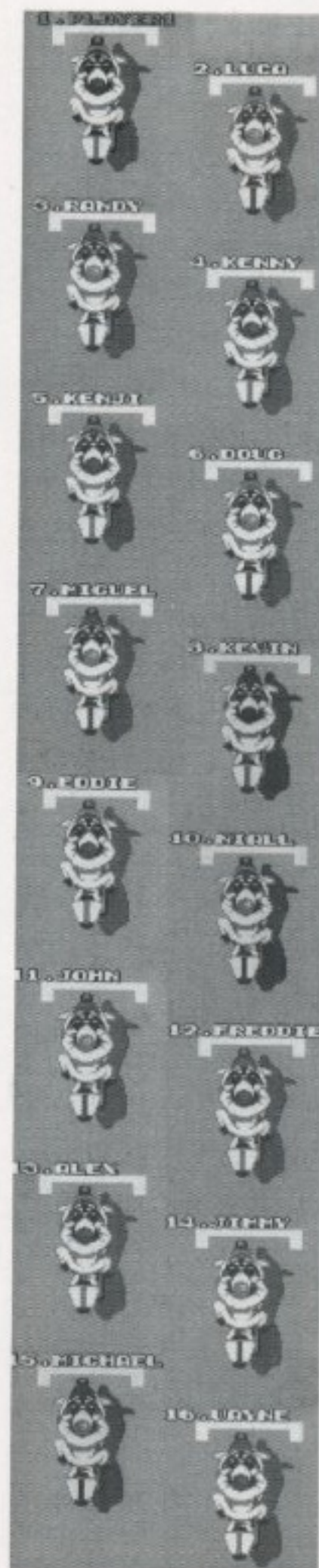
# The Racing Screen



As you race, there are several indicators on the screen for you to monitor your progress.

**Rank** shows you your position in the race. The number decreases by one when you pass another rider and increases if someone overtakes you. Later in the race, there may be riders who are not on the same lap as you, so they will not affect your rank. This indicator is blank during the qualifying lap.

**Lap** tells you the number of laps remaining, including your current lap.

**Time** counts down. If the clock reaches zero, the race is over for you. At the start of each new lap, your time remaining is boosted.

**Speed** shows how fast you are going. If you attain the maximum speed of 280 km/h, this number flashes. At the checkered flag, the figure freezes on your finishing speed.

**Extended Play** and your **Lap Time** appear on the screen when you start a new lap. At the start of the last lap, **Final Lap** appears instead.

**Note:** Screen indicators are different in the World Tour mode (see page 14).

# Racing for Real

## *Arcade*

When you select Arcade from the Game Menu, you will see the Track Data screen. Press the Start Button to advance to Machine Select. Select a bike to go to the Qualifying Lap. When the Qualifying Lap is over and you have seen the Starting Position



display, the Track Data screen reappears followed by Machine Select. You can change your choice of motorcycle based on new weather conditions or on your experience from the Qualifying Lap.
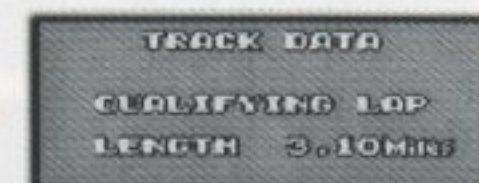


When you finish a race, the Final Positions table appears. This assigns points depending on the order in which the racers finished. First position is worth 25 points, and last place wins you nothing. Press Button 1 or Button 2 and the Game Over screen appears.

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## Tournament



If you opt for Tournament, you proceed to the Tournament Select screen. Here you can tailor your own series of up to 14 races on courses from around the world. Press the D-Button up and down to move the arrow through the list of tracks and press the Start Button to highlight your selections. As the arrow moves, the track data screen is displayed (layout, number of laps and length). Australia, the first venue, is compulsory.

If you change your mind, move the arrow back to a highlighted track and press the Start Button to deselect it. When you are satisfied with the lineup, press the D-Button right to move the arrow to EXIT, and press the Start Button to go to the Track Data for the first race. The subsequent game play is the same as for Arcade.

When you finish a race, the Final Positions table appears. This gives the order in which the racers finished, and assigns points for the race.

Press Button 1 or Button 2 and the Points Table appears. This shows the order of competitors in the Tournament so far and their current point totals.



Press Button 1 or Button 2 to proceed to the Track Data for the next race. Following the Points Table of the final race of the Tournament, the Game Over screen appears.

## Grand Prix

Grand Prix is a tournament of all 14 races. Following the Game Menu, you go straight to the Track Data screen for the first track, Australia. Thereafter, game play is identical to Tournament.

## World Tour

Pick World Tour from the Game Menu, and Machine Select is followed by the Race Select screen. There are four road races available, of varying length and difficulty.



| REGION | LEVEL | STAGES |
|---------|----------|--------|
| Africa | Beginner | 6 |
| Asia | Junior | 10 |
| Americas | Senior | 14 |
| Europe | Expert | 18 |

Use the D-Button to highlight different regions and press the Start Button to make your decision. There is a timer ticking away at the bottom of the screen. If it hits zero, the action begins in the region that is flashing.

The racing screen is different from the other game modes. Speed and time function much the same. Whenever you complete a stage, you're given a time extension and your Lap Time.

Your score gradually increases as you progress. This is reinforced visually with a bar showing how far you've come and how far is left to the end of the race. You can also see at a glance which stage of which race you are currently in.

If you run out of time, the Game Over screen appears. But stay ahead through to the bitter end and the message "Goal In!" appears, and you are given your total time for the race. Press Button 1 or Button 2 to return to the Sega logo.

## Two on the Track

For two-player action, you each need a Game Gear unit and a *GP Rider* cartridge and you need a Gear-to-Gear Cable to connect the units. Ensure power to both the units is off, then insert the cartridges as described on page 2. Plug one end of the Gear-to-Gear Cable into each Game Gear unit and then turn the power to both units on.
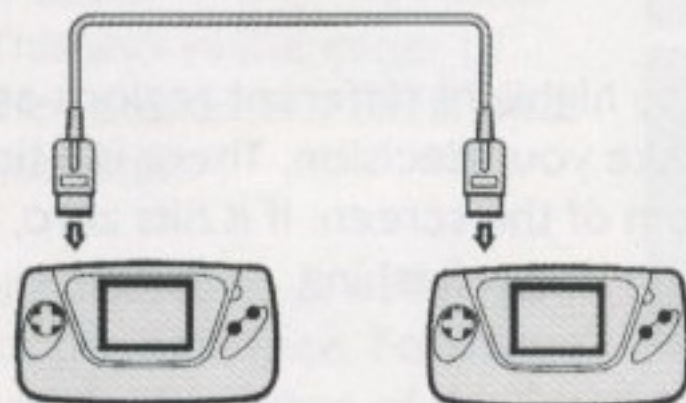


After the Sega logo, select Two Player. In the Game Menu, select World Tour for two-player interaction. Either Player One or Player Two can make menu decisions. At Machine Select, you each choose your own bike. These can be the same, for an equal test of skill, or you can opt for different machines.

When the Race Select screen appears, either of you can decide which region you will tackle. You start the race side-by-side, and you have the roads to yourselves in a two-player duel. When your opponent is behind you, you cannot see him or her. But you can monitor your relative progress by the bars on the left of the screen. The game play and other screen indicators are the same as for a one-player World Tour.



The winner, of course, is the first across the line. Or the only one if one of you doesn't make the distance. When the game is over, you will be given the "You Win" or "You Lose" message. Press the Start Button to return to the Sega Logo.
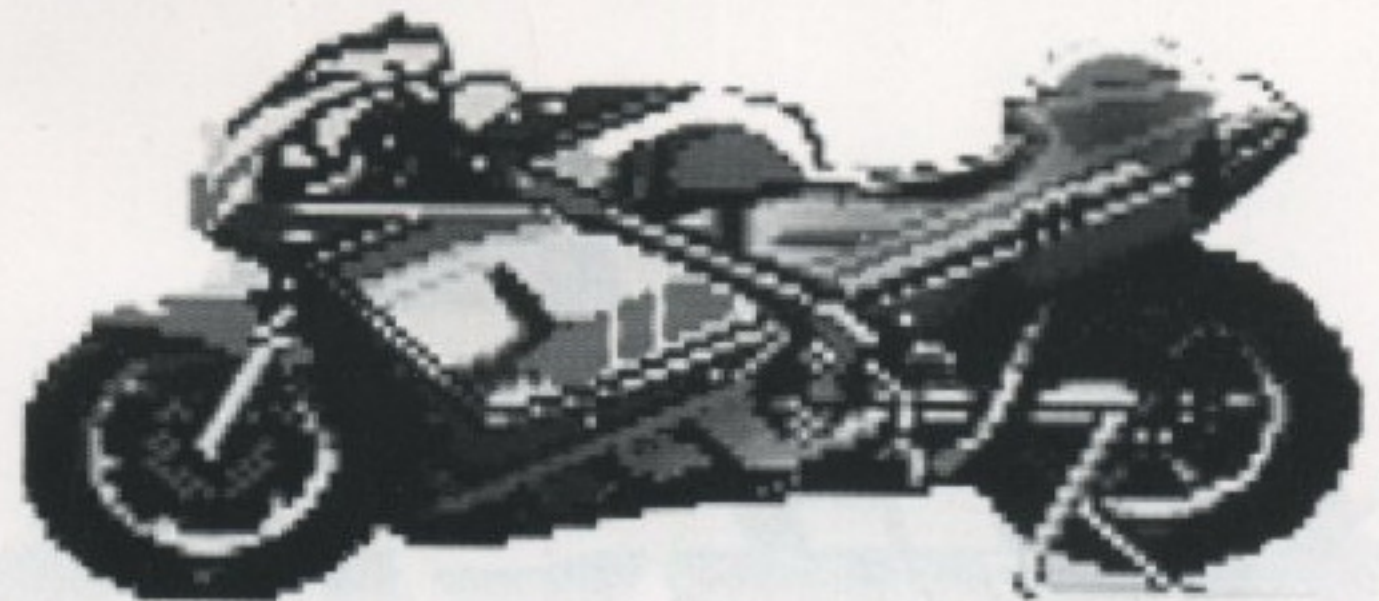
## Words of Advice

Last night, you and the other racers took a chance to relax in the lobby. Naturally enough, the conversation tended to turn toward bikes and racing. In particular, it served as a good opportunity to pick up some tips from the other racers from their experiences down on the track. You jotted down a few things that you heard.

"Until I get to know a course well, I like to stick to the center of the track. That way I can safely make any turns that suddenly creep up," said Wayne.

"A good start is vital. Make sure of a key position in the qualifying lap and then focus on keeping your lead," was Miguel's opinion.

"If the track has some good straights, then make sure that your bike has the acceleration needed. As long as you hold your own on the bends, you can creep up in the ranking on the straights," concluded Randy.

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