Dennis quits McLaren F1

VODAFONE McLAREN MERCEDES

Ron Dennis (right) with protege and 2008 F1 champion Lewis Hamilton

- **June 1, 1947:** Born in Woking, UK

- **1966-71:** Joins *Cooper F1* at age 18 before moving to *Brabham*

- **1971:** Founds *Rondel Racing* F2 team – later renamed *Project Three*

- **1979:** *Project Four* enjoys wins in F2 and F3 with *Marlboro* backing

- **1981:** Takes over *McLaren* F1 team, introduces revolutionary *MP4/1* car

- **1984:** Claims first of 10 Drivers' and seven Constructors' titles

1988 MP4/4 – most successful F1 car

- **2007:** Chief designer *Mike Coughlan* found guilty of obtaining secret data from *Ferrari* – McLaren stripped of all points and fined $100m

- **2009, Jan:** Dennis passes role of team principal to *Martin Whitmarsh*

- **Apr 16: Stands down from all involvement in F1 racing amid ongoing fallout from lying scandal at Australian Grand Prix**