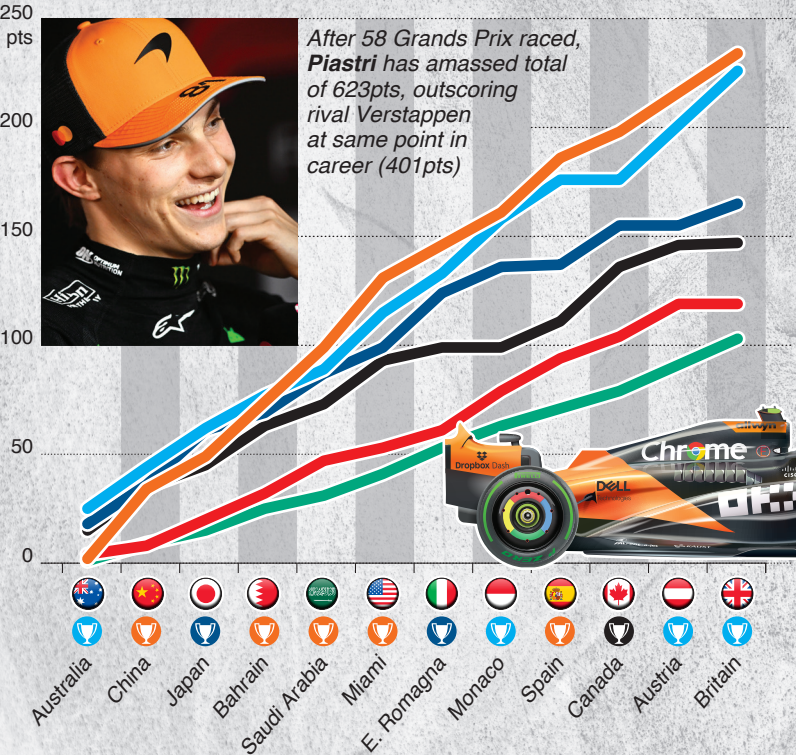
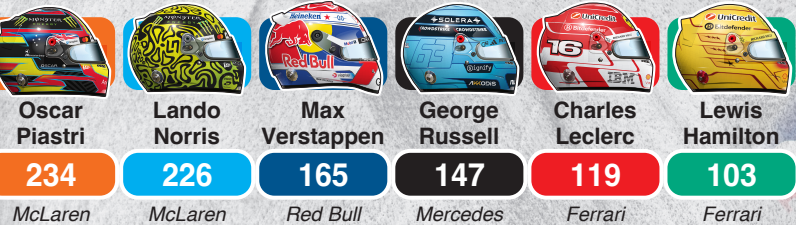


Mekies launches new Red Bull era

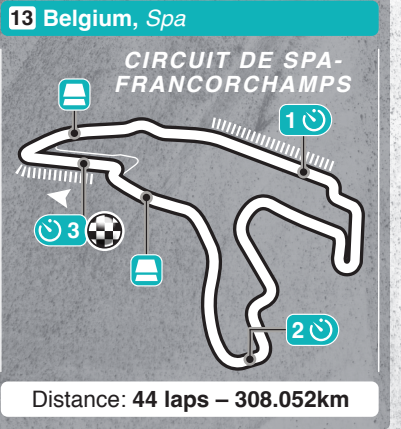
Following the departure of Christian Horner as team principal and CEO, new boss **Laurent Mekies** (right) enters the Red Bull paddock for the first time in Belgium. At the halfway point of a thrilling campaign, Lando Norris – after successive race victories – has closed the gap on his McLaren teammate Oscar Piastri to just eight points

DRIVERS' CHAMPIONSHIP (points accumulated over 2025 season)



MEKIES PROFILE

- **Apr 28, 1977**
Born in Tours, France
- **2000-02:** After graduating from acclaimed **ESTACA School** in Paris, starts career as engineer in Formula 3 before joining **Arrows F1 team**
- **2003-14:** Gains promotions at **Toro Rosso** (formerly Minardi)
- **2014:** Joins **FIA** as safety director
- **2018-23:** Appointed sporting director at **Ferrari** – securing seven race wins during tenure
- **2024-25:** Team Principal at **Racing Bulls**



REMAINING RACES

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|----------------|-----------|--------|--------------|-------------|--------|
| 13 Belgium | Spa | Jul 27 | 19 USA | Austin | Oct 19 |
| 14 Hungary | Budapest | Aug 3 | 20 Mexico | Mexico City | Oct 26 |
| 15 Netherlands | Zandvoort | Aug 31 | 21 Brazil | São Paulo | Nov 9 |
| 16 Italy | Monza | Sep 7 | 22 Las Vegas | Las Vegas | Nov 22 |
| 17 Azerbaijan | Baku | Sep 21 | 23 Qatar | Lusail | Nov 30 |
| 18 Singapore | Singapore | Oct 5 | 24 Abu Dhabi | Yas Marina | Dec 7 |