

# History of the Australian Grand Prix

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**1. Where does the 2016 F1 calendar kick off?**

- A) Monaco
- B) Melbourne**
- C) Adelaide
- D) Sydney

**2. How many times has the Australian GP been held at the Melbourne circuit by 2016?**

- A) 20
- B) 21**
- C) 19
- D) 18

**3. What is the significance of the Australian GP winner going on to be crowned World Champion?**

- A) It happens rarely
- B) It has happened eight times since 2002**
- C) It has only happened twice
- D) It has never happened

**4. When was the Australian GP officially added as a permanent track to the Formula One World Championship?**

- A) 1996
- B) 1985**
- C) 1998
- D) 1992

**5. Where did the Australian Grand Prix first start as an official F1 venue?**

- A) Albert Park
- B) Melbourne
- C) Adelaide**
- D) Sydney

**6. The Adelaide street circuit was often compared to which other famous F1 track?**

- A) Silverstone
- B) Spa-Francorchamps
- C) Monaco**
- D) Imola

**7. Which three-time world champion had an anti-climactic finish to his career at the Adelaide track?**

- A) Alain Prost
- B) Nelson Piquet
- C) Niki Lauda**
- D) Nigel Mansell

**8. In 1986, a three-way race for the driver's championship title occurred between which drivers at the Adelaide track?**

- A) Mansell, Prost, and Piquet**
- B) Senna, Prost, and Mansell
- C) Lauda, Piquet, and Senna
- D) Prost, Senna, and Lauda

**9. What happened to Nigel Mansell's car during the 1986 race that prevented him from winning the championship?**

- A) Engine failure
- B) Brake failure
- C) Tyre puncture**
- D) Collision with another car

**10. Which two drivers were involved in a spectacular and controversial crash in 1992 at the Australian GP?**

- A) Senna and Prost
- B) Mansell and Senna**
- C) Piquet and Mansell
- D) Lauda and Senna

**11. When did Ayrton Senna score his last ever F1 win at this track?**

- A) 1993**
- B) 1992
- C) 1991
- D) 1994

**12. In what year was the race moved to the Albert Park circuit?**

- A) 1998
- B) 1996**
- C) 1995
- D) 1997

**13. What unique title did Australia's GP take when it moved to Albert Park?**

- A) Most dangerous track
- B) First night race
- C) Only country to hold back-to-back Grand Prix**
- D) Longest race

**14. What controversy did McLaren face in 1998 at the Albert Park circuit?**

- A) Car safety issues
- B) Driver doping
- C) Team orders to let a teammate win**
- D) Illegal fuel usage

**15. Who was the McLaren driver revealed to have deliberately backed off to let his teammate take the lead in 1998?**

- A) Mika Hakkinen
- B) David Coulthard**
- C) Kimi Raikkonen
- D) Fernando Alonso

**16. What unfortunate event occurred in 2001 during a crash involving Ralf Schumacher and Jacques Villeneuve?**

- A) A fire on the track
- B) A marshal was killed**
- C) The race was red-flagged for hours
- D) A car flipped over

**17. What safety measure was introduced after the 2001 fatal accident?**

- A) Roll cages
- B) Wheel tethers**
- C) Stronger helmets
- D) Fireproof suits

**18. In 2002, which Australian driver finished fifth in his debut race at Albert Park?**

- A) Daniel Ricciardo
- B) Jack Brabham
- C) Mark Webber**
- D) Alan Jones

**19. What was the crowd's reaction to Mark Webber's fifth-place finish in his debut race?**

A) Disappointment

**B) A standing ovation**

C) Indifference

D) Boos

**20. What is a contributing factor to the crowd's passionate reaction to Australian drivers, despite no Australian having won the GP?**

A) They are always fast

B) They are local heroes

**C) An Australian has yet to win there**

D) They are very popular

**21. In what year did Niki Lauda crash into a wall due to brake failure?**

**A) 1985**

B) 1986

C) 1987

D) 1988

**22. Which driver's Williams suffered a rear tyre puncture in the 1986 championship decider?**

A) Alain Prost

B) Nelson Piquet

**C) Nigel Mansell**

D) Ayrton Senna

**23. What was the outcome of the controversy involving David Coulthard and Mika Hakkinen in 1998?**

A) Coulthard was disqualified

B) Hakkinen was disqualified

**C) It led to the ban on team orders**

D) No action was taken

**24. Who was the marshal tragically killed in the 2001 accident?**

A) Jean-Pierre Jabouille

**B) Graham Beveridge**

C) Sid Watkins

D) Jody Scheckter

**25. When did the Australian Grand Prix become a permanent fixture in the Formula One World Championship?**

- A) 1985**
- B) 1996
- C) 1998
- D) 2001

**26. The Australian GP has a history of witnessing record-breaking races and sparking a barrel of what?**

- A) Celebrations
- B) Controversies**
- C) Accidents
- D) Rain

**27. How many times has the winner of the Australian GP gone on to be crowned World Champion since 2002?**

- A) 12
- B) 8**
- C) 20
- D) 10

**28. What circuit was the Australian Grand Prix held on before moving to Albert Park?**

- A) Monaco
- B) Adelaide**
- C) Silverstone
- D) Spa

**29. What was the reason for Niki Lauda's crash in Adelaide?**

- A) Tyre blowout
- B) Driver error
- C) Brake failure**
- D) Collision

**30. What did Ayrton Senna achieve at the track in 1993, six months before his death?**

- A) His first F1 win
- B) His last F1 win**
- C) A pole position
- D) A disqualification