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**EMX 65 / EMX 85 European Championship: the final in Locket!****Bidzans and Marek are EMX85 and EMX65 Champions!**

The hillside circuit of Locket witnessed the future of motocross in action as the Finals of the European Championships EMX65 and EMX85 were held together with the premiere classes.

Racing was nothing less than impressive with Latvian Edvards Bidzans catching the top step of the podium and local hero and 65cc World Cup winner Vitezslav Marek being crowned EMX85 and EMX65 European Championship respectively.



## EMX85

The opening EMX85 race saw a great performance from Latvian Edvards Bidzans as the he did not have a good start but could manage to be in fourth position in lap one and worked his way through the field to move into first place on lap three and controlled the race from there, winning ahead of Quentin Marc Prugnieres and Marchetti Racing KTM's Valerio Lata.

For Prugnieres, who led the race on the first lap had to settle for second after being passed by Bidzans early and rode a steady race for second. The 2019 85cc Junior World Champion Valerio Lata also rode an incredible race from his third position. After starting in around 15<sup>th</sup> position moved into 12<sup>th</sup> on lap one, then slowly passed a bunch of riders to move into third place on the final lap of the race.

When the gate dropped for early in the morning today it was the French Maxime Grau who took the early lead in the second EMX85 race from Prugnieres, and Latvian Alberts Karlis Reisulis. After a lap the lead by Grau was nearly three seconds. Valerio Lata moved into third place on lap two when he passed Reisulis, on lap three the lead was three seconds, but it was Lata in second place as he also moved past Prugnieres. KTM held the top four places on lap three, with Grau, Lata, Prugnieres and Reisulis.

Race 1 winner Bidzans moved into third place on lap five while Prugnieres dropped another place as he went back to fourth place. 85cc Junior World Champion Valerio Lata was on fire as he moved right up on Grau for the lead.

Lata moved into the lead and Bidzans also moved past early leader Prugnieres to relegate the French youngster to third place. Lata won the race by three seconds to Bidzans, but it was second overall Bidzans who was crowned champion. Third was Prugnieres, fourth Reisulis and fifth Grau.

Young Latvian rider Edvards Bidzans has won the 2019 EMX85 championship today in Loket after going 1-2 and scoring 47 points. Bidzans who was crowned 2016 EMX65 champion is now a two-time European champion at the age of 14. Second overall was the 2019 World Junior 85cc champion Marchetti Racing KTM's Valerio Lata with 3-1 scores and 45 points, while third placed was Quentin Marc Prugnieres 2-3 and 42 points.



**EMX85 - Championship Top Ten:** 1. Edvards Bidzans (LAT, HUS), 47 points; 2. Valerio Lata (ITA, KTM), 45 p.; 3. Quentin Marc Prugnieres (FRA, KTM), 42 p.; 4. Karlis Alberts Reisulis (LAT, KTM), 36 p.; 5. Maxime Grau (FRA, KTM), 32 p.; 6. Charlie Heyman (GBR, HUS), 25 p.; 7. Cas Valk (NED, HUS), 22 p.; 8. Laszlo Tecsi (HUN, KTM), 20 p.; 9. Mads Fredsoe (DEN, KTM), 19 p.; 10. Julius Mikula (CZE, KTM), 18 p.

### EMX65

In the opening EMX65 race it was local hero Vitezslav Marek who held the early lead ahead of Marius Adomaitis, Anton Isaksson, and Joel Canadas. Nobody was going to stop Marek as he never gave up his lead, topping every single lap of the race. In second Adomaitis did pretty much the same thing, holding second all race long, but in third Semen Rybakov just had to pass Isaksson to get his third-place finish.

Marek again led in the second EMX65 race, followed by Edoardo Martinelli, Felix Cardineau, Filippo Mantovani and the Dutch sensation Lotte Van Drunen fifth. Van Drunen moved into fourth place after passing Mantovani, and after a lap the lead by Marek was already six seconds.

Marek was in a class of his own as he extended the lead to 10 seconds on lap two, while Van Drunen showed amazing speed in fourth place, and Adomaitis dropped into sixth place on lap two, then into fifth when he passed Gregor Kuusk.

Rybakov was also pushing through the field after an early crash, as he came from well back in the pack to move into seventh place on lap four. Van Drunen moved into third place as the Dutch girl proved more than a match for the boys.

Marek was just cruising up front with a 16 second lead as the race got close to its completion. Adomaitis was all over Van Drunen for third place, he moved into third place and soon after Van Drunen was relegated to fifth as Rybakov also moved past the Netherlander. Marek won it from Martinelli and Adomaitis.

No one had an impressive riding as Local hero and 65cc World Cup winner Vitezslav Marek did, he has put the Loket crowd into a frenzy as he added the EMX65 championship

to his trophy cabinet with a very dominant 1-1 performance. Second overall was Marius Adomaitis with 2-3 scores and third place Semen Rybakov with 3-4 scores.

**EMX65 - Championship Top Ten:** 1. Vitezslav Marek (CZE, KTM), 50 points; 2. Marius Adomaitis (LTU, KTM), 42 p.; 3. Semen Rybakov (RUS, KTM), 38 p.; 4. Anton Isaksson (SWE, HUS), 32 p.; 5. Filippo Mantovani (ITA, KTM), 26 p.; 6. Lotte Van Drunen (NED, KTM), 24 p.; 7. Edoardo Martinelli (ITA, HUS), 22 p.; 8. Felix Cardineau (FRA, HUS), 22 p.; 9. Gyan Doensen (NED, KTM), 22 p.; 10. Joel Canadas (ESP, KTM), 21 p.

### SEC Speedway European Championship: Final 2



Leon Madsen won the second round of the SEC Speedway European Championship held on Saturday's evening in Torun, Poland. Dane topped the podium, leaving Grigorii Laguta, Kacper Woryna and Nicki Pedersen behind.

After the round in Guestrow, it was Grigorii Laguta who had come to Torun with a leader's golden jacket. Russian rider had had a three-point advantage over second - Bartosz



Smektala and four points over Leon Madsen and Antonio Lindbaeck.

Meeting started from jumping a gun, because in the first heat of the day, Pawel Przedpelski made a start way quicker than the referee pressed the button. In the second attempt, Kacper Woryna grabbed the win and in the first series of starts, “threes” appeared next to Leon Madsen, Jarosław Hampel and Adrian Miedzinski. Series’ leader - Laguta had a tumble, so it all started with some bad luck for him.

Second series of starts delivered with some another emotions and overtakes. Unfortunately, we had a dramatic situation in heat no.10. On the second corner, Leon Madsen couldn’t hold his bike and hit Anders Thomsen, who moreover got hit from Robert Lambert’s bike as well.

Ambulances went quickly to track and paramedics did not hold back with taking a stretcher out. After a short while, Lambert came back to the pits on his own. However, Thomsen did not have this much luck and left Motoarena in an ambulance. In the heat’s repeat, David Bellego fell after a contact with Jakub Miśkowiak.

In the overall classification, it got really tight and last series of starts was about to bring up the heat. In fact, every rider from position 1 to 9 was able to go through to the race-off heat. Main series was ultimately won by Leon Madsen, who did not feel a taste of a loss and only exclusion made him not piling up a maximum points.

Another Danish rider got also straight to the final - Nicki Pedersen. In the race-off heat we had Laguta, Miedzinski, Woryna and Hampel, who advanced after 2 points piled in his last heat.

In the race-off heat, it was “Grisha” leading the stake, with Woryna and Hampel battling for the second position. Miedzinski, on the other hand, did not have much to say in this heat. After all, it was Woryna getting the second position.

Final heat was a real icing on the cake. From the very beginning, Madsen got the lead and Woryna was fighting hard to prevent Laguta overtaking him, but Russian rider finally made it in the third lap. Even though he was making mistakes, Pole wasn’t able to got in front of him and had to enjoy still a great third position.

After two rounds, Grigorii Laguta remained the leader with 27 points, having one-point

advantage over Leon Madsen. Nicki Pedersen and Bartosz Smektała, both with 19 points, hold third position.

Next round is scheduled on 10<sup>th</sup> August in Vojens, Denmark.

#### Event classification:

1. Leon Madsen (Danish)
2. Grigory Laguta (Russian)
3. Kacper Woryna (Polish)

#### Championship standing:

1. Grigory Laguta, 27 points
2. Leon Madsen, 26 points
3. Bartosz Smektała, 19 points

#### EMX Quad European Championship: round 3 in Latvia



The third round of the EMX Quad European Championship was raced on 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> July in Stelpe, Latvia, with a sunny and hot weather.

Thrilling Race1 with Kevin Saar first for 10 laps and out due to the breaking of the front suspension. Sune Lewander from Sweden took the lead but was Romain Gwiazda to win the heat.

In Race2 Saar succeeded in win in front of Valerijs Kuzmins, who overtook Lewander in the last corner on the last lap.

#### Event classification:

1. Sune Lewander, SWE
2. Patrick Turrini, ITA
3. Valerijs Kuzmins, LAT

#### Supermoto SM Junior and Supermoto S3: the second round in Estonia





The second round of the Supermoto SM Junior and Supermoto S3 European Championship was raced on 28th July in Tabasalu, Estonia.

### **SM Junior**

In Race1 poleman Jan Ulman won after a nice fight against Aksel Partelpoeg, who crashed finishing second. Crash for Ossi Rantala too, who succeeded in ending third.

In Race2 Ulman took a hole shot: Partelpoeg tried his best to overtook him but at the end he was second, while Rantala took a double third.

### **S3**

In Race1 first and second position for Denis Flighr and Kristjan Siilak, penalized for jumping the yellow flag taking the points of the third and the fourth.

In Race2 local championship started together and a crash with the red flag caused a second start. At the end Denis Fligr finished first in front of Kristjan Siilak.