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### Supermoto S2 European Championship and S Open European Supermoto Cup: Diego Monticelli and Mickael Amodeo takes the victories in S2 and S Open



After a thrilling opening round three weeks ago in Castelletto, the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of the S2 and Open European Championship took place at the International Circuit of Abruzzo in Ortona. The track in the region of Abruzzo near the Adriatic Sea has very fast corners, long straight and technical off-road which makes it a challenge for not only the riders, but also for the bikes and tyres.

#### S2/S Open Race 1

First race of the S2/Open class started on Saturday. At the start it was TM Factory Racing rider Diego Monticelli who took the holeshot into the first corner of the track, followed by Mickael Amodeo and Axel Marie-Luce on his Kawasaki. In fourth position it was Jannik Hintz who was followed by Kevin Negri. In lap number three Amodeo crashed hard in the



exit of the off-road and he had to restart from 11th position in the three taking him out for the victory. Due to this crash Diego Monticelli had a gap between the him and the rest of the field. The Italian rider kept his speed high and didn't make any mistakes until the finishline which he finished in first position. Behind Monticelli a group of five rider where having their own tense battle. Jannik Hintz tried to get away from Marie-Luce after he passed him, but the Frechman had other plans and was all over the Swiss rider taking, Youri Catherine, Kevin Negri and Romain Kaivers with him. Lap after lap, the five battled for second place in the race. With two laps to go a big crash in the off-road made an end to the battle. Negri and Catherine crashed giving Kaivers the possibility to overtake both of them. Kaivers however lost the connection with Hintz and Marie-Luce who had to fight for the second position behind Monticelli. Marie-Luce closed on again on Hintz and with a few corners to go, he overtook Hintz, taking second place and third place to Hintz.

### S2 Race 1 Top Ten:

1. MONTICELLI Diego (ITA, TM) 16 laps in 20:07.513; 2. MARIE LUCE Axel (FRA, Kawasaki) +07.558; 3. HINTZ Yannik (SUI, Honda) +07.704; 4. KAIVERS Romain (BEL, Honda) +12.043; 5. NEGRI Kevin (FRA, Honda) +14.604; 6. CATHERINE Youry (FRA, Honda) +16.064; 7. CAPONE Loucas (BEL, Honda) +16.759; 8. SCHAFLER Mario (AUT, Husqvarna) +18.690; 9. BOZZA Luca (ITA, Honda) +18.997; 10. AMODEO Mickael Bryan (FRA, Yamaha) +19.146

### S OPEN Race 1 Top Ten

1. AMODEO Mickael (FRA, Yamaha) 16 laps in 20:26:659; 2. DECAIGNY Nicolas (BEL, Honda) +39.085; 3. ZUGER Stephan (SUI, Honda) +1 lap; 4. BELLEMO Christian (ITA, Suzuki) +1 lap

### S2/S Open Race 2

The second race for the combined S2 en S Open class started in Ortona in very sunny and warm conditions. Holeshot was for the Italian pole sitter, TM Factory Racing rider Diego Monticelli followed by SMX Racing rider Mickael Amodeo and Gazza Racing rider Kevin Negri. The winner from the first race yesterday Monticelli had a good pace straight from



the start and already a few laps Monticelli had a lead of two seconds to Amodeo and Negri. L30 Honda rider Jannik Hintz had a good start and was in fourth but a crash made the Swiss rider fall back to tenth position giving fourth place to Gazza Racing rider Youri Catherine, who came from sixth. The young Frenchman had to let the top three go and settle for fourth already early in the race. In the lead Diego Monticelli was still in full focus and in full control of the race but the battle for second position would last until the end of the race as Negri kept pushing Amodeo, but this time the French Yamaha rider didn't make any mistakes and kept the door closed for Kevin Negri. Behind Catherine in fourth, Florian Catrice and Romain Kaivers had their own battle. Kaivers came back from a bad start and passed Luca Bozza after a few laps. The Belgium rider gave all he had but couldn't pass Catrice making him sixth and Catrice fifth in this second race of the weekend. The victory went to Diego Monticelli, which was his second victory of the weekend. Second place was for Mickael Amodeo, who rides in the S Open class, and third position was for Kevin Negri.

### **S2 Race 2 Top Ten:**

1. MONTICELLI Diego (ITA, TM) 16 laps in 19:52.547; 2. NEGRI Kevin (FRA, Honda) +07.339; 3. CATHERINE Youri (FRA, Honda) +19.220; 4. CATRICE Florian (FRA, Kawasaki) +23.291; 5. KAIVERS Romain (BEL, Honda) +24.000; 6. BOZZA Luca (ITA, Honda) +26.733; 7. BONNAL Steve (FRA, TM) +27.260; 8. MARIE LUCE Axel (FRA, Kawasaki) +30.927; 9. FIORENTINO Romeo (BEL, Husqvarna) +31.715; 10. HINTZ Jannik (SUI, Honda) +35.285

### **S OPEN Race 2 Top Ten**

1. AMODEO Mickael (FRA, Yamaha) 16 laps in 19:55:150; 2. DECAIGNY Nicolas (BEL, Honda) +40.768; 3. ZUGER Stephan (SUI, Honda) +1 lap; 4. BELLEMO Christian (ITA, Suzuki) +1 lap

### **S2/S Open Race 3**

At the start of the last race in Ortona for the S2 en S Open class it was again TM Factory Racing rider Diego Monticelli who took the holeshot into the first fast right corner. Second place was for SMX Racing rider Mickael Amodeo, followed L30 Honda riders Jannik Hintz



and Romain Kaivers. Fifth and sixth place was Gazza Honda riders Kevin Negri and Youri Catherine, right in front of Axel Marie-Luce. With Diego Monticelli in the lead, Mickael Amodeo was again challenged to keep up with the fast Italian who clearly felt at home on the fast track in Abruzzo. After a few laps, Amodeo had to let Monticelli go and had to settle for second quit early in the race. The Frenchman kept pushing but couldn't prevent that Monticelli was running away from him. The fight for third place was still between the teammates Hintz and Kaivers who challenged each other almost every corner of the track. In fifth place Kevin Negri looked like he was in control but a crash made him fall back to seventh, behind his rivals Catherine and Marie-Luce. Negri wasn't giving up and managed to get back to them and with five laps to go the Frenchman passed Marie-Luce and Catherine to take fifth place again. In the lead there no problems for Monticelli and the TM rider finished in first again with a 1.701 second lead on Amodeo who finished in second and first in the S Open cup. Third place was for Jannik Hintz who stayed in front of his teammate Romain Kaivers. With three victories Diego Monticelli was also the overall winner of the S2 class here in Ortona. Mickael Amodeo took the overall victory in the S Open Cup.

### **S2 Race 3 Top Ten:**

1. MONTICELLI Diego (ITA, TM) 16 laps in 19:57.388; 2. HINTZ Jannik (SUI, Honda) +05.634 3. KAIVERS Romain (BEL, Honda) +05.797; 4. NEGRI Kevin (FRA, Honda) +07.805; 5. CATHERINE Youri (FRA, Honda) +08.560; 6. MARIE LUCE Axel (FRA, Kawasaki) +09.358; 7. BONNAL Steve (FRA, TM) +22.654; 8. BOZZA Luca (ITA, Honda) +30.137; 9. SCHAFLER Mario (AUT, Husqvarna) +32.468; 10. CATRICE Florian (FRA, Kawasaki) +34.729

### **S OPEN Race 3 Top Ten**

1. AMODEO Mickael (FRA, Yamaha) 16 laps in 19:59:089; 2. LEONE Vladimiro (ITA, TM) +37.043; 3. DECAIGNY Nicolas (BEL, Honda) +38.700; 4. ZUGER Stephan (SUI, Honda) +1.15.522; 5. BELLEMO Christian (ITA, Suzuki) +1:16:504

### **S2 Classification Top Ten**

1. MONTICELLI Diego (ITA, TM) 75 Pts. (25+25+25); 2. NEGRI Kevin (FRA, Honda) 56 Pts. (16+22+18); 3. KAIVERS Romain (BEL, Honda) 54 Pts. (18+16+20); 4. HINTZ Jannik (SUI, Honda) 53 Pts. (20+11+22); 5.



CATHERINE Youri (FRA, Honda) 51 Pts. (15+20+16); 6. MARIE LUCE Axel (FRA, Kawasaki) 50 Pts. (22+13+15); 7. BOZZA Luca (ITA, Honda) 40 Pts. (12+15+13); 8. BONNAL Steve (FRA, TM) 39 Pts (11+14+14); 9. CATRICE Florian (FRA, Kawasaki) 37 Pts. (8+18+11); 10. SCHAFLENER Mario (AUT, Husqvarna) 34 Pts. 13+9+12)

### S OPEN Classification Top Ten

1. AMODEO Mickael (FRA, Yamaha) 75 Pts. (25+25+25); 2. DECAIGNY Nicolas (BEL, Honda) 64 Pts (22+22+20); 3. ZUGER Stephan (SUI, Honda) 54 Pts. (16+20+18); 4. BELLEMO Christian (ITA, Suzuki) 49 Pts. (15+18+16); 5. LEONE Vladimiro (ITA, TM) 42 Pts. (20+0+22); 6. MOSERITI Alberto (ITA, Husqvarna) 18 Pts. (18+0+0)

### Bajas European Championship:

**Tomiczek, Engeitado and Dias wins the Baja TT do Pinhal**



Vila Velha de Rodão, in Portugal, hosted the opening round of the Bajas European Championship.

Baja TT do Pinhal was characterized by 300 km of very technical special tests on a very well-marked route, with an exemplary organization by Escuderia Castelo Branco.

In the bikes category the winner was the young Polish Adam Tomiczek of the Orlen Team (Husqvarna). The Portuguese Micael Simão (KTM) finished second ahead of the European

champion Tiago Santos (Yamaha). Jorge Brandão (KTM) and veteran Pedro Bianchi Prata (Honda) completed the top 5.

In the Quads class the Portuguese Luís Engeitado won ahead the Spanish Toni Vingut and the Czech girl Olga Rouková, all with Yamaha.

In the SSV class, with a strong presence of Portuguese drivers, the podium saw João Dias and Alexandre Pinto, both from Benimoto Racing, and the CanAm official driver Luís Cidade. Portuguese champion Pedro Santinho Mendes and veteran Vitor Santos completed a top five with the CanAm Maverick X3.

### **Mini Road Racing European Championship: thrilling weekend at Adria Raceway**



Last weekend, Adria International Raceway, Italy, hosted the Mini Moto Road Racing European Championship. The race, originally scheduled at Assen, in The Netherlands, on August 2<sup>nd</sup> has been postponed in September due to emergency situation of the Coronavirus outbreak, thanks to the big efforts of the FMI (the Italian Motorcycling



Federation) and Moto Club CMV, which have welcomed this event with enthusiastic although the difficulties of the current situation.

Young riders from 11 different European countries set the fight in nine different classes in a friendly atmosphere.

**The winners are:**

- MiniMoto Junior A, Tommaso Landoni, FMI
- MiniMoto Junior B, Edoardo Savino, FMI
- MiniMoto Junior C, Gabriel Tesini, FMI (from San Marino)
- MiniMoto Open 50, Mattia Virone, FMI
- NSF 100, Jaiden Blokzijl, KNMV
- Ohvale 110, Cristian Borrelli, FMI
- Ohvale 160, Matteo Masili, FMI
- Ohvale190, Attila Rossi, MAMS (US)
- Mini GP 50, Lorenzo Cavalletto, FMI

The Mini Road Racing European Championship is very important for the FIM Europe concept of pyramid, where the top riders of Road Racing are being developed.

**Vintage Road Racing European Championship:**

**Grobnik hosted the single event of the season**

The Circuit of Grobnik, Croatia, hosted the only race of the Vintage Road Racing European Championship, in a season totally modified by the Coronavirus outbreak.



**The winners are:**

- Class 2: Tanja Henchel, Aermachi 250, Germany
- Class 6: Bert Heider, Moto Guzzi 750, Germany
- Class 7a: Juergen Riedel, Honda, Germany
- Class 7b: Peter Howrath, Yamaha TZ, Great Britain