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Drag Bike European Championship & Junior Cup: lights on the new season!



The Drag Bike European Championship & Junior Cup is back to the action!

The first of the five round scheduled in the 2022 calendar was raced in Santa Pod, Great Britain, at the presence of FIM Europe President, Mr Martin de Graaff, and the 1st Deputy President and Chairman of the Sporting Council Mr Michal Sikora.

"After two years without the European Championship all fans looked forward to watch the exciting races again on the beautiful Santa Pod race track. The number of fans showed us how they missed it. Together with the 1<sup>st</sup> Deputy President Michal Sikora I enjoyed the spectacular races with small differences in the running times and high speed at the finish of the quarter mile (about 400 m). Drag Racing Commission Chairman Mr Job Heezen renewed his contacts with the riders and was happy with the technical development in





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this sport. Important for the Federations is the promotion of Dragrace, encouraging riders to take part in this Championship. All riders have done a lot to make their bike faster. Many new bikes are developed by top technicians to reach a faster run than the last years. The CEO of Santa Pod, Mr Keith Bartlett, did what was important to entertain all fans of motorsport and both races of cars and motorbikes were a great success".

Teams and riders came from all Europe: of course England, but also from the Netherlands, Belgium, Hungary, Denmark, France, Sweden and Finland.

The recently repaved track, the very experienced crew and the perfect racing weather brought a lot of exciting racing with new records in both Super Twins and Super Street. The winners came from various countries.

Top Fuel winner: René v.d. Berg from Holland

Super Twins winner: Martijn de Haas from the Netherlands

Pro Stock winner: Martin Bishop from England

**Super Street winner:** Lencses Donat Daniel from Hungary

Junior Drag Bike Cup: Hollie King from England

#### Hill Climb European Championship: tragic day in Italy

Tragic day in occasion of the second event of the Hill Climb European Championship in Passo allo Spino, Italy, together with the Italian Championship.

All was set for the races and 158 riders were ready to fight in perfect Sunday's condition, but a serious accident in the Italian Championship interrupted the event.

Despite immediate relief, the 53-year-old Tuscan rider Claudio Fioravanti passed away.





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The FIM Europe, together with the Italian Federation, pass on our deepest condolences to Claudio's family, friends, team and loved ones.

Supersport 300 Cup: the first round got underway in Italy



First seasonal race for the Supersport 300 Cup in Cremona, Italy.

A perfect weekend for home rider Guido Borselli, who set the pole position and two amazing victories.

Second position in both races for Patricja Sowa (Women's Cup) and third for Alex Pahome.

#### Race 1

- 1. Berselli Guido, ITA
- 2. Sowa Patricja, POL
- 3. Pahome Alex, ROM

#### Race 2

- 1. Berselli Guido, ITA
- 2. Sowa Patricja, POL
- 3. Pahome Alex, ROM





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#### EMX 65 / EMX 85 European Championship - South West zone



Fernao Joanes, in Portugal, hosted the fourth round of the EMX 65 / EMX 85 European Championship - South West zone.

The spectacular, fast and hard pack track was perfectly prepared inviting all the riders for a thrilling event.

#### EMX85

27 degrees, little wind, perfect conditions for spectacular races. And that was exactly what riders did.

In race 1 the French Felix Cardineau took the holeshot, closely followed by the Italians Filippo Mantovani, Riccardo Pini and Niccolo Mannini and the Swiss Ryan Oppliger. After a few laps Mantovani took the lead but shortly after he crashed leaving the lead to Cardineau. Second position for Mannini and third for Pini.

In the second heat it seems that everyone can be in top 10. Mantovani took the holeshot, maintaining the leadership until the chequered flag. Another Italian, Gennaro Utech, was





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one of the best finishing second. Third place for Mannini, first in the standings and winner of the event ahead of Mantovani and Oppliger.

#### EMX65

In EMX 65 local hero Pau Caudet wins the qualifying heat ahead of Ricardo Bauer and Carlos Martin Jimenez.

In the first race the holeshot went to local rider Gomes Guilherme. After the first lap the Italian Francesco Assini took the lead ahead Bauer, Caudet and Jimenez, who after 3 laps took the lead followed by the Austrian, while Caudet was out of the race due to physical problems. In the last lap Assini made a mistake: Jimenez won ahead Bauer and Mennillo. In the second race Jimenez lead from start to finish, winning also the Overall. Second position for Caudet and third for Bauer, who is still first in the standings in front of Jimenez and Caudet.

EMX 125 European Championship: Van Erp secures first overall of the season







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The Spanish round in Arroyomolinos has concluded the fourth round of the EMX125 Presented by FMF Racing Championship, with Yamaha Europe EMX125 MJC's Ivano Van Erp winning his first overall of the season, as series leader Cas Valk of Fantic Factory Team Maddii failed to reach the podium.

In the first EMX125 Presented by FMF Racing heat it was Maximilian Werner of KTM Kosak Team who was the leading rider out of the gate. Fantic Factory Team Maddii's Cas Valk along with Alexis Fueri and Ferruccio Zanchi of Yamaha Europe EMX125 MJC were just behind the leader.

Mathis Valin started well too, and at one stage was third, before being passed by Fueri who got around him and Zanchi. Meanwhile his teammate Valk was applying the pressure onto Werner and at one point may have pushed too hard as a mistake saw him go off track which allowed Fueri to get closer.

Valk was able to hold his position and by the third lap got himself into the lead. Fueri was quick to follow as he also passed Werner for second place. At that point it was a Fantic 1-2.

Werner the dropped a few more positions as he went down to sixth. While on lap four Fueri made a pass on his teammate for the lead after also setting the fastest lap of the race. Janis Martins Reisulis was making good progress at that point in the race too as he worked his way into third and kept a close distance to the leaders.

In the end, Fueri was able to open up a very comfortable gap to Valk and J.M Reisulis as the Frenchman went on to win the opening race with an impressive 13.224 second advantage over Valk who crossed the line in second ahead of J.M Reisulis, while Marc-Antoine Rossi of Tech 32 and Yamaha Europe EMX125 MJC's Ivano Van Erp rounded out the top five.

In the second race, it was Van Erp who was the leading rider with J.M Reisulis second ahead of Tom Brunet. Meanwhile race one winner, Fueri, went down in the first corner and took a bunch of riders down with him. He had to get going from last.





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Van Erp continued to lead with J.M Reisulis applying the pressure in second, while Karlis Alberts Reisulis of Yamaha Europe EMX125 MJC worked his way into third ahead of Rossi and Brunet who dropped a few positions.

Valk then got by Brunet for sixth and then moments later moved up to fifth, as his teammate Fueri entered the top 30.

Van Erp had a steady lead but could not afford to relax as J.M Reisulis began to come under fire from his brother K. Reisulis. On lap four, Janis-Martins made a mistake and dropped back to fourth, as Karlis moved into second, with Rossi also benefiting from that as he took third.

In the closing stages of the race, we saw K.Reisulis and Van Erp switch positions several times, with both riders making mistakes which allowed the other to take opportunity to take over the lead. After a few more laps like that, Van Erp was able to open up a gap and eventually secure his first race win of the season as he crossed the line 6.417 seconds ahead of K. Reisulis and Rossi who was third with J.M Reisulis holding off Valk to finish fourth.

A fifth and a win gave Van Erp his first overall victory of the season, with Rossi joining him on the podium to finish second ahead of J.M Reisulis. Despite missing out on the podium, Cas Valk remains as the championship leader and is 27 points ahead of Fueri, while K.Reisulis remains third just three points further adrift.

EMX125 Presented by FMF Racing - Overall Top 10 Classification: 1. Ivano Van Erp (NED, YAM), 41 points; 2. Marc-Antoine Rossi (FRA, KTM), 38 p.; 3. Janis Martins Reisulis (LAT, KTM), 38 p.; 4. Cas Valk (NED, FAN), 38 p.; 5. Karlis Alberts Reisulis (LAT, YAM), 37 p.; 6. Alexis Fueri (FRA, FAN), 34 p.; 7. Mathis Valin (FRA, GAS), 29 p.; 8. Elias Escandell (ESP, GAS), 25 p.; 9. Francisco Garcia (ESP, HUS), 22 p.; 10. Toni Giorgessi (FRA, GAS), 19 p.;





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Tout Terrain Rally Cup: Hellas Rally 2022



First seasonal event for the Tout Terrain Rally Cup. The Hellas rally took place in Loutraki, Greece, from May 21st to 29th.

#### Day 1

The 100 km long prologue kept its promises and delivered some amazing moments high in adrenaline and tension. The rocky terrain was an extra challenge for both men and bikes. An accident occurred in the SSV category caused some delays, but soon the race continued.

#### Day 2

The race took off in the beautiful village of Clementi, located on the green slopes of Mount Ziria at an altitude of 960 meters. Participants raced across 340 km passing near the beautiful Dassiou Lake. The beautiful sunny weather gave a magical image to the vast spruce forest.

Day 3





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Day 3 has been cancelled from the organizers due to safety reasons. All participants had the occasion to rest and enjoy sun and sea at beautiful Loutraki.

#### Day 4

Probably the longest and warmest day for all riders. Hundreds of screaming engines blasted through one of the most unique locations Greece has to offer, on their way to Itea, where the temporary bivouac was located. The Special Test of the day was 330 km long and all participants had to try their best as there would no mechanical support in Itea.

#### Day 5

Toughest day: many participants didn't reach the finish line of the rocky route.

#### Day 6

The sixth day of the Hellas Rally Raid was the chance for most of the participants to sign a better performance and ameliorate their ranking. The route as usual was very rocky, but this time much shorter and faster than the other days. Again, riders raced through amazing mountainous landscapes and vast forests but had to face very high temperatures of almost 36 degrees.

#### Day 7

Last day with the second shortest Special Test (80 km).

#### Top five

- 1. Martin Albert, SPA
- 2. Podvratnik Tomaz, SLO
- 3. Iglesias Sanchez Eduardo, SPA
- 4. Zacchetti Cesare, ITA
- 5. Kreidl Ferdinand, AUT





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Cross Country European Cup: Finlad round crowns Cup Winners



Second and final round for the Cross Country European Cup near Lathi, Finland, with the crown of the Cup winners.

A route of 17 km (9 km for Quad) with a typical Finnish ground waited the riders: sand, gravel and stones etc. For quads the track was 9 km long.

The races took place in good weather conditions with just a couple small rain showers. In Quad 2x4 class the winner was the Lithuanian Gediminas Volkavicius, who is also the Cup Winner ahead of his county man Renatas Jegorovas.

Quad 4x4 class was a real show of Hegri Sutt from Estonia, who is the new European Cup Winner with maximum points.





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In the Woman Category the winner was Janette Mielonen from Finland, while the Title went to Milda Veverske from Lithuania. This 2,5 hours in Finnish forest was quite hard to Milda, but she got enough points to get the title.

In Junior Class the race winner was Juho Ahokas from Finland, while Lithuanian Džiugas Kazakevicius got the Title.

With maximum points Mika Karma from Finland is the new Senior Cup Winner. Top Lithuanian senior riders did not join this last race, leaving Karma win easy.

In open class there was the fastest on track: former Enduro World Champion rider Eero Remes won the race, finishing second in the Cup. The Title went to the Lithuanin Nerimantas Jucius.

Vintage Enduro European Championship: the season started in France







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The 2022 season of the Vintage Enduro European Championship kicked off last weekend in Mayet de Montagne, France.

More than 350 riders from France, Italy, Spain, Belgium, Switzerland and Germany arrived in the wonderful forest-landscape to give life to an amazing "retro" challenge.

A perfect test trail was prepared by the experienced Team Saint Yorre Motos in the mountains around Mayet 100 km with 3 fine selected Enduro Tests per day, about 5 hours riding.

#### Day1 winners

Expert >74cc - Federico Fregnan, FRA

Expert 126cc> - Xavier Castey Soler, FRA

Expert 75cc>125cc - Massimo Pescia, ITA

Classic >74cc - Adriano Micozzi, FRA

Classic 126cc>250cc - Johannes Steinel, GER

Classic 251cc> - Jens Oestreich, GER

Classic 75cc>125cc - Ole Fleischer, FRA

Open >80cc - Daniel Delomenede, FRA

Open 126cc>250cc - Ricard Martinez, FRA

Open 251cc> - Peter Zink, GER

Open 81cc>125cc - Martin Novella, GER

#### Day2 winners

Expert >74cc - Federico Fregnan, FRA

Expert 126cc> - Xavier Castey Soler, FRA

Expert 75cc>125cc - Massimo Pescia, ITA

Classic >74cc - Adriano Micozzi, FRA

Classic 126cc>250cc - Andreas Mosert, GER

Classic 251cc> - David Gomez Carrion, EST





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Classic 75cc>125cc - Ole Fleischer, FRA

Open >80cc - Daniel Delomenede, FRA

Open 126cc>250cc - Ricard Martinez, FRA

Open 251cc> - Peter Zink, GER

Open 81cc>125cc - Riccardo Terranova, ITA