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EMX 125 European Championship and EMX 250 European Championship: Osterhangen and Van Erp top the podium in Sweden



Rounds eight of the EMX250 and EMX125 Presented by FMF Racing have concluded at the round of Sweden in Uddevalla, with Fantic Factory Team Maddii's Haakon Osterhagen securing his first overall victory in the EMX250 class, while Yamaha Europe EMX125 MJC's Ivano Van Erp celebrated his second visit to the top step of the podium.

#### **EMX250**

In the first EMX250 race of the weekend, it was Fantic Factory Team Maddii's Haakon Osterhagen who took the holeshot while Hutten Metaal Yamaha Racing's Andrea Bonacorsi got caught up in a big crash, and did not carry on with the race, as his teammate Rick Elzinga also had a tough start to his race.





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Osterhagen was the leading rider ahead of Lucas Coenen of Jumbo Husqvarna BT Racing Team, David Braceras of Team VRT KTM Veritise, Sacha Coenen of Jumbo Husqvarna BT Racing Team and Fantic Factory Team Maddii's Cornelius Toendel.

Elzinga began his charge towards the front pretty urgently as he entered the top 20 by the end of the first lap. Though at the sharp end of the field Osterhagen was coming under immense pressure from L. Coenen who was searching for every opportunity to pass the Norwegian. But Osterhagen was quick to respond with the fastest lap of the race, to open up the gap to 1.605 seconds as L. Coenen began to make mistakes.

The race took a turn for the worst for the title hopeful Toendel who struggled to fire up his Fantic machine to carry on with the race. Despite his best efforts, he was forced to DNF and as a result, lost valuable championship points to Elzinga.

L. Coenen was the next rider to suffer a mechanical problem after a broken chain forced him out of second position and allowed Osterhagen to get comfortable in first place. Coenen did not finish the race.

The running order was then Osterhagen, Braceras, S. Coenen, Quentin Marc Prugnieres of 9MM Energy-BUD Racing Kawasaki, and Camden McLellan of TBS Conversions Racing Team.

Both Prugnieres and McLellan were on a charge in the final stages of the race as both got by S. Coenen to move up to third and fourth and continued to push forward until they caught onto the rear wheel of Braceras who was 11.249 seconds behind the leader Osterhagen.

Further down the order, Elzinga was already inside the top 10 and eventually managed to finish 9<sup>th</sup>.

Osterhagen ended up winning the race ahead of Prugnieres who held off McLellan in the final laps, as Yago Martinez managed to work his way up to fourth ahead of Braceras.

In the second race, it was again Osterhagen who was the leading rider into the first turn, though was quickly passed by L. Coenen after making a mistake. Meico Vettik start well before dropping a few positions which allowed Braceras, Toendel and Elzinga through.





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Braceras then made a mistake and dropped down to seventh place, as Elzinga began to apply the pressure onto Prugnieres, while Martinez was also pushing from behind.

Braceras then crashed again and got going outside the top 20 and eventually finished in  $17^{th}$ .

Osterhagen was pushing L. Coenen in the opening stages but small mistakes began to creep in and the Belgian was able to open up the gap to 4.591 seconds. While further down, Prugnieres was chasing down Toendel for third. The Frenchman pushed hard and made a mistake which sent him off the track, though he was able to get back into the swing of things and make the pass stick on lap 11.

Elzinga was next to go after the Norwegian and managed to pass him a lap later as McLellan closed in on Martinez as the two battled for the final spot on the podium. Eventually, McLellan was able to get it done and move into sixth.

In the end, L. Coenen was the race winner with a strong 9.627 second lead over Osterhagen, Prugnieres, Elzinga and Toendel. A 1-2 result gave Osterhagen the overall win, his first ever in the EMX250 class, while a solid 3-3 result put Prugnieres second on the box ahead of McLellan who celebrated his first podium finish.

Two rounds remain of the EMX250 Championship and Elzinga continues to lead over Toendel by 44 points, while L. Coenen is third.

EMX250 - Overall Top 10 Classification: 1. Haakon Osterhagen (NOR, FAN), 47 points; 2. Quentin Marc Prugnieres (FRA, KAW), 42 p.; 3. Camden Mc Lellan (RSA, KTM), 35 p.; 4. Yago Martinez (ESP, KTM), 32 p.; 5. Rick Elzinga (NED, YAM), 30 p.; 6. Lucas Coenen (BEL, HUS), 25 p.; 7. Magnus Smith (DEN, YAM), 25 p.; 8. Sacha Coenen (BEL, HUS), 25 p.; 9. Scotty Verhaeghe (FRA, KTM), 21 p.; 10. Maximilian Spies (GER, KTM), 20 p.;

#### **EMX125**

In race one of the EMX125 Presented by FMF Racing category, it was Laban Alm who took the holeshot and was the leading rider ahead of Matteo Luigi Russi of Tech 32, Maximillian Werner of Diga Procross KTM Racing, Ferruccio Zanchi of Yamaha Europe EMX125 MJC and Linus Persson.





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Early on in the first lap, Ivano Van Erp of Yamaha Europe EMX125 MJC got himself up to sixth place, while Werner dropped down to 10<sup>th</sup>.

Championship leader, Cas Valk of Fantic Factory Team Maddii had a tough start to the race by the fourth lap was already inside the top 10 and pushing further.

Russi then clocked the fastest lap of the race as he passed Alm at the very end of the fourth lap, while Van Erp took fourth from Mads Fredsoe and moments after also passed Zanchi to move up to third and by the eighth lap Van Erp was the race leader after Russi crashed.

Van Erp was looking to get comfortable in first place, though could not afford to relax as Janis Martins Reisulis fought his way through the pack and was putting on a charge for the leader.

Towards the closing stages of the race, the pair battled closely with J, Reisulis managing to pass Van Erp. The Latvian managed two laps in the lead before he crashed which allowed Van Erp back into the driving seat, as the KTM rider got going again in fourth ahead of Valk.

In the end, Van Erp won the race 6.599 seconds ahead of Zanchi, Alm, J. Reisulis and Valk. In race two, J. Reisulis took the holeshot ahead of Fantic Factory Team Maddii's Alexis Fueri, Werner, Van Erp and Zanchi. Valk started in around the top 10, which once again left him with a lot of work to do if he wanted to secure the title early.

J. Reisulis set the fastest lap time of the race as he extended his lead to 4.646 over Fueri. While Van Erp began to push Werner for third. Several corners later, he was able to make it stick and move into third.

Further down the order, K. Reisulis was making progress as he caught onto Alm and passed him for sixth, with Valk doing the same shortly after.

Zanchi then crashed out of fifth and dropped back to 10<sup>th</sup> which allowed Valk through as the Dutchman pushed to catch K. Reisulis ahead. At the same time, K. Reisulis was looking to edge closer to Van Erp. Valk made several attempts to pass K. Reisulis with the battle carrying on until the chequered flag. The Latvian was able to maintain his position and keep the Dutchman at bay.





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J. Reisulis won the race ahead of Fueri who had Van Erp applying the pressure in the final lap. K. Reisulis finished fourth ahead of Valk.

A race win and third gave Van Erp the overall victory ahead of J. Reisulis and Fueri who stood on the third step of the podium. Despite not being on the podium, Valk leads the championship into the final round of the series which will head to Finland and holds a 48-point advantage over his closest rival and teammate Fueri, while K. Reisulis is third.

EMX125 Presented by FMF Racing - Overall Top 10 Classification: 1. Ivano Van Erp (NED, YAM), 45 points; 2. Janis Martins Reisulis (LAT, KTM), 43 p.; 3. Alexis Fueri (FRA, FAN), 36 p.; 4. Laban Alm (SWE, HUS), 35 p.; 5. Ferruccio Zanchi (ITA, YAM), 33 p.; 6. Cas Valk (NED, FAN), 32 p.; 7. Maximilian Werner (GER, KTM), 24 p.; 8. Vitezslav Marek (CZE, KTM), 20 p.; 9. Julius Mikula (CZE, KTM), 19 p.; 10. Karlis Alberts Reisulis (LAT, YAM), 18 p.;

#### Mini Road Racing European Championship



After two years of lock down due to the Covid-19 pandemic the Mini Road Racing European Championship was back in action hosted by the "Cathedral of Speed", the TT Assen in The Netherlands for a three-day event.

The event was organized together with a big national event on the main venue which attracts a very large crowd of spectators. The weather defied the heat wave dominating





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other parts of Europe and with sunshine and around 22 degrees set the perfect conditions for three days of racing and friendship for the young riders.

6 nations were represented and the Mini Moto classes were all present. The Mini Bike classes of Ohvale and Honda NSF were absent due to a conflict of dates with other events. The newly signed agreement with PMT, the tyre company, meant that PMT was present at the event supplying tyres for the riders and assistance for technical control: a well appreciated service.

Racing in Mini Moto is the foundation of all the big classes and the future stars of Road Racing are developed here. Both qualification and racing were very intense, but the friendship between the riders is also an important part of developing the spirit of fairness and having fun with your sport.

Here below the final results after three races.

#### Junior A

- 1. #14 Alessandro Souchet
- 2. #85 Maicol Colazzo
- 3. #664 Ethan Botti

#### Junior B

- 1. #70 Giraldi Mattia
- 2. #48 Alessandro Lorra
- 3. #58 Marco Maciaronni

#### Junior C (Cup)

- 1. #21 Lucca Rizzi
- 2. #27 Nicolas Ricco
- 3. #122 Ricardo Alberto Soressini

#### Junior Open

- 1. #12 Leonardo Lapadula
- 2. #111 Luca Bandini
- 3. #7 Leonardo Martinazzi





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#### Trial European Championship: round 3 at iconic Isle of Man



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The third round of the Trial European Championship took place at the iconic Isle of Man, in Great Britain. A fantastic race with good weather and a beautiful scenery, with all the sections just by the beach. The soil is mostly volcanic rocks which make grip very good: the sections level was very good in all the classes.

#### Day 1

First off from the paddock was the International Women Class. It was a battle for the win between the Manx rider Summer Peters and the British Holly Dixon. In the end Summers took the win.

In the Youth International the British Harrison Lightfoot started out best leading after the first lap, but the Italian rider Etienne Giacuzzo finally took the win with only 1 mark, making very good laps 2 and 3.

In the Youth Championship, the leader George Hemmingway started with a knock out on the first lap with only 1 mark lost and after the last lap he took a comfortable win. Big fight for the other steps of the podium between 3 riders: Xurxo Neo (Spain), Jonathan





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Heidel (Germany) and Jonas Jørgensen (Norway). It was a fight until the last section: Neo finished 2<sup>nd</sup> and Jørgensen 3<sup>rd</sup>.

In the Women Championship, there were all top riders from championship so far. Naomi Monnier (France) started best with only 1 mark lost at the first lap, ahead of Vivian Wachs (Germany) on 4 and the Manx favourite Katlyn Adshead on 6. On lap 2 Adshead made a clean lap. After lap 2 Katlyn was in the lead with Monnier 2<sup>nd</sup> and Denisa Pechakova (Czech Republic) 3<sup>rd</sup>, just 1 mark ahead of Vivian. On lap 3 both Adshead and Pechakova took 1 and Naomi 5. The final result was a win for Adshead ahead of Monnier and Pechakova.

#### Day 2

In the over 40 Class the big favourite Dan Clark started the day with two failures in the first two sections. The Finnish Staffan Floessel was leading after the first lap, but Clark sorted everything out and learn of his mistakes. He only took 1 mark on lap 2 and no marks in lap 3 for another safe win in front of Floessel and Roman Vandas (Czech Republic) 3<sup>rd</sup>. Sunday's race saw Saturday Women winner, Katlyn Adshead, on top of the podium in the International Class with the same marks as Chris Madigan, but with more cleans.

The Junior Class was very tight with a lot of riders in only a few marks. The winner Max Sundberg (Sweden) had his first podium of the year, after missing the 2<sup>nd</sup> round due to sickness. The Polish championship leader finished 2<sup>nd</sup> and Andreas Jørgensen (Norway) third.

European Championship's riders make a very interesting competition. On the first lap Jarand M. Gunvaldsen (Norway) and Pau Martinez (Spain) were in the lead with 4 marks lost but with Jonathan Heidel (Germany) 6<sup>th</sup> and Marco Mempör (Austria) and Harry Hemmingway (UK) 7<sup>th</sup>. On lap 2 Martinez took 2 and was leading with 6 marks, Mempör clean the whole lap and advanced to 2<sup>nd</sup> with 7 and Harry with 8 marks lost. On lap 3 the top 3 riders only lost 1 mark each, keeping the standings from lap 2 with Martinez as winner, Mempör 2<sup>nd</sup> and Hemmingway 3<sup>rd</sup>.





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SEC: Final 2 in Germany



Final 2 for the SEC, the Speedway European Championship in Güstrow, Germany.

Janusz Kołodziej won the 2<sup>nd</sup> round, Patryk Dudek took second place, while Daniel Bewley was third.

Janusz Kołodziej brought home a set of points from as many as four of the five races he rode. This gave the Pole a handicap at the end of the regular phase, when he, Leon Madsen and Patryk Dudek each had 12 points. Kołodziej directly advanced to the finals, along with Madsen, who was pushed by a win in race 9 against the popular "Duzers".

In the last chance race, Patryk Dudek and Daniel Bewley used the advantages of the outer starting fields. Mikkel Michelsen fought for a pass to the final until the very end but passed the finish line as third. The defending Individual European Champion eventually took fifth place in the final classification.

Daniel Bewley showed his best side in Güstrow. Thanks to his excellent performance in the second part of the tournament, he appeared in the last chance run, which he won. The Briton finished the final run behind Kołodziej and Dudek.

The home fans were disappointed by German representatives Michael Härtel and Kai Huckenbeck, who finished twelfth and thirteenth, respectively.

This was also not the best round of last year's tournament winner in Güstrow Piotr Pawlicki. He scored 6 points and finished the show on the tenth position.





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#### Final classification:

- 1. Janusz Kołodziej 12 (3,0,3,3,3)
- 2. Patryk Dudek 12 (3,2,2,3,2).
- 3. Daniel Bewley 11 (1,3,1,3,3)
- 4. Leon Madsen 12 (2,3,3,2,2)
- 5. Mikkel Michelsen 11 (2,3,1,2,3)

# European 250cc Pairs Speedway Cup and European 85cc Youth Speedway Racing Cup: the finals in Denmark



#### European 250cc Pairs Speedway Cup

Third and final round for the European 250cc Pairs Speedway Cup in Randers, Denmark, a city in Randers Municipality, Central Denmark Region on the Jutland peninsula. It is Denmark's sixth-largest city.

In a mixed weather the Polish pair was crowned champion of the series. This success arrives after a clear domination of Poland, who won over the three seasonal rounds. Denmark got the silver medal and Czech Republic the bronze one.





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#### Final classification:

- 1. Poland (Kevin Malkiewicz, Szymon Ludwiczak, Mikolaj Krok)
- 2. Denmark (Mikkel Andersen, Sebastian Mayland, Andreas Olsen)
- 3. Czech Republic (Adam Bednaf, Vojtech Sachl)

#### **European 85cc Youth Speedway Racing Cup**

The city of Randers also hosted the one-day event of the European 85cc Youth Speedway Racing Cup.

Home rider Villads Pedersen was crowned winner ahead of countryman Jacob Jensen and the German Janek Konzack.

#### Final classification:

- 1. Villads Pedersen, DEN
- 2. Jacob Jensen, DEN
- 3. Janek Konzack, GER





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European 125cc Youth Track Racing Cup: the final in the Czech Republic



One-event race for the European 125cc Youth Track Racing Cup in Pardubice, capital city of the Pardubice Region and lies on the Elbe River, in the Czech Republic. In a fair play event, on a very high-level track, very young riders fought as great champions.

Race was full of fighting and overtaking.

#### Final results:

- 1. Lester Matthijssen, NED
- 2. Thies Schweer, GER
- 3. Karel Pruša, CZE

