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INTRODUCTION TO THE 2ND ROUND UEM TRIAL CHAMPIONSHIP

After nearly three months, the UEM Trial Championship is again on the run in the only week-end of this season where the attentions are shared with the FIM World Championship. The venue is Santo Stefano d'Aveto, on the mountains behind Genova, organised by the Moto Club Della Superba. The European riders will be on the scene on Saturday 7th for the second of six rounds, as scheduled in the series.

In the top class, two Italian riders are occupying the provisional first two places: Matteo Grattarola (Gas Gas) and, behind him, Daniele Maurino (Ossa). At the moment, Grattarola is in great form, coming from two excellent performances. The victory in the Indoor held on Wednesday and a second place behind Raga at the Assoluti d'Italia disputed last Sunday. The Italian rider, if motivated like he is in this championship where he is fighting again for the crown, can be unbeatable.

In the Junior class the leader is French Steven Coquelin (Gas Gas), who will find a consistent resistance represented by the Maglia Azzurra riders Francesco Cabrini and Pietro Petrangeli, both mounting Beta. Not only but even Britain's Bradley Cox (Beta) and his Norwegian team-mate Sverre Lundevold (Beta), after their good outcomes in the similar class in the World Championship are to be watched with care.

Among the "Over 40" riders, beside the 1992 world champion Finnish Tommi Ahvala (Gas Gas) participation as provisional leader in the series, there is another point of interest: a special Trophy in memory of Diego Bosis will be delivered to the first Italian rider. A brilliant invention wanted by French rider Philippe Bontemps (Gas Gas), who are attending the whole Italian championship in this season.

It is very interesting for the public the possibility to follow the whole competition on their Trials bike, purchasing a special pass. Many shuttles are available to transport for those coming without their bikes.

To know more about the event go to www.mtrialgpitaly.altervista.org

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