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**EMX 2T European Championship and EMX Open European Championship:
Jost and Spies take victories in Czech Republic**



Races in Loket, Czech Republic, have concluded with victories by Simon Jost in the EMX Open category and Maximilian Spies of Fantic Factory Team Maddii in EMX2t Presented by FMF Racing.

OPEN

In EMX Open race one, it was Joel Van Mechelen who got a good start, with Filippo Zonta and Simone Croci right there as well. The championship leader (at the time) Nicolas Dercourt of Honda SR Motoblouz meanwhile was down in around tenth.



Zonta then took the lead, with Croci following as well, as Dercourt dropped to 14th.

Croci then closed in on the race leader, as Davide De Bortoli and Simon Jost battled for third, with the pair exchanging positions several times over the course of the lap.

Jost then dropped to fifth as De Bortoli and Micha-Boy De Waal of No Fear/Jumbo BT Racing Team both went through on the Slovakian rider.

Croci then briefly took the lead from Zonta, as De Bortoli and De Waal closed in on the leaders with just over 3 seconds separating the top four.

De Bortoli then passed Croci on lap eight and was able to get Zonta as well to become the new race leader. Zonta then crashed and re-joined in fifth to eventually finish the race in fifth place ahead of Jost.

De Bortoli took the win, with De Waal and Croci second and third, as Dercourt struggled to make his way up the field and ended the race ninth.

As the gate dropped for race two, it was Zonta who led the way, as De Waal had a big crash in the second corner. Zonta carried on out front, with De Bortoli wasting no time applying the pressure onto the leader.

By lap two, De Bortoli was the new race leader, Jost started to close in on Zonta as he set his sights on second place. Meanwhile Dercourt was having a much better start to the race as he battled in 6th.

De Waal did pick himself up after the crash in the start and managed to get up and carried on for 10 laps until deciding to pull out of the race.

The attention quickly moved to the front as Zonta and Jost went at it for second. The pair had a nice battle that saw Jost go through, for Zonta to fight back immediately but eventually it was the Slovakian rider who came out on top.

With 8 minutes and 2 laps to go, the gap between De Bortoli and Jost was 3.134 seconds, but a couple of laps later we saw some drama as De Bortoli crashed out of the lead.

Jost then inherited first place, with Tim Koch second and Zonta third, as De Bortoli dropped to fourth position.

De Bortoli then crashed again to finish the race 10th, while Jost took his first ever EMX race win, with Koch second and Zonta third.



In terms of the podium, it was Simon Jost who secured the top step of the podium, with Filippo Zonta placing second and Davide De Bortoli second.

Just two rounds remain of the EMX Open Championship as the series heads to Kegums with De Bortoli leading the championship by four points over Dercourt, with Simon Croci third on 97 points.

EMXOpen - Overall Top 10 Classification: 1. Simon Jost (SVK, KTM), 41 points; 2. Filippo Zonta (ITA, HON), 38 p.; 3. Davide De Bortoli (ITA, HON), 36 p.; 4. Tim Koch (GER, HUS), 35 p.; 5. Simone Croci (ITA, HUS), 35 p.; 6. Martin Michek (CZE, KTM), 32 p.; 7. Martin Krc (CZE, KTM), 29 p.; 8. Nicolas Dercourt (FRA, HON), 28 p.; 9. Petr Michalec (CZE, HON), 23 p.; 10. Micha-Boy De Waal (NED, HUS), 22 p.

2T

In the first heat of the EMX2t Presented by FMF Racing it was Fantic Factory Team Maddii's Federico Tuani who got a great start though immediately crashed which allowed the defending champion, Brad Anderson of Verde Substance KTM to take the lead.

Anderson was the rider in front, as Maximilian Spies of Fantic Factory Team Maddii got around Jonas Nedved for second, while Tuani was fighting back from the back.

Spies then caught up with Anderson and was looking faster than the leader. The German made several attempts to pass the Brit, though Anderson was quick to shut the door. The Verde Substance KTM rider did a good job to defend the lead for eight laps, until Spies was able to get the drive and pass for the lead.

Spies then opened a gap to Anderson, as Tuani was making great progress through the field to get into fifth.

By the end of the race Anderson was looking like he got second wind as he picked up the pace, but a mistake with a few laps to go put him out of contention for the race win as Spies crossed the finish line to take his first race win. Anderson was second and Nedved third with Tuani making a recovery up to fourth.

The second race saw Nedved out in front into the first corner, though Spies was quick to jump into first place. Anderson then took third from Putnam, as Tuani moved into fourth place.



Anderson then made a swift move into second place, as Tuani made the most of this opportunity himself, to catch Nedved off-guard and get himself into third.

Tuani then set his sights on Anderson, passing the Brit on lap three. As he then looked for an opportunity to close in on his teammate for the win.

Spies led the way until the end of the race, edging out lap by lap, but towards the later stages of the race Tuani was able to get the gap down to 2.238 seconds as Spies won, Tuani was second and Anderson third.

The podium saw Spies take his first EMX victory, with Anderson finishing second overall and Tuani third. This is exactly how the championship standings look right now, with Spies leading on 50 points, with Anderson second with 41 and Tuani with 40.

EMX2T Presented by FMF Racing - Overall Top 10 Classification: 1. Maximilian Spies (GER, FAN), 50 points; 2. Brad Anderson (GBR, KTM), 42 p.; 3. Federico Tuani (ITA, FAN), 40 p.; 4. Jonas Nedved (CZE, KTM), 38 p.; 5. Ben Putnam (GBR, HUS), 32 p.; 6. Mats Vendelbo (DEN, KTM), 30 p.; 7. Pablo Caspani (ITA, HUS), 28 p.; 8. Twan Wagenaar (NED, KTM), 26 p.; 9. Thomas Haas (GER, HUS), 23 p.; 10. Carl Massury (GER, YAM), 22 p.

Yamaha R3 bLU cRU European Cup: round 3 in Assen

Race 1

Having qualified eighth, which became a seventh-place start after a penalty ahead, Sofuoğlu got away well and held his position in the opening stages. The Turkish youngster took the lead after passing several riders into the final corner on lap six of 14, but was shuffled back to seventh at the next corner, demonstrating just how close it was. The bLU cRU rider climbed back to third with two laps to go, before contact at Turn 10 dropped him back to eighth.

On the final lap, Sofuoğlu had recovered back to third, but was just beaten on the run to the line by 0.02s, seeing him finish fourth.

Starting from the eighth row, Sabatucci found himself in the lead group - covering the top 16 riders - by the halfway stage of the race. The Italian managed to avoid several incidents around him and moved into the top 10 with two laps to go. The Viñales Racing Team rider wasn't done there though, moving up to sixth on the final lap, before taking another place in the last sector to cross the line in fifth.

Yamaha MS Racing WorldSSP Supported Team's Unai Orradre had qualified 10th, but was penalised for a jump start as the race got underway. The Spanish rider had to take two long lap penalties, but was still able to remain in the lead group after a series of fast laps. In the closing stages, the bLU cRU rider was looking to move inside the top five, but was forced to avoid fallers ahead and dropped to 10th by the finish.



Race2

In Race2 Biblion Motoxracing Yamaha WorldSSP300 Supported Team's Sofuoğlu had narrowly missed out on a podium on Saturday, and was once again fighting for the win in the lead group. On lap 11 of 14, the Turkish youngster and Yamaha MS Racing WorldSSP300 Supported Team's collided at Turn 5 and both fell. They rejoined the race, but were unable to take points away, with Spanish rider Orradre recovering to 25th and Sofuoğlu 32nd.

Supermoto European Championship: the race in Vysoke Myto

Day full of events in Vysoke Myto, in the Czech Republic, for the Supermoto European Championship with the S2, SM Junior, S3 and Senior classes.



In perfect conditions the two races in the S2 class were full of action in front of big Czech crowd on the grandstands and around the track. Austrian Husqvarna rider Andy Buschberger took the overall victory with two race wins.

S2 Race 1

At the start it was Mira Racing Team rider Peter Mayerbuechler who took the holeshot into the first tight corner with right behind him the leader in the championship Andreas Buschberger. Gazza Racing rider Youry Catherine had also a good run to the first corner but the young Frenchman crashed on the breaking and had to restart the race in last position. In third after the first lap it was L30 TM Factory rider Luca Bozza in front of Gazza Racing rider Tim Szalai and the teammate of Bozza at L30 TM Factory Steve Bonnal. In the lead Mayerbuechler and Buschberger were fighting for every inch of asphalt but both riders couldn't make any mistakes as Bozza and Bonnal, who passed Szalai) were not



far behind. Buschberger however kept pushing and in lap five he managed to pass the German rider making him first in the race. Mayerbuechler tried to attack but in the off-road section he made a mistake and fell back to sixth place right behind Catherine who was busy with an impressive comeback after his crash. With Mayerbuechler gone from second place, Buschberger created a gap between him and his competitors, but the Austrian rider kept the speed high. Catherine in the meantime was already in fourth place after passing Szalai and KTM MTR rider Romain Kaivers who also had a good race despite his ankle problems, but the top three was too far out for the Frenchman. In front Buschberger controlled the race and finished first with a lead of 11:642 seconds to Luca Bozza. Steve Bonnal completed the top three in race one.

S2 Race 2

When the lights went out it was Austrian Husqvarna rider Andreas Buschberger who went under the bridge in first place, with right behind him L30 TM Factory rider Steve Bonnal and Gazza Racing rider Youry Catherine. In fourth place it was Peter Mayerbuechler, followed by KTM MTR rider Romain Kaivers. Catherine saw that Buschberger was getting away and the Frenchman didn't waste any time and passed Bonnal in the second lap of the race. Youry Catherine soon reached the backwheel of the Husqvarna of Buschberger taking Bonnal with him. Mayerbuechler was still in fourth with Kaivers and L30 TM Factory rider Luca Bozza closing in on him. In front Andy Buschberger decided that it was time to go faster and soon in the race he left his competitors behind him. The Austrian rider was in full control and didn't make any mistakes. Behind Buschberger, Catherine, Bonnal, and Mayerbuechler were having their own race but no rider was able to really attack each other. After 15 laps, Andy Buschberger crossed the finishline in first position making him the overall winner of this round in Vysoke Myto. Youry Catherine finished second, but the Gazza Racing rider was given a 20 seconds penalty for a jumpstart which made him fifth in this race. With Catherine penalized, Steve Bonnal became second and Peter Mayerbuechler completed the top three.



S2 top three

1. Bushberger Andreas (AUT, Husqvarna)
2. Bonnal Steve (FRA, TM)
3. BOZZA Luca (ITA, TM)

The other classes:

SM Junior

1. Catorc Giani (FRA, KTM)
2. Vetkin Mathias (EST, KTM)
3. Ludvik Ondrej (CZE, Husqvarna)

S3

1. Mosin Ivan (RUS, KTM)
2. Takk karl (EST, GASGAS)
3. Mihaylov Radostin (BUL, Kawasaki)

Senior

1. Latyshev Alexander (RUS, TM)

European Pairs Speedway Championship: France gets the title!

Final round of the European Pairs Speedway Championship in Macon, France.

The race, opened to the public, delayed three hours because of the weather conditions, but in the evening took place thanks to the efforts of the organization.

At the end of a thrilling race, the French team won ahead of Poland and Latvia.



Final classification

1. France
2. Poland
3. Latvia