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**Moto2 European Championship and European Talent Cup:  
second round in Spain**



Second round for the Moto2 European Championship and European Talent Cup at Circuit Ricardo Tormo, Spain.

**Moto2**

The fight for victory in the Moto2™ was between Tulovic and Alex Escrig (Yamaha Philippines Stylobike) after Senna Agius (Promoracing) crashed out of the lead at Turn 12 in the early exchanges. Tulovic went on to win by 1.1s to extend his Championship lead, with the final podium place going to Xavi Cardelus (Promoracing) after a good scrap with Yeray Ruiz (FAU55 TEY Racing). The Stock honours went the way of Marco Tapia (Easyrace Team) after the Spaniard crossed the line in P10.

ETC

In race 1 after a Dodo Boggio (Aspar Team) crash at 11 brought out the red flags, a five-lap dash decided the Hawkets ETC. Two tenths split the top four but it was once again Esteban who managed to fend off the competition for his third straight win, as Team Estrella Galicia 0,0 teammates Brian Uriarte and Rico Salmela - from the back of the grid - completed the podium ahead of fourth place Guido Pini (AC Racing Team).

Race 2 ended up being a bit more straight forward for Esteban. Contact between Uriarte and Pini caused the leading group to be broken up, and from there on, Esteban stretched his advantage to eventually take the chequered flag by more than 2.9s. However, a technical infringement saw his fourth win stripped, so after a mechanical problem in Race 1 and Long Lap penalty in Race 2, reigning Champion Martinez got his first points of the season on the board with P1 in what was a photo finish between himself and Pini in second. Boggio was promoted to P3 after his teammate's post-race misfortunes, as Esteban heads to Barcelona with a 13-point lead in the overall standings.

### Northern Talent Cup: Phommara and Moor win in Oschersleben



After Le Mans challenge, the second round of the Northern Talent Cup was raced at Oschersleben, Germany.



## Race 1

Lennox Phommara (Phommara Team) has shown his wet weather prowess before in the Northern Talent Cup, and the Swiss rider did it again in a wet Race 1 at Oschersleben. Making his way to the lead and then pulling a gap, the number 48 held off a late race charge from Kilian Holzer (HK Racing) to take his first win. Behind what became a duel for victory, Rossi Moor (FAIRIUM Next Generation Riders Team) completed the podium. After a Red Flag, some false starts and a restart - that then didn't feature Le Mans winner Kevin Farkas (Agria Racing Team) or Noa Cuypers (Junior Black Knights) - it was Tibor Varga (Forty Racing) who shot into the lead and pulled a huge gap. However, he then crashed out to begin a race of attrition in tricky conditions at Oschersleben. It became a group of five leading the way with a big gap for much of the race, but as the laps ticked down, Phommara pushed on. Heading onto the final lap the Swiss rider had a second and a half in hand and despite a late charge from Holzer, who cut a second out of the lead, Phommara kept it calm and collected to the line for his first NTC win. Holzer was forced to settle for second but that's his first podium, with Moor fading late on but still taking that all-important podium. Dustin Schneider (Goblin Racing) had a lonelier finish in fourth, ahead of a close battle for fifth won by Loris Veneman (TeamNL Open Line). Rocco Sessler (MCA Racing) and Martin Vincze (Chrobák Motorsport Egyesület) were close on his tail. Julius Coenen (HJRT - Helena und Julius Racing Team) took P8, with a three-way fight between Jurrien van Crugten (BB64 Academy), David Sidorov (SP - Moto Junior Team Ukraine) and Rio Olofsen (TeamNL Open Line) deciding ninth to 11th in that order.

## Race 2

Rossi Moor (FAIRIUM Next Generation Riders Team) struck on the last lap for his second win of the season, passing teammate Matteo Masili and able to keep the door shut to the line. Dustin Schneider (Goblin Racing), who was fastest in testing at the venue, completed the podium as the top three escaped for a rostrum-deciding showdown. Off the line it was Moor who got the holeshot and the Hungarian soon escaped from the pack, with Masili and Schneider for company. There was drama early on though as Noa Cuypers (Junior Black



Knights) crashed out leaving Tibor Varga (Forty Racing) nowhere to go, and a few more riders evading or tumbling out. But all ok, and Loris Veneman (TeamNL Open Line) facing a fight back to the front. Once that dust had settled, Race 1 winner Lennox Phommara (Phommara Team) was holding fourth in some space just off the front three, ahead of a big group fight for the last place in the top five. But then the Swiss rider slid out, leaving one three-way fight for the win. And, as ever, it went down to the final lap. Masili started that final lap in the lead and the Italian held firm until the end of the back straight, where Moor made his move. The Hungarian made it stick too, and there was no way back for his teammate as the number 92 took win number two of his season. Masili impressed with the podium finish in second, however, as did home rider Schneider as he took third and his first rostrum too. Jurrien van Crugten (BB64 Academy) won the fight for fourth ahead of Le Mans winner Kevin Farkas (Agraria Racing Team), with Rocco Sessler (MCA Racing) just thousandths further back. Martin Vincze ((Chrobák Motorsport Egyesület), Luca Göttlicher (JRP Junior Academy Team), Maxime Schmid (Team Schmid), Julius Coenen (HJRT - Helena und Julius Racing Team) and Kilian Holzer (HK Racing) locked out a super tight group down to 11th, with Veneman taking P12.

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





After the first round in Bulgaria and the second one in Romania, last weekend the EMX 65 / EMX 85 European Championship - South East zone was hosted at the new track in Edirne, Turkey.

### EMX 65

In race 1 qualifying winner Sami Dimitru won the holeshot leading from the start. Behind Georgi Ginov and Szoke Eros Mark fought for second place until the checkered flag. Both shown great talent and at the end Geogi Ginov got the better of him.

In the second heat Mark made the holeshot in front of Dimitru, who passed him at the first corner. At half race he crashed and Mark was back to the lead. Dimitru succeeded in finishing second and Ginov was third.

### EMX 85

Absent the zone leader, Dani Tsankov won the first race in Edirne. At the beginning Ioan Chiujdeca took the lead followed by Tudor Stefanescu and Dani Tsankov. After half lap Tsankov overtook both riders starting to ride his own race. Chiujdeca finished second and Stefanescu third.

Race 2 was similar to the first. Tsankov let no surprise and made a start to finish win. Chiujdeca finished second with safe distance to third Stefanescu.

### EMX65 Overall

1. Sami Dumitru, Romania
2. Szoke Eros Mark, Romania
3. Georgi Ginov, Bulgaria

### EMX85 Overall

1. Dani Tsankov, Bulgaria
2. Ioan Chiujdeca, Romania
3. Tudor Stefanescu, Romania

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



Exciting third round for the EMX 65 / EMX 85 European Championship - South West zone at the beautiful track of Talavera de la Reina, Spain.

### EMX 65

In race 1 championship leader Pau Caudet leaves the door open to qualifying winner, the Austrian Ricardo Bauer, who won ahead of the Spanish Celso Rodriguez and Alonso Parejo. In race 2 home rider Carlos Martin took the holeshot ahead of Bauer until four laps to the finish. At the end of a great battle, Bauer won in front of Martin and Trent Valsecchi, third.

### EMX65 Overall

1. Ricardo Bauer, Austria
2. Carlos Martin, Spain
3. Alonso Parejo, Spain

### EMX 85

In race 1 championship leader Italian Niccolò Mannini continues in what he is the best: winning heats. The French Amaury Maindruf finished second before the Slovenian Miha Vrha, getting his best seasonal results.

Race 2 was an amazing battle between Italian riders Filippo Mantovani and Mannini. They changed positions many times and at the end Mantovani had the best of him.

### EMX85 Overall

1. Niccolò Mannini, Italy
2. Yannic Lopez, France
3. Filippo Mantovani, Italy

### EMX Women's European Championship: great race for Mathea Selebø



After the races in Denmark and France, the third round of the EMX Women's European Championship was raced in Helsingborg, Sweden.

Not perfect race for the leader Line Dam, who finished third in both races, getting the third overall position. This time was the Norwegian Mathea Selebø to win thanks to a

second and a first position. One win and one second place for home rider, Matilda Huss, who finished second overall.

### Women Classification

1. Mathea Selebø, Norway
2. Matilda Huss, Sweden
3. Line Dam, Denmark

In the 125cc class leader Danee Gelissen finished second overall with a win and a third position. Even if German rider Alexandra Massury won, she's still second in the standing ahead of Tyra Bäckström, third in Swedish race too.

### 125cc Classification

1. Alexandra Massury, Germany
2. Danee Gelissen, The Netherlands
3. Tyra Bäckström, Sweden

### Speedway European Championship: Kubera won in Hungary





Third round of the Speedway European Championship in Nagyhalasz, Hungary.

It was an exciting meeting with a sunny weather in front of 2.000 home fans. Riders from fifteen different countries raced for the top five places leading into Speedway Euro Championship Challenge.

Well prepared and maintained track in Nagyhalasz didn't leave fans unsatisfactory with excellent racing and a lot of accidents and re-runs.

It was up to the last race of each rider to decide riders who will qualify to the SEC Challenge.

At the end an additional heat determined riders' positions and the best was Dominik Kubera. Behind him David Bellego and Marko Levishyn.

The next event will be on June 18<sup>th</sup> Stadium Matija Gubec, in Krsko, Slovenia.

### European Under23 Team Speedway Championship: Great Britain qualifies for Final



Semi-Final 1 for the European Under23 Team Speedway Championship in Pardubice, Czech Republic.

The meeting was run on a sunny windy day after a big thunderstorm on the previous night. Team from Great Britain showed real class with three equally good riders being led by faultless Daniel Bewley. Team Czech Republic fought to the last heath but two young riders in their team could not match the class of their older English counterparts. Czechs finished second only four points behind. Team France showed some promise as well as the Team Europe, which had only three riders and therefore could not end up better than last.

### Final results

Team Great Britain, 46 points

Team Czech Republic, 42 points

Team France, 21 points

Team Europe, 11 points

Great Britain is qualified for the final round of the European Under 23 Team Speedway Championship, that will be raced on October 10<sup>th</sup> in Poland.

The second Semi-Final will be on June 18<sup>th</sup> in Elgane, Norway.

### EMX Quad European Championship:

Saar dominance is thwarted by re-ignited Tvaraen





Second seasonal round for the EMX Quad European Championship. The race took place in Locket, in the Czech Republic.

### Race 1

As has been the case throughout much of the previous two seasons, Saar grabbed an early lead, with Tvaraen in second place and a flying Jan Brhel in third. This, however, was very short-lived as a mistake by Tvaraen saw Brhel take punishment, and crash out of podium contention, a great shame to what would have been a promising showing from the young Czech. Cappuccio used this to his advantage, and soon found himself in second place, being hounded by a resurgent Tvaraen, who had fell-victim to the red mist. Tvaraen swiftly passed Cappuccio and, with one goal in mind and adrenaline coursing through his veins, soon set about devouring the five-second advantage that Saar had built up in the meantime. Halfway into proceedings, and Tvaraen was right with Saar, almost riding pillion in fact! Soon enough, it became evident that Tvaraen was much stronger in the first quarter of the lap, with Saar managing to edge away in the remainder of the lap. Despite this, Tvaraen made a daring move for the lead, using a line that no one else throughout any of the sessions had sampled and, quite literally, jumped into the lead. Saar responded by clinging onto his rear fender for the remainder of the race. While this dramatic and frantic action was taking place up front, Cappuccio was feeling the pressure of Rik Haverdil and Joakim Granli, neither of which wanted to relinquish the final podium spot. With just two laps remaining, Saar once again took up the running, and led Tvaraen for all of half a lap, before Tvaraen found an opening, and placed his Yamaha firmly in the lead once more. Such was the pace of the diving duo that, by race end, they had built up an enormous 59-second advantage over Cappuccio!

Across the line they came, and after 25 minutes +2 laps of racing, all that separated Tvaraen from Saar was +0.444! In parc ferme after their incredible battle, their full respect for one another was proudly on display, as they shook hands and embraced after one of the greatest Quad races seen in the European championship. Cappuccio would join them on the podium, after fending off the challenges of Haverdil and Granli.



## Race 2

Early in the race, it was once again Saar and Tvaraen fighting for the lead, with the remainder of the pack vying for the final podium position, right from the get go. Saar's holshot placed him perfectly ahead of Tvaraen, and he managed to fend off the hard-charging Norwegian for the first half of the race. Haverdil found himself in third place, with Cappuccio, Granli and Roks for close company. Brhel and Sansom were both, unfortunately, absent from this race. Brehl had suffered injury to his shoulder and elbow in the incident in race 1, and Sansom had called it a day and gone back home. At mid-race distance, a slight mistake from Saar saw him lose the lead, and instead find himself five seconds behind Tvaraen; a gap that he would not close throughout the latter half of the race. Haverdil made a small mistake at the same time in the race, and this saw him drop down to fifth place, behind Roks and Granli. The battle for the final podium battle was a fierce one, and the pressure was soon evident as Granli found himself upside-down in the dirt and, therefore, out of podium contention. In the closing stages of the race, Haverdil seemed to have had a second-wind, as he found a space, and slotted himself back in front of Roks, a position he would not relinquish for the remaining portion of this second encounter. Tvaraen claimed victory, his second of the weekend, by an astonishing margin of over 20 seconds, ahead of a despondant Saar, and a beaming Haverdil. Further down the order, Granli managed to secure a top 10 finish after his unforced error, behind local rider Jakub Kostelecky.

## Race 3

The big question, prior to the third and final race getting underway, was can Tvaraen take a clean sweep? Could he be the fastest qualifier, and win all three races? Well, 25 minutes + 2 laps of frantic action would soon give us our answer. Once again, the holshot went to Saar, with Haverdil ahead of Tvaraen, as they hit the rolling jumps for the first time. Tvaraen soon deposed the CRQF rider to claim second place, and attempt to track down the Estonian. Further down the order, we had an enthralling battle for ninth place, consisting of Kasper, Roks, Tucek, Granli and Kostelecky, which would rage on for the



duration of this final race. Tucek would eventually lose a couple of positions, as a result of a small mistake towards the top end of the circuit. The Honda rider soon regrouped, and put up a great challenge in his charge up the timing screen, however, it was to no avail as Kasper and Roks had managed to put a considerable margin between themselves, and the rest of the group. Back at the front, Saar was back to his unstoppable self, opening up the gap over Tvaraen who, despite his best efforts, could not overcome the 20+ second deficit that was now between him and Saar. The battle for fourth place was a relatively lonely one, however, still as exciting as ever, with Haverdil defending fourth place from Cappuccio, all the way up to the flag. The young German proving once again, that he has the speed to fight for the top five, as well as the podium placings. Greeting the chequered flag, to take the win for the first time this weekend, was the 4-time European champion, and this meant that his collective sum of 69 points was enough to claim 2<sup>nd</sup> overall in the results. Tvaraen came across the line in a respectable second place, and this saw him edge Saar out of the gold-medal position, with a total of 72 points. We saw three different riders finish third place in the races, and this time it was Gwiazda who claimed 20 points.

### Overall Standings

1. Christopher Tvaraen
2. Kevin Saar
3. Rik Haverdil