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Trial European Championship: Italian round crowns the champions



The Trial European Championship raced round five, the last of this 2022 season, in Piazzatorre, a small mountain village in the north of Italy and it hasn't disappointed with a huge turn-out of fans ensuring an incredible atmosphere across the weekend.

In the super-competitive Women's Championship, a fourth position behind the podium was enough for Naomi Monnier (Gas Gas) from France to claim the title. In Piazzatorre the best was Huldeborg Barkved (Gas Gas) from Norway, who won ahead of British Kaytlyn Adshead (TRRS), second in the standings. Third step of the podium for Alice Minta (Scorpa), from Italy, while the bronze medal went to German Vivian Wachs (TRS).

There was a comfortable win in the Over 40 Cup for British rider Dan Clark (Beta), who finished the season with a 100% victory record. Already with four victories to his name



this year, he topped again the podium ahead of Staffan Floessel (Beta), from Finland, and Roman Vandas (TRRS), from the Czech Republic. The Finnish and the Czech finished second and third in the standings too.

In the Junior Cup Jone Sandvik (Sherco), from Norway, had an impressive race winning ahead of home riders Giacomo Brunisso (Beta) and Mirko Pedretti (Beta). The fourth position was enough for Polish rider Milosz Zynowski (Gas Gas) to conquer the Junior title. Silver medal for Sandvik, while German rider Jarmil Smith (Beta) took the bronze one with a final ninth position.

In the Youth Championship a 10 points penalty for riding the sections in the incorrect order did not stop British rider George Hemingway (Beta) securing a 100% victory 20 marks clear of runner up Phillipp Schmidt (Gas Gas) from Austria, with Norwegian rider Jonas Jorgensen (Beta) third on the podium. Spanish Xurxo Neo secured the second position in the standing with Johannes Heidel (TRRS) third.

In the European Championship amazing win for home rider Lorenzo Gandola (Beta). Just behind Harry Hemingway was second, securing the European Championship title only two weeks after becoming the first ever Trial3 World Champion. On the third step of the podium Pau Martinez (Vertigo) from Spain, second in the standing ahead of Austrian Marco Mempor (Gas Gas).

Trial Commission Chairman Mr. Magnus Liljeblad presented the prize giving ceremony declaring the great success with a full 5 round series held for the first time in several years due to the Covid Pandemic.



Final standing

European Championship

1. HEMINGWAY Harry
2. MARTINEZ Pau
3. MEMPOR Marco

Junior Cup

1. ZYNOWSKI Milozs
2. SANDVIK Jone
3. SMITH Jarmil

Over 40 Cup

1. CLARK Dan
2. FLOESSEL Staffan
3. VANDAS Roman

Youth Championship

1. HEMINGWAY George
2. NEO Xurxo
3. HEIDEL Johannes

Women's Championship

1. MONNIER Naomi
2. ADSHEAD Kaytlyn
3. WACHS Vivian

Yamaha R3 bLU cRU European Cup: Enzo Valentim claims 2022 title



In a dramatic final round of the 2022 Yamaha R3 bLU cRU European Cup, raced at Magny Cours Circuit, France, Enzo Valentim was crowned European Champion. Fellow Brazilian Kevin Fontainha edged out Devis Bergamini in the battle for second in the standings, while Gustavo Manso closed the season with a double victory.

Valentim's title win means he will contest the 2023 FIM Supersport 300 World Championship with full support from Yamaha, while Fontainha earns a wildcard ride and, alongside Bergamini, a 50 percent discount for the next Yamaha R3 bLU cRU European Cup campaign.

Having qualified on pole position this weekend, Valentim led the 22 young riders away in Race 1, holding his advantage as they filed through the first corner. However, while the #39 rider battled with Manso and Eduardo Burr on the sixth lap, title rival Bergamini made contact with Valentim's Yamaha R3, causing him to fall.

He was able to pick the bike back up and continue outside the points, while Bergamini continued to battle inside the podium places, needing to finish third to keep his title hopes alive.

Meanwhile, Manso pulled clear out front as the battle for second intensified between Bergamini, Burr, Grégory Carbonnel and Fontainha. Manso went on to take his second



victory of the season by almost three seconds, while the four behind fought right until the end.

French rider Carbonnel initially finished second but dropped to third after a penalty for track limits, promoting Fontainha. Bergamini's slim hopes of taking the title were over, as he crossed the line in fourth, which became seventh after a three-second time penalty was applied.

Burr finished fourth, with Australia's Archie McDonald beating home rider Clément Rougé in the battle over fifth. British youngster Brody Crockford was eighth, ahead of Thailand's Krittipat Keankum and Italy's Diego Palladino.

Valentim did eventually finish the race, albeit outside the points, but with a 32-point advantage over Bergamini the title was sealed.

In the final race, 11 riders found themselves in the hunt for victory in an epic scrap out front. Valentim, Manso and Indonesia's Wahyu Nugroho emerged as the main contenders, and on the last lap it was the Race 1 winner who claimed victory once again, after diving to the inside of a five-wide battle into the penultimate corner and holding off those behind on the run to the line.

Nugroho ended his season with another podium in second, while Carbonnel celebrated another third-place result. Valentim capped off his title-winning campaign in fourth, ahead of McDonald and Keankum.

Burr was seventh, with Fontainha's eighth-place result enough to see him jump ahead of Bergamini, whose six-second penalty dropped him to 11th, behind Poland's David Nowak and Rougé.