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European Under23 Team Speedway Championship: Germany hosted the QR



The Qualifying round of the European Under23 Team Speedway Championship took place in Stralsund, Germany. The city is located at the southern coast of the Strelasund, a sound of the Baltic Sea separating the island of Rügen from the Pomeranian mainland.

In a sunny day Teams from the Czech Republic, Great Britain, Sweden and Germany fought to qualify for the Final. In the end, the tournament was won by the Swedish team, which beat the Czech team by 9 points. Third place went to the UK team.

Jan Kvech (Czech Republic) was the best rider of the day with 13 points. Casper Henriksson was awarded the mayor's prize for his victory in the final race, in which the top competitors competed.

Now eyes on the Final, that will take place on July 22nd in Macon, France.

Final results

1. Sweden, 38 points
2. Czech Republic, 29 points
3. Great Britain, 28 points
4. Germany, 25 points

**Vintage Road Racing European Championship:
the season started in Denmark**



The Vintage Road Racing European Championship was back in action for the first event of the season at the Circuit of Ring Djursland, in Denmark.

Splendid weather conditions welcomed more than 30 riders from all over Europe, fighting in front of thousands of spectators.

Race 1 winners

Class 3 - Hans Henrik Pallesen, DEN

Class 4 - Benny Lysen, DEN

Class 5 - Benny Lysen, DEN



Class 6 - Lars Sandberg, DEN

Class 7a - Magnus Mossberg, SWE

Class 7b - Carl Frederiksen, DEN

Class 8b - Kjell Strömberg, SWE

Class 8d - Erik Helgerud, NOR

Class 8e - Gerd Schapelt, GER

Class 9a - Tore Stene, NOR

Class 9b - Björn Gunnarsson, SWE

Race 2 winners

Class 3 - Hans Henrik Pallesen, DEN

Class 4 - Bernd Pöllmann, GER

Class 5 - Bernd Pöllmann, GER

Class 6 - Lars Sandberg, DEN

Class 7a - Magnus Mossberg, SWE

Class 7b - Carl Frederiksen, DEN

Class 8b - Kjell Strömberg, SWE

Class 8d - Erik Helgerud, NOR

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EMX 65 / EMX 85 European Championship: North Europe, South East and South West zone

The EMX 65 / EMX 85 European Championship enters in the height of the season.



The city of Aloja, in Latvia, hosted the third round of the North Europe zone. A sunny and early summer weather welcomed more than 50 riders, in fight for the zone title.

In EMX65 the Estonian riders keep on ruling the championship. With full 50 points Georg Lootus (KTM) grab the first step of the podium ahead of home riders Patriks Cirulis (Husqvarna) and Martin Cirulis (Husqvarna), respectively second and third tied on points.

In EMX85, after two success in a row Estonian rider Travis Leok (Husqvarna) had to leave the scene to home rider Jekabs Hudolejs (GasGas). Thanks to a second position and a win the Latvian got the first step of the podium, tied on points with Leok, who still maintain the leadership of the championship with 147 points. Another podium also for Lucas Leok (Husqvarna), twice second.

EMX65 top three

1. Georg Lootus, EST
2. Patriks Cirulis, LAT
3. Martins Cirulis, LAT



EMX85 top three

1. Jekabs Hudolejs, LAT
2. Travis Leok, EST
3. Lucas Leok, EST

After the round of April in Greece and Bulgaria, the South East zone raced its third round in Afyonkarahisar, Turkey.

In EMX65, Serbian lady Ana Kolnookov (KTM) still dominated an extremely muddy Race1 and sunny Race2. With 25 + 25 points she got the third seasonal win ahead of Bulgarian Markov Pavel (KTM) and Romanian Daniel Marian (GasGas), who finished on equal points with a second and third place per race.

In EMX85, brilliant performance in the rain for the Romanian rider Sami Dumitru (KTM), who won also the Overall thanks to a second place in Race2. This time, championship leader Ginov Georgi (KTM) had to settle with the second position collecting a win in Race2 and a third place in Race1. Home rider Efe Okur (KTM) complete the top three thanks to a second and fifth place grab the third step of the podium.

EMX65 top three

1. Ana Kolnookov, SRB
2. Markov Pavel, BUL
3. Daniel Marian, ROU

EMX85 top three

1. Sami Dimitru, ROU
2. Ginov Georgi, BUL
3. Efe Okur, TUR



The beautiful track of Orehova Vas, close to Maribor, Slovenia, hosted the second round of the South West Zone. Thanks to the great job done by the organizers in the preparation of the track after the heavy rainy of the two weeks before the competition, all races were disputed with no problems.

In EMX65 class home riders Alex Novak (KTM) and Taj Golez (GasGas) got one win each, but thanks to the second position in Race2, Novak won the round ahead of Golez, third in Race1. Third overall position for Italian rider Francesco Assini (GasGas), second and fourth.

The EMX85 saw the double victory of Italian rider Riccardo Pini (KTM): in Race1 he passed Spanish rider Juan Izaguirre Pinto (KTM) in the last lap, while in Race2 the Italian took the lead from the start. Second in the first heat and third in the second one, Pinto was second overall ahead of Nicolò Alvisi (GasGas).

EMX65 top three

1. Alex Novak, SLO
2. Taj Golez, SLO
3. Francesco Assini, ITA

EMX85 top three

1. Riccardo Pini, ITA
2. Juan Izaguirre Pinto, SPA
3. Nicolò Alvisi, ITA

EMX 125 European Championship: amazing win in France for Valin

The fourth round of the EMX125 presented by FMF Racing in Villars sous Ecot delivered an amazing show especially for the French crowd.



In the first race, it was MJC Yamaha Official EMX125's Janis Martin Reisulis who made the fastest start and led the race to edge away quickly and creating a consequent gap with the rest. Behind him after lap 1 were Fantic Factory Team Maddii's Maximilian Werner and Vitezslav Marek and home rider 737 Performers GASGAS's Mathis Valin who after starting in 7th quickly went up to 4th on the turn of lap 1 and was determined to show the home crowd what they were waiting for.

Valin was ready to show all his qualities in front of the French public as he quickly overtook Marek and Werner to get to 2nd on lap 2. On lap 3, Reisulis was cruising 12 seconds ahead of Valin until he crashed and took too long to start his bike again and saw Valin pass him by to take lead. Reisulis picked himself up to 8th. Valin went on to deliver a very strong riding to win the first race on home soil. The red plate holder Reisulis had to settle for 6th in the end salvaging important point for the championship standings.

Marek kept his pace going and finished in 2nd place in front of the reliable Werner who finish 3rd in the end as the German continues to performer at the highest level. Sturm STC Racing Team's Mads Fredsoe, who also has shown very good quality so far in the season, went to move up from 6th to 4th on lap 3. The Danish had to battle to keep his 4th place with RFME GASGAS MXJUNIOR TEAM's Francisco Garcia who made a charge and passed him



on lap 12 with one lap to go. It was a great battle as Fredsoe managed to come back to take back his 4th place in the very last lap while Garcia settled for 5th.

Simone Mancini made a good start and rode within the top 10 through the whole race getting to 5th place until Garcia and Reisulis overtook him. Mancini settled for 7th in the end. Julius Mikula made his first top 10 of the season as he overtakes many times to get from 14th on lap 1 to 8th on the last lap as he overtook JK Racing Yamaha's Nicola Salvini. Salvini stayed consistent and finish 9th in the end while August Frisk showed good pace to finish 10th. Fantic Factory Team Maddii's Elias Escandell could not do better than 13th in the end while WZ Racing Team's Gyan Doensen finished 17th.

In race 2, Mancini was the fastest of the gates but it was Werner who quickly took the lead in front of Valin and Reisulis. Valin and Reisulis both passed Werner on lap 2 as both riders sustained very high pace to edge away from the rest. Werner settled for 3rd in the end to clinch another podium and continuing his consistent good ridings. Mancini could not keep his pace the whole race and moved down to 7th in the end.

Reisulis looked determined to make it count after his 6th place in race 1 and kept charging Valin for the lead. Valin held his ground for 3 laps but Reisulis let his power speaks to get on the inside of Valin and take the lead. Reisulis kept the lead until the end to win and going 6-1 for 2nd overall. For Valin it was a really special win with the public cheering for him on every sector of the circuit. With a confident 1-2, Valin displayed an immense performance to win the round on home soil.

After an average first race, Escandell showed his talent to go from 9th on lap 1 to 4th in the end with a nice overtake on Marek on the last lap. This confident race placed him 8th overall. Marek showed a good pace throughout the weekend and settled for 5th in the end to go 2-5 but unfortunately missed on his first podium of the season with a 4th overall.

It was a good weekend for Fredsoe as he managed to score good points in both races. Fredsoe climbed up to 4th for 2 laps to eventually moved down to 6th in the end for a 5th overall.



Garcia had a poor start as he found himself 14th on lap 1 but made several passes along the way to get back up to 8th on lap 4 where he stayed until the checkered flag. Overall Garcia went 8th for 6th overall showing a lot of good moves.

Frisk continued his solid weekend as he chased the 9th place with few overtakes on the way to go 10-9 for 9th overall which is a promising result to build on the next rounds. Behind him, Carlos Prat managed a good 10th place and a solid race to go 11th overall.

In the end, Mathis Valin showed his talent to respond present in his country, clinching a special win and important points to reduce the gap with red plate holder Janis Martin Reisulis who managed to show a lot of control and maturity to chase this second place on the podium after falling in race 1 and keep his red plate. Maximilian Werner keeps performing and showing really high level of riding every round as he settles for the third step of the podium.

EMX125 Presented by FMF Racing - Overall Top 10 Classification: 1. Mathis Valin (FRA, GAS), 47 points; 2. Janis Martins Reisulis (LAT, YAM), 40 p.; 3. Maximilian Werner (GER, FAN), 40 p.; 4. Vitezslav Marek (CZE, KTM), 38 p.; 5. Mads Fredsoe (DEN, KTM), 33 p.; 6. Francisco Garcia (ESP, GAS), 29 p.; 7. Simone Mancini (ITA, YAM), 28 p.; 8. Elias Escandell (ESP, FAN), 26 p.; 9. August Frisk (SWE, KTM), 23 p.; 10. Julius Mikula (CZE, YAM), 22 p

EMX125 Presented by FMF Racing - Championship Top 10 Classification: 1. Janis Martins Reisulis (LAT, YAM), 172 points; 2. Mathis Valin (FRA, GAS), 158 p.; 3. Maximilian Werner (GER, FAN), 135 p.; 4. Elias Escandell (ESP, FAN), 128 p.; 5. Vitezslav Marek (CZE, KTM), 127 p.; 6. Francisco Garcia (ESP, GAS), 112 p.; 7. Mads Fredsoe (DEN, KTM), 91 p.; 8. Alban Alm (SWE, HUS), 86 p.; 9. Nicola Salvini (ITA, YAM), 84 p.; 10. Gyan Doensen (NED, KTM), 77 p

S4 European Championship: double victory for Alex Ruiz Jimenez

Alex Ruiz Jimenez (L30 Racing TM Factory) came home with a solid double victory and an excellent result at the end of the racing day in Tramatzza, Italy. Kevin Vandl (L30 Racing

TM Factory) was second and is still the red plate holder, while the third place went to Francisco Gomez Requena (TM).



S4 Race 1

At the start of the first S4 race Alex Ruiz Jimenez (L30 Racing TM Factory) headed the field and was chased by Kevin Vandi (L30 Racing TM Factory), Francisco Gomez Requena (TM) and home rider Michele Cuccu (TM) who battled it out for the runner up spot. Ruiz set consistent laps and left rivals far behind, eventually being the protagonist of a solitary race. The second position was very desired and despite Vandi seemed to be able to manage the situation, he had to surrender to Gomez in the ninth lap. The race was filled with action, and with one lap to go, the Spanish rider was overtaken by Kevin Vandi who qualified second. Michele Cuccu finished fourth.

S4 Race 2

There was a lot of excitement at the start of the second heat, where several riders opened the gas before the red lights blinked off and were assigned a 15-second penalty, like Francisco Gomez Requena. Gomez took the lead but had to pass it to Alex Ruiz Jimenez

(L30 Racing TM Factory), followed by team-mate Kevin Vandi (L30 Racing TM Factory). Ruiz Jimenez opened a small gap which was enough for him to take the victory. Despite the penalty, Gomez Requena and Vandi battled it out for the second place with Vandi eventually conquering the position. Alex Ruiz Jimenez stepped on the first step of the podium joined by Vandi, second and current Championship leader, and Francisco Gomez Requena.

S4 Classification Top Ten

1. RUIZ JIMENEZ Alex (ESP, TM) Pts. 50,000 (25+25); 2. VANDI Kevin (ITA, TM) Pts. 44,000 (22+22); 3. GOMEZ REQUENA Francisco (ESP) Pts. 40,000 (20+20); 4. NAVARRIA Antonino Achille (ITA, Honda) Pts. 34,000 (16+18); 5. CUCCU Michele (ITA, TM) Pts. 34,000 (18+16); 6. PIRINA Manuel (ITA, KTM) Pts. 30,000 (15+15); 7. PAPALINI Lorenzo (ITA, TM) Pts. 27,000 (14+13); 8. STAAB Marie Louise (GER, Husqvarna) Pts. 25,000 (13+12); 9. DELONG Alexis (FRA, TM) Pts. 14,000 (0+14).

Moto2 European Championship European Talent Cup Stock European Championship

It was a stunning second round of the Moto2 European Championship, European Talent Cup and Stock European Championship at the Ricardo Tormo Circuit in Valencia, Spain.





Moto2

With just one race on the billing for the Moto2™ ECh, Senna Agius never looked threatened as he once again swept the field away to take a fine victory, his third of the season. In second place after a strong ride and resisting a late challenge from behind, it was a career-best result for Italian star Mattia Rato (AGR Team), who returned his team to the podium and likewise moved up in the Championship standings to second. Completing the podium after a scary start, where he got away much slower than his rivals, Carlos Tatay (Pertamina SAG Racing Team) fought back to finish third, denying Roberto Garcia what would have been a first podium in the category. Elsewhere, Harrison Voight's (Yamaha Philippines Stylobike Racing Team) front row start wasn't converted as he had a Long Lap Penalty to serve, then outbraked himself at Turn 8 before crashing out all together at Turn 6; he was thankfully OK. Agius remains the Championship leader with a perfect 75 points achieved.

ETC

The ETC races were absolutely electric; in Race 1, one of the greatest comebacks through the field that we've ever seen was accomplished, as Maximo Quiles - who was scheduled to start from pole - had to go from 25th on the grid on row nine due to riding slowly in all sectors during qualifying; he also had a Long Lap Penalty to serve. In the early laps, defending title winner Guido Pini (AC Racing Team), Alberto Ferrandez (Finetwork Mir Racing Team), standings leader Brian Uriarte (Team Estrella Galicia 0,0) and Dodo Boggio (Aspar Junior Team) to name all but a few, battled it out in classic ETC fashion, but before half-race distance, it was Quiles who came on through and hit the front at Turn 1, before clearing off into the distance for a stunning first win of 2023. Casey O'Gorman (VisionTrack Racing Team) was in the mix behind, along with Jesus Rios (MRE Talent), but the latter crashed with Ferrandez and O'Gorman at the final corner on the last lap. Pini took second, whilst Rico Salmela (Team Estrella Galicia 0,0) came through for P3. Quiles' win from P25 sets a new record for a win from the lowest grid slot, a record that stood since Matteo Patacca won from P17 in Valencia, 2018.



O’Gorman was out injured in Race 2 as his luckless start to 2023 season continued; going from pole and grabbing the holeshot on his way to a dominant double, Quiles was unrivalled at the Ricardo Tormo Circuit as he made it two wins, with three podiums from the first four races of 2023. The battle was fierce behind though and it was once again a final lap showdown. After looking for P2, Pini had to serve a Long Lap Penalty in the closing stages for exceeding track limits, which saw Uriarte and Ferrandez capitalise to complete the podium. Dodo Boggio (Aspar Junior Team) took fourth, but the day belonged to Quiles, who is the standings leader leaving Valencia by five points over Uriarte.

STK

Concluding the day of action, the Stock™ class. However, there was a red flag on Lap 2 after Daniel Brooks’ (Yamaha GV Stratos) bike expired, leaving his teammate Mihail Florov and Eric Fernandez (FAU55 TEY Racing) on the floor. After a delay as the track was cleared up, a new 12-lap race distance was set and it was a tense stand-off from Estoril winner and polesitter Daniel Muñoz and Fernandez, who remounted his bike and made the restart. Fernandez was quicker in the second half of the lap but it was a strong first half of the lap that gave Muñoz a crucial advantage in the overtaking hotspots, limiting his vulnerability to attack from behind to hold for a second win of the year. Fernandez took second, whilst Dino Iozzo (IUM Motorsports) was a strong third. Muñoz is unbeaten in 2023, thus remains the Championship leader.