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Tout Terrain Rally Cup: Ro Rally Marathon



The second event of the Tout Terrain Rally Cup was held in beautiful Romania from 18th to 23rd July with the Ro Rally Marathon, organized by Baja 500 Motorsport.

This prestigious event brought together rally raid and off-road motorsport enthusiasts from all over Europe and was organized under the aegis of FIM Europe and FRM.

The competition took place in Călărași, situated about 100 km east of Bucharest.

RO Rally Marathon participants covered impressive distances and passed through picturesque landscapes and extremely challenging terrain. The race took place over four very hot days, providing a continuous challenge and testing riders' skills.

German rider Matthew Gird (KTM) ruled day1 and day2, but in the third day of competition had to withdraw because of a crash. At the end Nicola Quinto (Husqvarna) from Italy took the lead of the Overall classification and won the race ahead of Libor Podmol (Husqvarna) from Czech Republic and Mateo Bottino (Beta) from Italy.

Race winners

M2 class - Milos Sochor (Husqvarna), CZE

M3 class - Nicola Quinto (Husqvarna), ITA

M4 class - Mateo Bottino (Beta), ITA

M5 class - Francesco Piocci (KTM), ITA

M6 class - Sulleyman Aydin (Yamaha), TUR

European 125cc Youth Track Racing Cup:

Mieszko Mudło is the new Champion



Racing on home soil, young rider Mieszko Mudło ruled the one event of the European 125cc Youth Track Racing Cup raced in in Gdank, Poland.

28 riders competed in a hard-fought Final, rich of overtaking and battles. The race was ruled by Polish riders and the final heat saw the challenge of 4 home riders.

The final podium positions were only decided in the afternoon's dramatic concluding heat which put Polish riders head-to-head. At the end Mieszko Mudło run out as clear winner of the event ahead of Krzysztof Harendarczyk and Jakub Plutowski.

Final top three

1. Mieszko Mudło, POL
2. Krzysztof Harendarczyk, POL
3. Jakub Plutowski, POL

European Under23 Team Speedway Championship: Poland claims the title



After the QR in Germany, the city of Macon in the east of France hosted the Final of the European Under23 Team Speedway Championship.

In perfect weather condition and in front of a large audience four teams battled for the title. Beside home team also team Sweden, that won in Stralsund in May, while teams Poland and Denmark were seeded into the meeting according to the 2022 season ranking. Weather was perfect for a thrilling evening race and track was very well maintained, providing good racing.

Polish U23 team confirmed its role of favourites, pushing hard from the beginning of the race. Even if the other teams started pulling up points, Polish U23 teams maintained the

advantage to the last heat deserving a clear win ahead of Denmark and Sweden. Fourth final position for home team.

Final results

1. Poland, 45 points
2. Denmark, 37 points
3. Sweden, 27 points
4. France, points

European Individual Grass Track Championship:

Romano Hummel retains European Grass Track title on wet Wertle weekend



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Romano Hummel sailed through the rain-soaked conditions in Wertle, Germany, to retain the European Individual Grass Track Championship title. In one evening when the weather did all it could to cause problems to the track and riders, the Dutch stayed calm and focused, riding unbeaten his four scheduled qualifying heats and conquering a deserved title.



That is the final result at the end of heat 16 and before the planned finals could be raced. In fact, at that point the FIME Jury declared that the conditions had deteriorated due to the heavy rain, such that the meeting could not safely continue any further.

Four race wins and 20 points, two points ahead of his nearest rival Chris Harris, allowed Hummel to get the title. The two fierce rivals faced each other in heat 4 after both comfortably won their opening races. "Bomber" Harris gated but Hummel hunted him down and produced a stunning high-speed pass that the Englishman couldn't fight back from. Hummel then completed the clean sweep by gating and winning by some distance in his other two races.

As happened in the previous years, the rostrum was filled again with two British riders, as Harris took second after scoring 18 points and Andrew Appleton -riding under an Austrian licence- finished third with 16 points, after winning heat 16. Appleton won this race 10 seconds slower than the quickest time on the night, which fully demonstrated just how badly conditions had deteriorated before the decision taken by the FIME Jury President.

The unluckiest rider of the night was Dave Meijerink. The Dutchman finished fourth, but was left kicking himself for a self-inflicted error in heat 4, when he lost control and fell while he was leading the race by a clear 100 meters. Meijerink easily won his other three qualifying heats and so would have been tied level with Hummel but for his fall.

The top five see Mika Meijer and Henry Van Der Steen respectively fifth and sixth after scoring 15 and 11 points respectively.

Top three

1. Romano Hummel, NED
2. Chris Harris, GBR
3. Andrew Appleton, GBR

EMX Quad European Championship:

Karl Robin Rillo is the new leader after round three in Northern Ireland



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Third round of the EMX Quad European Championship was held this weekend in Northern Ireland in Redbrae Park, an international event run together with the Sidecarcross GP, which has returned here after 43 years.

Qualifications were run on Friday and it was British rider Mark McLernon (Yamaha) who won the qualifying race. Heavy hitters of the Championship, Italian Patrick Turrini (Yamaha) and Estonian Karl Robin Rillo (Yamaha), which were tied in points as leaders of the Championship after the first two events could only finish 4th and 6th respectively, not finding immediately the optimal setup needed for this traditional British motocross track.

Rain was a major factor that influenced Saturday's races, as the track became very muddy forcing the cancellation of the warm-up. It was again local rider McLernon who managed to win Race 1 by a comfortable margin, leaving his chasers Kacper Mieszkowski from Poland in second place and Patrick Turrini from Italy in third place behind by a 6 seconds gap and an impressive 31 second gap. In the fight for survival in the mud, Estonian rider



Karl Robin Rillo finished only in sixth position, opening the door for Turrini's escape in the front of the Championship.

Second race saw an immediate withdrawal of McLernon due to a mechanical problem in the first lap while Patrick Turrini was in the lead by a comfortable margin for half of the race. Unfortunately for Turrini, instead of grabbing maximum points, he had to settle for 12th place as his quad broke down halfway. After a bad start, Karl Robin Rillo of Estonia picked up riders in front of him one by one until reaching third position, thus securing his third place on the overall podium. Race 2 was won by Lithuanian Laurynas Mikalauskas, who won the overall by 1 point in front of Polish rider Kacper Mierzkowski.

Teenager Jan Brehl from Czech Republic had a very promising evolution despite his young age, finishing second in the Race 2 but missing out on the podium also by 1 point.

After this round the new Championship leader is Estonian Karl Robin Rillo who is in front by 6 points to Italian Patrick Turrini while heading to next's week's round in Gusses Corse (United Kingdom).