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European Trial Championship in Grimmelalp (Switzerland) - Day 2



Italian rider Gianluca Tournour won today the Trial European title in the main class - Photo by Mario Candellone

Today in Grimmelalp, Switzerland, the Italian rider Gianluca Tournour (Gas Gas) conquered the European title. Two more titles were assigned: to French Pierre Sauvage (Sherco) in the Junior Cup class and to Vladimir Kothay (Ossa) from Slovakia, in the Over 40 Cup class. Yesterday Theresa Baeuml (Ossa) and Toby Martyn (Beta) had already won the title of European champions after winning respectively the last round of the FIM Europe Trial Women and Youth championship.

In the **top class** all the eyes were focused on the duel between the two riders who shared the first position in the championship: Tournour and Francesc Moret (Vertigo). The former, leader from the beginning of this 2015 series gave proof not to suffer the pressure of his rival and faced this last competition very concentrated and determined from the beginning.

Even if today the rain made the obstacles very slippery, the Italian rider scored 12 points in the 15 sections at the end of the first loop. Moret faced the sections after him and probably because of the pressure he made some mistakes. His first loop card carried 26 marks. Between them Iwan Roberts (Beta) who already in Belgium had shown his good skill: today he got only 21 penalties.

Moret's hopes to recover faded as Tournour continued on the same high level in the second lap. He scored 13 points which, added to the 12 in the first lap, were in total less than the penalties



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Moret scored in one lap. The other positions did not change, Roberts finished ahead of Moret.

In the championship Moret is second before Steven Coquelin (Gas Gas), winner of one round.

In the **Junior Cup** Pierre Sauvage dominated his class and really deserved the title. He scored 5 and 6 points in the two laps. No chances for Luca Corvi (Scorpa), who was able to catch only the runner-up position, because of a very bad first lap. Third position for Max Faude (Beta), while Manuel Copetti (Scorpa), who at the first half of the race was second, slid to the fifth position. The podium of today was the same as the final championship.

In the **Over 40 Cup** today Vladimir Kothay was beaten by Dominique Guillame (Scorpa) from Switzerland, a veteran of the Scottish Six Days (until now he has attended 21 editions) but he won the European title. The only chance for his main rival John Van Veelen was to win this last race, but he finished in fourth position, beaten also by Valter Feltrinelli (Sherco). In the championship Van Veelen is second before Feltrinelli.

In the **International 1 Class** Dominik Wuensch (Gas Gas) from Czech Republic topped the podium, while in the **International 2 Class** the victory went to Robin Schmidt (Sherco), from Germany.



Pierre Sauvage won today the European Trial Junior cup - Photo by Mario Candellone

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