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Oggetto: OPENING ROUND OF THE MX3 AND EURO 125 CHAMPIONSHIPS IN FRANCE

Opening round of the MX3 World Championship in Castelnau de Lévis (France) on April 1st and 2nd

Once more the first weekend of April will be busy for the Motocross fans, as the three individuals World Championships will kick-off the same day. The MX1 and MX2 riders will be in Zolder (Belgium) for the Karcher GP of Flanders, while the MX3 and Euro 125 competitors will be in Castelnau de Lévis (France).

Located in the South-West part of France (near Albi) the track of Castelnau already welcomed in the past many GP's (125 in 1986 and 1995, 500 in 1999, Sidecar in 1994, 1997, 2001 and 2004) and met last year the opening round of the MX3 and 125 European Championships. Sixty-one MX3 riders sent an entry form to the French Federation, while eighty-two will enter the 125 European series.

2004 World Champion and vice-world Champion last year, Frenchman Yves Demaria will be the favourite of the GP aboard his factory KTM. Winner here in 1999 (500 GP) and perfectly used to this fast and spectacular track, Demaria did a strong race two weeks ago in Pernes les Fontaine (3rd overall) and has a really high motivation for his 19th GP season! Reigning World Champion and teammate Sven Breugelmans will be his main rival, as KTM is once more the strongest team involved in this class. Among the fifty-nine other riders Italians Christian Beggi (2004 Vice-Champion), Enrico Oddenino (5th in the standings last season), Daniele Bricca or Christian Stevanini, Swiss Marc Ristori, Czech Martin Zerava, Austrian Michael Stauffer and Slovenian Saso Kragelj are some of the main opponents to the KTM duo. Sixteen countries will be involved in this opening round.

Always exciting, the 125 European Championship will be more than a 'support' race. Vice Champion last season Belgian Dennis Verbruggen is the favourite but on this typical track the French kids will be as always strongly motivated. Steven Frossard (KTM), Frédéric Sandouly (Yamaha), Marvin Musquin and Loïc Rombault (Kawasaki) and Timotei Potisek (Honda) are some of the new talents who expect to succeed to Jeremy Tarroux, the 2005 Champion.

The strong facilities (including the new paddock area with modern infrastructures) and the perfect view on the track will offer a nice MX weekend to everyone in Castelnau de Lévis. For more informations: 33 (5) 63 60 58 89.

MX3 ENTRY LIST

1 BREUGELMANS Sven FMB
 5 ODDENINO Enrico FMI
 6 ZERAVA Martin ACCR UFO Racing Team
 7 STAUFER Michael OeAMTC Schruf Racing

8 KRAGELJ Saso AMZS YAMAHA Kragelj Racing
10 COMPAGNONE Felice FMI
11 SIPEK Nenad HMS YAMAHA Ricci Team Racing
15 BEGGI Cristian FMI
17 KUCIREK Miroslav ACCR UFO Racing Team
20 STEVANINI Cristian FMI
21 MANNEH Bader FSM
23 APERIO Matteo FMI
26 CADEK David ACCR KTM CZ
30 NIKKILA Jussi SML YAMAHA
31 JENSEN Kasper DMU YAMAHA Team Nellemann
32 ANDERSEN Tonni DMU SUZUKI
33 VANGSBAKKEN Kristen NMF SUZUKI
34 ZECCHIN Matteo FSM
36 AMBEIS Mathieu FFM YAMAHA
37 BOZIC Danijel HMS KTM
38 SPINDLER Miha AMZS HONDA AMD Sitar Dunlop
39 VIGUIER Jérôme FFM SUZUKI Jey and Co
40 WEIGERT Frédéric FMB
41 ANDERSEN Mickael DMU SUZUKI
42 VAN HERCK Kenny FMB
43 MOROZAV Roman FMU SUZUKI
44 ANDREO Jean Patrick FFM YAMAHA
45 DEMEESTER Arnaud FFM YAMAHA
46 GRELIER Aurélien FFM HONDA Sport Motorel
47 HEMERY Jérôme FFM YAMAHA
48 MARTIN Christophe FFM KTM KTM France
49 OVAA Casper KNMV SUZUKI
50 FERRY Mickaël FFM YAMAHA
51 DOUTAZ Mathieu FMS DB Mx Team
52 IVANYUTIN Alexander MFR YAMAHA
53 BOBRYSHV Evgeny MFR KTM
54 VAN HOENACKER Dimitri FMB
55 ZAREMBA Jan ACCR
56 MONTAGNI Danilo FMI
57 CASUCCI Marco FMI
58 FACCIOLI Gianluca FSM
59 BRICCA Daniele FMI
60 ANDREANI Luca FSM
61 FRANCESCHI Federico FSM
62 FERRARI Fabio FSM
63 PASHCHYNSKY Oleksandr FMU KTM
64 SROMS Nils LaMSF
65 OVTCHARENKO Oleksiy FMU KTM
66 ASMANOV Anton FMU KTM
67 SCHELFAUT Brik FMB
68 OUN Aveni EMF KTM Motoextreme
69 RAATS Veiko EMF SUZUKI
70 VAN NOOTEN Jurgen FMB
71 MAY John ACU SUZUKI
78 DEMARIA Yves FFM
85 WOUTERS Sven FMB
92 EMERY Maxime FFM KAWASAKI
100 BAKKE Ronny NMF HONDA
101 KUMANOV Nikolay BMF

104 JANSSENS Tom DMSB KAWASAKI
 115 RISTORI Marc FMS DB Mx Team

125 EUROPEAN ENTRY LIST

2 VERBRUGGEN Dennis MUL YAMAHA
 5 VAN VIJFELJKEN Rob KNMV YAMAHA
 7 VAN Hastenberg Jan KNMV HONDA
 17 FROSSARD Steven FFM KTM
 21 BUSIN Cédric MUL YAMAHA
 22 SANDOULY Frédéric FFM YAMAHA
 23 KALLIES Christofer SVEMO SUZUKI
 33 ROMBAUT Loic FFM KAWASAKI
 37 SJOO Calle SVEMO KTM
 39 DAHL Toni SVEMO HUSQVARNA
 42 AKERBLOM Mats SVEMO KAWASAKI
 47 ELGH Alexander SVEMO YAMAHA
 50 ROELANTS Joel MUL KTM
 51 MARTENS Yentel MUL KTM
 52 VANDUEREN Kenny MUL KTM
 52 ERIKSSON Marcus SVEMO KTM
 53 GORIS Rob MUL KAWASAKI
 64 VONGSANA Khounsith FFM KTM
 66 BOBRYSEV Eugeny MFR KTM
 77 TERREBLANCHE Shannon MUL KTM
 81 THOM Daniel SVEMO HONDA
 86 KARLSSON Fredrik SVEMO YAMAHA
 112 LESAGE Maxime FFM HONDA
 151 POTISEK Timotei FFM HONDA
 188 RAU Tommy SMF KTM
 311 BECHIS Lucas FFM SUZUKI
 525 MUSQUIN Marvin FFM KAWASAKI
 979 COISY Benjamin FFM HONDA
 NEUGEBAUER Filip ACCR
 MALUUS Vaclav ACCR KAWASAKI
 BEKANOVIC Rok AMZS HONDA
 IRT Matevz AMZS YAMAHA
 IRT Jernej AMZS KAWASAKI
 PATERNU Kristian AMZS YAMAHA
 KRESTINOV Gert EMF KTM
 RATSEP Kristjan EMF HONDA
 KUUSK Edik EMF KAWASAKI
 LEOK Martin EMF KTM
 NASSAR Taavi EMF YAMAHA
 IZOIRD Fabien FFM HONDA
 BANKEN Jonathan FMB
 DIERCKX Dennis FMB
 LAUREYSSSEN Jan FMB
 CREMER Cédric FMB
 NOUWEN Kenji FMB
 DELAYE Jérémy FMB
 JANSSENS Nick FMB
 DECOUTER Roland Jr FMB
 PHILIPPAERTS Deny FMI
 BAIMA BESQUET Simone FMI

POLIDORI Alessio FMI
LORENZON Daniele FMI
MANZONI Giodano FMI
PAGLIACCI Alessandro FMI
SOMMARUGA Giovanni FMI
D'ATTILIO Federico FMI
FELLAY Steve FMS KTM
BESSARD Yvan FMS KTM
STADLER Mike FMS KAWASAKI
LELJAK Marko HMS KTM
GOLUB Karlo HMS YAMAHA
SAMEC Antonio HMS
BRAKKE Herjan KNMV HONDA
VAN HAUT Coen KNMV YAMAHA
KRAS Mike KNMV SUZUKI
VAN OOSTERBOSCH Bram KNMV KTM
ROOS Patrick KNMV KAWASAKI
TUIN Nick KNMV YAMAHA
VAN DE VEN Rinus KNMV KTM
WOUTS Kevin KNMV YAMAHA
STEINBERGS Ivo LaSMF YAMAHA
KEMPELIS Filips LaSMF HONDA
ZELKO Stefan MAMS HONDA
NAUDE Sacha MSA YAMAHA
NYEGAARD Rémi NMF HONDA
ZDUNEK Maciej PZM KTM
ALVAREZ Raul RFME KTM
KULHAVY Josef SMF HONDA
KOHUT Martin SMF HONDA
REMES Eero SML HONDA
PIRINEN Jukka SML KTM
MAKINEN Tommi SML HONDA