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125 FRENCH ELITE MOTOCROSS CHAMPIONSHIP 2006 FOURTH ROUND IN ST JEAN D'ANGELY

ANOTHER SUCCESS FOR SEBASTIEN

Event: French Elite Championship, round 4 of 6 Location: Saint Jean d'Angely (Charente Maritime)

Weather: sunny

Saint Jean d'Angely, one of the most famous French tracks, met this week-end the French Elite Championship. Sébastien Pourcel scored his third overall win of the season, and it was another good event for the team GPKR as Christophe finished third overall while Gregory Aranda entered the "top ten" of the series.

Fastest rider during the qualifying sessions (he was even faster than the Open class riders), Christophe was involved in a pile-up at the start of the first race and broke his brake pedal! Starting the race in second position, Sébastien took the lead in the opening lap and got another win, while Gregory scored an eighth position.

Christophe got his revenge at the second start; he claimed the holeshot and did a strong race to collect an easy win, followed by Sébastien. Ninth, Gregory Aranda confirmed his progress since the begining of the season.

The last race saw the "125" riders against the "Open" class. Christophe got a good start in fourth position, and came back in second position just behind Yves Demaria. Despite a bad start and a crash during the heat, Sébastien finished fifth and won the overall classification, increasing his championship lead with two more races to go.



Roger (Pourcel), Patrick (Geladé), Sébastien, Christophe and their mechanics will fly on Tuesday to Tokyo. Then they will move to Sendai, home of the fifth Grands Prix of the season.

Roger Pourcel: « Once more we got a strong result for the team with Seb and Cri on the podium. Unfortunately Christophe was involved in a pile-up at the first start, he broke his rear brake and later had gear box troubles and retired. Except this problem it was a good weekend for us, we were using new cylinder head and had no troubles. The boys got good start, I just hope that now Sébastien will not have any problem during the GP's as he couldn't get yet the results he deserves. We leave on Tuesday for Japan, Gregory will stay in France; he retired in the super final as he was tired, he has now a treatment to recover physically and will be back in Bulgaria."

First heat 125: **1.S.Pourcel** (**Kawasaki GPKR**); 2.Renet (Honda); 3.Frossard (KTM); 4.Aubin (KTM); 5.Boissière (Yamaha); 6.Demartis (Honda); 7.Annelot (Honda); **8.Aranda** (**Kawasaki GPKR**); 9.Roux (Yamaha); 10.Charlier (Yamaha); etc....

Second heat 125: **1.C.Pourcel (Kawasaki GPKR); 2.S.Pourcel;** 3.Aubin; 4.Boissière; 5.Demartis; 6.Frossard; 7.Annelot; 8.Coisy (Honda); **9.Aranda;** 10.Roux; etc....

Super Final (125 and Open class): 1.Demaria (KTM); **2.C.Pourcel**; 3.Leuret (Honda); 4.Coulon (Suzuki); **5.S.Pourcel**; 6.Allier (Yamaha); 7.Boissière; 8.Turpin (Yamaha); 9.Berthome (KTM); 10.Renet; etc....

Championship standings (after 4 races): **1.S.Pourcel 277**; **2.C.Pourcel 241**; 3.Aubin, 200; 4.Boissière, 156; 5.Renet, 153; 6.Demartis, 139; 7.Annelot, 126; 8.Frossard, 117; 9.Roux, 109; **10.Aranda, 81**; etc....

Next races: Iffendic (25/6), Lacapelle (13/8)

