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## 2005 FIM SUPERMOTO WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

RACES GP8-ITALY (Latina)

## First World titles for Delepine and Chambon !

Weather: sunny

Length of the track: 1684 meters (1384m asphalt and 300m off-road) Temperature: 20°C in the air, 24°C on the asphalt

The final round of the 2005 FIM Supermoto World Championship didn't offer us any surprise, and Boris Chambon in the S2 class as well as Gerald Delepine in the S1 category kept their red plate in Latina. None of them won the GP:. Adrien Chareyre and Thierry Van Den Bosch claimed the last success of the season.

Before the start of the opening race Eddy Seel was penalised and started from the last row as he stopped alongside the pit lane during the warm-up laps. Coming from the super-pole Thomas Chareyre got the holeshot and led the opening laps followed by Max Verderosa, Boris Chambon and Adrien Chareyre. Boris and Adrien both passed Verderosa but were unable to catch Thomas, who unfortunately broke his engine in the twelfth circulation. Boris won the race followed by Adrien and Frederic Bolley, while Eddy Seel didn't score any point after a collision with his teammate Troy Herfoss in the first lap. Chambon got the holeshot of the second race followed by Thomas and Adrien Chareyre; Thomas offered the second position to his brother who passed later Chambon in the off-road section during the fifth lap. At mid-race the Chareyre brothers were leading and finally Adrien won followed by Thomas. Third Boris Chambon collected the world title while Adrien Chareyre got the GP win, and offered the manufacturer's title to Husqvarna. With three points between Chambon and Chareyre for the rider's title, and a single one between the two brands this season was the tighter in the history of Supermoto.



Bernd Hiemer got the holeshot in the first heat and led the opening laps, but Thierry Van Den Bosch passed him after five circulations. The Frenchman won easily, followed by Hiemer, Jurgen Kunzel and Gerald Delepine who secured safe points. VDB got another holeshot in the following heat and led the entire race, but even with this double win he couldn't renewed his title as Delepine scored a sixth place and enough points to keep the red plate. Twice runner-up behind VDB Bernd Hiemer is the 2005 vice-champion, and KTM claimed the manufacturers title by two points.



Boris Chambon. "It was difficult for me as I came here with a lot of pressure, there was only one point between Eddy and me and five with Adrien. The most important was to qualify on the front row, and unfortunately for him Eddy had a problem before the first race. Then I had to control Adrien in the last race, I knew that a fourth place was enough to clinch the title if he won. I didn't take any risk and finished third, it's really nice to be crowned here! I was so disappointed after Namur, I couldn't believe that I could reach the title this season. In fact KTM worked pretty hard on the bike and when I started to win races the confidence came back. I think that it was a good decision to move in S2, I feel more comfortable in this class."

Gerald Delepine. "This week-end I knew that the most important was to secure good points, not to win the race. I rode pretty safe in both heats, and didn't try to battle with VDB, Hiemer or Kunzel. In the second heat I made a mistake at the end of the off-road section and crashed, but I just lost one position. It's amazing to get the title, and I would like to thanks Husqvarna and my team who gave me a chance in Supermoto. Of course I've also to thanks my father, he offered me my first bike and gave me interest for motocross and later supermoto."

Information and results on <u>www.supermotoS1.com</u>, the official website of the Supermoto World Championships.

