



## EUROPEAN FEDERATION OF RADIO OPERATED MODEL AUTOMOBILES

### EFRA GP of Slavkov u Brna

The fourth EFRA GP at the date of June 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> was in Slavkov u Brna in the Czech Republic. It is the place where the French emperor Napoleon Bonaparte won a important battle 200 years ago against a Austrian Russian alliance, the old name is Austerlitz. There are a lot of places to visit at this historic battlefield, but we are more peaceful and come together to drive the model car race.

The weather situation was very hot and sunny at Friday, Saturday afternoon the rain came and destroyed the third heat, the fourth heat was complete wet. At Sunday it began with blue sky in the morning, after midday, at the end of the F1 final it began to rain, but it was a short shower. At the beginning of the Saloon final it was a wet track only. Than the sun come back and at the price giving ceremony we had blue sky again.

The track is located inside the village of Slavkov, it is the parking lot of the old Bus station. The surface looks like a big whaleback, in this case all the corners are banked to the outside (hanging corners to explain). Because there is a very small space to the fence outside the danger to kiss the fences is high. The long straight is channelled at both sides with wooden barriers, you see above. Some of the drivers get a new experience, they had to learn the difference between grass or wood. But the guy with the blue Volvo finally had luck and he could continue without any major damage.



So 28 drivers in Saloon and 9 in the Formula category found the way to the pit lane.

In Formula 2 non Czech pilots, but in the Saloon some of the real top drivers are present like Martin Bayer as the top home driver, Markus Feldmann, Christof Flakowski both from Germany and Cedric Prevot from France.

The time schedule was in that way to make all the heats at Saturday, Sunday morning the lower finals and the half finals of the Saloon cars, than after the midday break at first the Formula final, than the Saloon car final.

The ranking after the heats was Martin Bayer (CZ), Markus Feldmann (D), Cedric Prevot (F) and Martin Pater (CZ) all of them with a FG. The winner of the half final B was Marcus Feldmann and the winner of the half final A was Cedric Prevot, and he got the pole for the final.

The final of the Formula cars saw as winner the local top driver Martin Bayer in front of Martin Pater, like said above the rain at the end of the race made it very difficult to drive for everyone, some of them changed to rain tires, the leading cars drove till to the end with the slot tires. Refueling is allowed now, it was done without any problems.



But after the track was wet and in the moment nobody could say that there come more of rain or not, some of the drivers decided to don't drive under this conditions. In this case the final found 4 cars at the grid. But our sport is a so named free air competition and rain is nota problem in Europe. There is no space in the rules to delete the final in case of rain, maybe to begin a little bit later to get better conditions. In this case the final was started and the Belgium driver got the lead, a quarter of a lap behind the Austrian. Both seems to be experienced in this wet conditions because they got a big gap to the both Czech drivers immediately. Than the sun came out, the track began to get more and more dry, an other Czech driver entered the race to have 5 cars in competition. The Belgian pilot got problems with to much grip in the front and the Austrian overtook, got the lead and won with 1 lap in front. But both drivers told me to be lucky to have the chance for the win and both never thought to get this chance.



## Final Results Touring Car

place	name,	first name	nation	laps	time
1	STREITH,	Heimo	Austria	72	30.13,75
2	POELMANS,	Jimmy	Belgium	71	30.10,86
3	BAYER,	Ales	Czech Republic	59	30.04,95
4	BAYER,	Martin	Czech Republic	16	9.38,19
5	PATER,	Martin	Czech Republic	9	30.12,85
6	PREVOT,	Cedric	France	DNS	
7	FELDMANN,	Markus	Germany	DNS	
8	UTZ,	Ernst	Germany	DNS	
9	FLAKOWSKI,	Christoph	Germany	DNS	
10	SULER,	Jan	Czech Republic	DNS	

## Final Results Formula 1

place	name,	first name	nation	laps	time
1	BAYER,	Martin	Czech Republic	101	35.12,46
2	PATER,	Martin	Czech Republic	100	35.12,83
3	CEVELA,	Drahomir	Czech Republic	95	35.18,87
4	BAYER,	Ales	Czech Republic	95	35.23,29
5	TOUL,	Marek	Czech Republic	94	35.24,26
6	FRANA,	Frantisek	Czech Republic	88	35.24,54
7	KOLARIK,	Josef	Czech Republic	35	22.29,09
8	HECK,	Rolf	Germany	17	5.55,71
9	DAY,	Ivo	Austria	4	13.56,11



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