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### Report Slavkov

The third EFRA GP this year, at the date of June 10. and 11th 2006, was held at the track of Slavkov, the old name is Austerlitz, well known from the history as a historic battlefield of the Napoleon area. So this year napoleon look down from the sunny heaven and the Marseillaise was played in honour of a French driver who made it. But all later, before I had to say that the weather was beautiful, warm and sunny, a perfect event of the Czech organizer, who offer a complete pig on the open fire for the driver dinner at Saturday evening. It also was the birthday of Martin Bayer, the top driver of the Czech and son of the track owner. He is 18 years young now, but at the race day he was not as good as normal in case of the birthday party at Saturday night.

45 drivers in the saloon and 11 participants in the Formula category show up at the starting line. So the pit lane was well filled up, but not crowded. Less space was at the parking area, everyone want to place his car as near as possible to the entry, so this gave more troubles. A lot of drivers come with Motor homes, they are parked like the fish in the can.



The picture above show the main building of the track in the middle the drivers stand, right hand behind are the lavatories, than more to the right the restaurant in wood. Outside the picture at the right is the boiling pig on the open fire. The track is built on the old bus station and have the shape of a whale back, so all the outside corners are banked to the outside. Driving direction is anti clockwise. Ther fence around is close to the track and to kiss the wall is easy, so a lot of repair was done in the pits. But the whole area is nice, sun was shining and the feeling was beautiful. A perfect race was done, clean driving by all the drivers.



The picture at the left show the two big concurrent's of the event, Cedric Prevot at the left and Markus Feldmann at the right, both driving a FG Evo 4 car. Both are friends, so to meet for a friendly conversation is normal. The whole feeling of this event was close to a friendship race, friendly and smiling faces. At Friday was free practise all the day, a lot of drivers come all the day and the parking area was filled up more and more with cars and Motor homes. The tech inspection did a hard job and send back all drivers who come to the weight control with filled up fuel tanks. And some of the national drivers wanted to use the not homologated DTM bodies, the tech inspector had to do a hard job to explain the situation and the rules to them.

All the heats are done at Saturday, in the morning one round of timed practise and than 4 rounds of qualifying. The ranking after that at Saturday evening was Martin Bayer CZ, Markus Feldmann D, Cedric Prevot F and Martin Lissau DK, all on FG Evo04. As remark I was told that here at this track the tire conditioners don't work at all, so there was nothing to see about. And than the drivers dinner after the heats in the evening. The organizer had prepared the roasted pig on open fire, also the birthday cake from Martin Bayer was displayed and gone in a short time. A

beautiful evening under friends, I can say. Later in the party continue at the camping area with harmonica play and songs, bad for the sleep of the old man.

At Sunday morning a lot of participants had small eyes and it began with the lower sub finals. Also both half finals are finished before midday, all favourites had a good run. Markus Feldmann show a good competition in the half final B as he got a stop and go for jump start and had to overtake the whole bundle to get back to the lead. Sensational fast driving, he show that he is one of the best. Martin Bayer drove a little bit handicapped by his birthday party, Cedric Prevot won the half final A but was slower as Markus Feldmann who got the lead for the final.

After the midday break it began with the Formula 1 final. They drove 45 minutes with the allowance to refuel the cars in the race. There are some slow drivers in this race, it is the problem if there are less participants, so everyone comes to the final and it comes to some crashes by this situation. The winner of the race was Zvonimir Matosic from Croatia, he had the best tactic, second was Drahomir Cevela, a Czech driver with a Austrian license, third was Vladimir Plh (no mistake, this is his name, how to spell) from the Czech Republic.



And than the final of the Saloon cars. Like mentioned before, Martin Bayer was not real able to compete. From the start Markus Feldmann got the lead, close behind followed by Cedric Prevot who want to overtake at the door handle, a sensational good action without any crash and bump. Markus Feldmann was able to fight back this time. Meanwhile Martin Lissau jumped into the fence and lost the rear wing. Cedric Prevot was always close to Markus Feldmann and than short to the end he managed it to pass and win this sensational good final with such a high level of driving experience.



## Results:

### Saloon Cars

Name	Nation	Car/Engine	Laps	Time
01) Cedric Prevot	FRA	FG Evo4/Zenoah	99	30:00:995
02) Markus Felmann	GER	FG Evo4/Zenoah	99	30:02:479
03) Jennifer Bernauer	GER	FG Evo4/Zenoah	95	30:06:995
04) Milan Zwiefelhofer	AUT	FG/Zenoah	94	30:11:192
05) Christoph Flakowski	GER	FG Evo4/Zenoah	94	30:17:901
06) Michael Weiser	AUT	Harm/Zenoah	93	30:10:052
07) Martin Pater	CZ	FG Evo4/Zenoah	92	29:00:612
08) Martin Bayer	CZ	FG Evo4/Zenoah	78	24:19:821
09) Hessel Roskam	NL	LB Ssprint/Zenoah	71	30:14:007
10) Martin Lissau	DK	FG Evo4/Zenoah	13	04:54:300

### Formula 1

Name	Nation	Car/Engine	Laps	Time
01) Zvonimir Matosic	HR	FG/Zenoah	131	45:17:748
02) Cevela Drahomir	AUT	FG/Zenoah	130	45:06:020
03) Vladimir Plh	CZ	FG/Zenoah	128	45:00:176