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### Race Report from the fifth round the EFRA GP Touring cars and the Formula EC

The fifth EFRA GP this year, at the date of June 30th-July 1st 2007, was held at the track of Lostallo in Switzerland. The track is meanwhile best known by everyone, we had the WC at this venue two years ago. The surrounding landscape is highest alps, the track is located in a valley close south to the San Bernardino Pass. Enough space for the Motor homes, a working infrastructure inside the area made it easy to stay there. The weather all the days with bright sunshine and normal summer temperatures, so nobody had to sweat to much.



The track is huge and fast, you need a good eye and a well prepared finger again. Above a picture of the drivers stand, it was Friday and in the free practise up to 24 drivers entered the stand to test their spectrum radios. And it was like a miracle, it works without any problems. Later on there was a organized practise in groups.

At Saturday morning it began early at 9:00am, and we had at first a round of organized practise and than three rounds for qualifying. All in all 84 drivers are present at the track, 27 of them in the Formula class. Especially for the Formula cars it gave troubles and hectic repairs. Idling to less means a engine crash at the long straight, you can hear the noise of braking rings and blocking pistons. This seems to be a problem of the 26ccm engines, the Saloon cars don't show up with these cracks.



Fastest after the four qualifying heats was Markus Feldmann (D), Clark Wohler (D) and Matthias Kiwitt (D). The Formula top qualifier was Markus Feldmann(D), then Gabor Cerkuti (H) and Jimmy Poelmans (B). With his best time in the Formula ranking, Feldmann would go to the pole in the Saloon also. The time of the second, Cerkuti would be the 8th place in the saloon category.



At Saturday evening the organizer had prepared a drivers welcome for all the participants, because we are in Switzerland there was nothing to censure, a live band brought some noise to the background, wine, Champaign and snacks are served.

Sunday, also started 9:00 in the morning, the lower finals are done. Then after midday the half finals and then following the finals, at first the Formula and then the Saloon. This time nobody of the Saloon cars run out of fuel, all cars finished in time. In the Formula category, both of the favourites, Feldmann and Cerkuti had to finish with a broken engine. In this case we have three persons who have chances for the Formula EC title in the last race in August.

I was acting as main referee again at this event. Because the track is huge and I was alone I cannot see everything, so there was some discussion from the drivers about penalties given or not. Sorry, but I cannot see everything, but I have done as good as I was able to do it.

## Results:

### Saloon Cars, Final 30 minutes

	Name	Nation	Car/Engine	Laps	Time
01)	Feldmann Markus	D	FG Evo4/Zenoah/GRP 70		30:25:598
02)	Bernauer Jennifer	D	FG Evo4/Zenoah/GRP 69		30:21:463
03)	Kiwitt Matthias	D		67	30:05:013
04)	Wohler Clark	D	RS5/Zenoah/PMT	67	30:09:716
05)	Sampietro Oliver	F		67	30:11:994
06)	Oddie Ian	GB	Harm/Zenoah/PMT	67	30:13:491
07)	Isler Renato	CH		67	30:15:066
08)	Veseli Dario	HR	Harm/Zenoah/PMT	67	30:20:681
09)	Cricri Placido	CH		66	30:10:332
10)	Mueller Patrik	CH		52	23:05:814



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*Formula 1, Final 45 minutes*

Name	Nation	Car/Engine	Laps	Time
01) Poelmans Jimmy	B	RS5/Zenoah/GRP	97	45:01:778
02) Veseli Dario	HR	FG/Zenoah	96	45:15:546
03) Hetland Cato	NO	RS5/Zenoah/GRP	96	45:24:332
04) Gerhards Jörg	D		95	45:05:030
05) Schulthess Patrik	A	RS5/Zenoah/GRP	95	45:22:704
06) Fernandez Jaume	ES		93	45:47:490
07) Webernig Arno	A	RS5/Zenoah	60	32:40:820
08) Pollmüller Michael	D		47	45:27:370
09) Cerkuti Gabor	H	RS5/Zenoah	22	11:18:268
10) Bufano Also	I	RS5/Zenoah	21	09:47:360



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