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Chairmans Report 2015

Here a quick overview about the race action that went on this year and forward you some of the impression collected by myself as the EFRA Chairman during my attendances at the various 1/10th A + B and EC 40+ Euros.

Following IC 1/10th races were scheduled in the EFRA Calendar for 2015:

April	25-26	GP, Bologna/Italy
July	04-05	GP Shumen/Bulgaria
August/September	31-05	Euro A+B, Izmir/Turkey
September	14-20	EC40+, La Turbie/Monaco

GP's 2015

I didn't got any communication from these 2 GP hosts regarding the races. Since we didn't even receive a result list I strongly assume that these 2 GPs were cancelled due to lack of interest by drivers. The section should discuss if there is a practical way to make them more interesting or maybe to simply cancel them, because of the continuing lack of interest shown by the drivers in the last couple of years.

EC-A+B, Izmir / Turkey.



Well, the only thing that was a little bit sad here was the total number of drivers that attended this event. Only 52 drivers found their way to one of the best tracks and gas clubs that we have right now here in Europe.

As expected, the track, the drivers accommodation, the facilities, the press infrastructure, the time keeping equipment, the catering, the opening and price giving

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ceremony, every single detail you can think off (they also organized a touristic tour for all driver accompanists) were organized by the local EFMOD club.

This club, with the superb build infrastructure and the organizing stuff, represents, from my point of view, one of the highest top level in gas racing that we have here in Europe.

Euro A:



The racing was always absolutely close and on a very high level from the beginning of the free practices till the main final on the last day. After a thrilling final between the 10 drivers Bruno Coelho from Portugal was crowned as the new A-European Champion for the 1/10th IC class.

Here the top 10 positions:

1	Bruno Coelho	I
2	Simon Kurzbuch	CH
3	Greiner, Dominik	D
4	Alexander Hagberg	S
5	Patrick Naehr	D
6	Joe Kerry	GB
7	Michael Derderian	F
8	Quentin Leroux	F
9	Dirk Wischnewski	D
10	Teeu Leino	FIN



Detailed race results here:

<http://news.efra.ws/fileadmin/documents/2015/10/izmir%20result.pdf>

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Euro B:

Tom Kraegefski from Germany dominated the final from the start till the finish line. He won with 1 lap advantage in front of the new EFRA Youth Champion Jannick Namyslo and with 7 laps advantage in front of the best local racer Umut Oztumen from Turkey.

Here the top 10 positions:

1	Tom Kraegefski	D
2	Jannick Namyslo	D
3	Umut Oztumen	TUR
4	Helli spreng	CH
5	Cengiz Sonmezler	GB
6	Ates Bilur	TUR
7	Haluk Soygoruk	TUR
8	Bulent toker	TUR
9	Kasap Ahmet	TUR
10	Ali Kaya	TUR



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EC 40+ Lostallo/Switzerland

Only 55 drivers (24 in /10th and 31 in 1/8th) drivers from all over Europe attended this event at one of the most famous IC track in the center of Europe. Placed in a beautiful a valley near the Sankt Gotthard is where the Lostallo track is at home.



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The track is not only one of the fastest and biggest tracks worldwide but it is also technical really challenging and absolutely fun to drive. The organizer did a tremendous job in the preparation of the track, the facilities, the organizing of the technical inspection, the time keeping the very good catering and everything else beside this. Everybody was pleased and absolutely happy to have been there.



Only the weather was not in favor of this event. It rained almost at any days. Fortunately the final days was almost dry till the end.

Wow, unbelievable how fast these "old guys" can still

go. I'm sure that quite a few of them would still do really good at the EC-As.



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In the 1/8th Luca Martinelli became new European Champion. He had to work really hard from the lowest sub-final up to the main final to achieve his well deserved title. In 2nd Erol Sehirtoy from Switzerland and in 3rd Christofer Hedlund from Sweden. Detailed race results here:



<http://news.efra.ws/fileadmin/documents/2015/09/European%20Championship%20Over%2040%20-%208.pdf>



Also from Switzerland is the new 1:10 European Champion Traugott Schär. In 2nd place Andreas Husman from Sweden and in 3rd Hartmut rose from Germany. Detailed race results here:

<http://news.efra.ws/fileadmin/documents/2015/09/European%20Championship%20Over%2040%2010.pdf>

The ranking list 2015 for 1/10th is in the separated "driverranking.pdf" list.

The first 30 drivers in the ranking list are considered as A-drivers in 2016 and will be excluded from the EC-B. As well as the drivers from other classes that according to the rulebook are excluded and those drivers that have competed in the main-final of the EC-B this year.

Best regards

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