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First of all: I am very sorry for the delay, but I have moved my office and it has taken a few weeks to be reconnected to the internet.

### **Flashback « Corona Extra » European Championship 2004**

Every year the European Championship is growing with one point, but this year we grow with 5 points, the European Championship deserve's to have the title of "World Championship GP" (World Championship in different races)

It is firstly thanks to the quality of the riders, the venues, the National Associations and the Sponsors; first of all Corona Extra and GLC, and also Yamaha, Sea Doo, Polaris, Outboard engines Johnson ( Division of Bombardier) VP Racing Gas, Printer Pons, Dujardin Transport Co., Optimum, the Medias and the International Organisation Crew.

Thanks everybody!

The specialist of the sport says that we are the Number One Tour on the World and we will do everything to stay at this place.

To prove that we are a selective and hard Championship, just look at the results of the Pro Classes at World Championship in Havasu, the two World champions

are coming from the European Championship and we place three riders in the top four:

**Pro Ski :**

**World Champion: Steven Dauliach**

3<sup>th</sup> : Nicolas Rius

4<sup>th</sup> : Vincent Villat

**Pro Run :**

**World Champion: Chris Mac clugage**

3<sup>th</sup> : Nicolas Rius

4<sup>th</sup> : Franky Zapata

**More details about Havasu below.**

**If you want to see hundreds of photos from the tour, go to the site from our official photographer Thierry Honnorat : [www.honoratphoto.com](http://www.honoratphoto.com).**

## **The Corona Extra European Tour 2005**

**Six events in 2005:**

After talking with a lot of involved persons, we think that the time is here to improve the numbers of events from the Championship, a lot of countries and riders want to have a event, so we do!

Here are the dates and venues:

**May 6-7-8 : G.P. Spain / San Javier / Murcia**

**May 27-28-29 : G.P. Austria / Reifnitz / Wörther See**

**June 24-25-26 : G.P. Italia / Imperia**

**July 22-23-24 : G.P. Portugal / Mirandela**

**August 19-20-21 : G.P. Belgium / Dinant**

**September 9-10-11 G.P. France / Disney Land Paris**

**About Reifnitz Austria:**

Like always I visit the place: wonderful place and the Austrian association plan to do a lot of activities that weekend.

For more details look at the attached file.

**The Classes for the 2005 European Tour:**

No changes compare to 2004, we **will not** change the Super Stock Classes into Modified.

The IJSBA will probably do the same at Havazu 2005.

### **Electronically scoring with transponders:**

We hope to find the money to buy the system "Chronelec" This system give a lot of advantages and possibility's:

- Lap record
- Race time
- Individual lap times for each riders
- We can detect if a rider "forget" a part of the course
- We can display the ranking every lap
- If there is no qualifications (less as 20 riders) we will replace the "Pole Position" races from Saturday morning with a "Timed Practice" from 15 minutes in each class, we will keep the best lap times of each rider to determine the Pole position on the grid (like in Formula 1).
- If we have to do qualifications: If we have 30 riders entering one class (for 20 places in the Finals), we will do heats A & B (15 riders each) over 10 minutes and we will keep the 16 best lap times without taking care who is A or B, this 16 riders go straight to the Finals, the other go to the LCQ (race over 5 laps and we keep top four the Finals)
- This system is more fair than the old one, where we keep the top 8 from A and the top 8 from B (sometime the rider classified 9 in A as a better race time as the rider classified 7 in B)

### **Electronically Board with the numbers of laps left in the race:**

Facing the riders, this system allow the riders to know how many laps they still have to do in the race.

### **Special camera system for the "Jumped starts":**

This system is in use in the Formula 1 car racing and in motorcycle G.P. and allow knowing who makes the jumped start, just a few seconds after the start (This will be the end of 20 years of discussion after every start)

### **Random system for releasing the rubber band:**

The system in use till now: the Race Director or Starter push on the button and the rubber band snap.

The new system: The Race director push on the button and an electronically random system will decide when the rubber band will snap (between 0 and 3 seconds)

### **New semi truck for the transport from race material:**

G.L.C. (Corona) have bought a second hand semi-trailer (same as Rius or Lemoinne) Danny Bossche will take care of the paint work and Tony Ernst for the lettering, she will be beautiful!

### **Hydro Space: a new European (Austria) manufacturer (Stand Up only)**

The managers from Hydro space have visited me in Brussels to do the IJSBA

Homologation for a new stand up ski.

At the moment everything is still classified, I can only tell you that it will be an 800 cc twin, two strokes, developed by the technicians of Motorcycles factory KTM.

This ski will be made more for racing as for normal use and will be sale directly from the factory to the customer, without dealers network.

More news soon!

**Polaris PWC division will maybe be buying by a European Company:**

Only rumours at this time, wait and see....

## **Flashback of the World Championship 2004**

Strange situation at the World Finals this year, European riders claim that the American Officials where anti-European and US riders claims that the Official where anti-Americans and so on; of course this is not true, as Race Director I know that we try to keep everything fair, and we made as many calls for the US riders as for the Europeans.

Of course, everything was not perfect, that will never be, but I still strongly believe in the fair play of my friends from the crew.

The use of electronic equipment like we plan to do in Europe will help the officials in the future.

Havasu will always be Havasu, with smiles and tears, if Havasu disappear one day, and then we will know what we are losing!

If we take a short look to the results from the riders coming from the European tour, we can be proud of our results:

### **Ski Pro Super Stock**

**Steven Dauliach / France / World champion**

3 : Nicolas Rius / France

4 : Vincent Villa / France

8 ; J.M. : Garcia / France

16 : jordan Fielder / UK

17: Ludo Caumont / France

### **Run Pro Super stock**

**Chris Mac Clugage / USA / World Champion**

3 : Nicolas Rius / France

4 : Franky Zapata / France

### **Expert Ski Super Stock:**

**Jean Batiste Botti / France / World Champion**

3 : Jamal Belhasni / Morocco

**Pro-Am Ski Modified:**

**Jordan Fielder / UK / World champion**

**Expert Ski Limited :**

2 : Smurf Mangerud / Norway

4 : JB Botti / France

5 : Andy Carayon / France

**Ski Stock Juniors (14-15 years):**

2: Edouard Menguy / France

**Freestyle Pro:**

2 : Lenzi / Brasil

4 : Roc Flojancic / Slovénia

**Freestyle Amateurs**

2 : Nac Flojancic / Slovénia

4<sup>ème</sup> Dan Ashcroft / UK

**Ski Ladies :**

3 : Audrey Dujardin / France

10 : Vicky Beale / UK

**Pro-Am Run 1200 Super Stock:**

4: Angelo Bertozzi / Italy

**Experts Vétérans Ski Super Stock :**

5 : Ludo Caumont / France

**More news in the next Jet Sport News**

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