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CRG DOMINATES IN KZ2 AND KF2 ON THE SOUTH GARDA KARTING IN THE 23rd EDITION OF THE ANDREA MARGUTTI TROPHY

FEDERER OBTAINS A GOOD SUCCESS IN KZ2 ON CRG-MAXTER; TIENE (CRG-BMB) WINS IN KF2. PALOU IS EXCELLENT IN KF3 AND CONQUERS THE PODIUM. LENNOX'S FOURTH PLACE IN KF2 AND JOYNER'S SECOND PLACE IN KF2 ON LH ARE POSITIVE TOO. GOOD DEBUT FOR THE CANADIAN DE MELO IN KF3.



Lonato del Garda (Brescia - Italy). Awesome double win for the CRG official team in the 23rd Andrea Margutti Trophy which, this year, took place on the South Garda Karting Circuit of Lonato, with a good number of entrants. In the two most performing categories, the KZ2 with Fabian Federer on CRG-Maxter and the KF2 with Felice Tiene on CRG-Bmb, the Italian factory was at the top throughout the whole weekend, achieving good results in KF3, where the young Spanish Alex Palou on CRG-Bmb stepped onto the podium thanks to his third place in the final, after a thrilling fight for victory.

IN KZ2 FEDERER ACHIEVES SUCCESS AGAIN. In KZ2 Fabian Federer has come back at the top of the category after his successes in 2011 in the KZ2 European Championship and in the Italian Championship. The Italian driver from Sudtiro, with a Maxter engine directly prepared by the Italian factory, played a leading role throughout the weekend, winning the three qualifying heats, the pre-final and the final, which he led from the starting to the finishing line.

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Among the major protagonists of the category also the other CRG official driver, the English **Jordon Lennox-Lamb**, always with a Maxter engine directly prepared by the factory. After placing second in the qualifying heats, **Lennox** in the pre-final got stuck in the 'traffic' and arrived in 6th, while in the final he placed 4th after occupying the third position for a long time. Good performance also for **Luca Tilloca**, on a Kali-Kart produced by CRG: he was sixth on the finishing line of the final. Also the Brazilian **Gabriel Falavina Dias** ran for the CRG official team on a CRG-Maxter: he placed tenth in the final.

Above, Tiene wins in KZ2 and on the podium together with Joyner (on the left). Previous page, Federer in action in KZ2 and on the podium.

TIENE IS MATCHLESS IN KF2. In KF2, too, CRG was matchless thanks to **Felice Tiene**, brilliant winner of all the races of

the weekend, from the qualifying heats to the pre-final and then the final, recording the fastest lap in both the final races. The driver from Naples, on a CRG chassis absolutely unbeatable and powered by the performing Bmb engine prepared by KVS, confirms to be one of the protagonists of the category: forecasts for the forthcoming international appointments are definitely good for the CRG driver. Another driver who confirmed to be at the top of the category is the English **Tom Joyner**, on a LH chassis produced by CRG and powered by a Bmb engine by KVS. **Joyner** performed well in the final, finishing behind Tiene after recovering from the fifth position of the pre-final. Also **Eddy Tinini** and **Luke Varley** did well. They finished respectively 18th and 19th, both recording great lap times.

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Above, Palou launched towards the third place in KF3; behind him Melo at his debut in the category.

PALOU EXCELLENT THIRD IN KF3. Alex Palou's performance in KF3 was convincing: the CRG driver is racing better and better in this season. He too was on an excellent CRG chassis powered by a Bmb engine by KVS and his performance in the final was outstanding. He even managed to lead the race, but he eventually had to be content with a third place at the end of a hard-fought race. Anyway, **Palou** showed once again that he finds himself at ease in this category and this first podium of his in this international race is an important success which can boost his performance in the rest of the season. The Canadian **Zachary Claman De Melo** made his debut on CRG in this category; he was personally assisted by Mike Wilson, the six-time world champion. The young **De Melo**, at his first experience in KF3 after racing successfully in the Canadian Rotax, not only managed to be among the finalists of the Margutti Trophy, but eventually he achieved a good 14th place: a very encouraging result indeed. **De Melo** will continue his season in the WSK Master Series with the next appointment of Castelletto from 1st April and then with all the four rounds of the WSK Euro Series.

The next appointment for the CRG official team is at the weekend of 1st April with the third and last round of the WSK Master Series in Castelletto di Branduzzo (Pavia).

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