

Superkart : Come-back in Hockenheim

For the second consecutive year, the launch of the season will take place outside the hexagon, to Hockenheim, within the framework of an event which will gather a very wide European grid. This 1st continental meeting of Superkart is the result of an initial cooperation, which aimed to be wider, between the German renamed Series (ESS) and the French championship Open, open to all the drivers about is their nationality. This alliance also attracts unregistered competitors in these two competitions, as the Scandinavians or the Dutch people deprived of their own Series which was not able to be renewed. More 50 entries will offer a tight fight because except for Lee Harpham the outgoing Champion of Europe, all the candidates for the European title 2013 will be present to begin to get ready for the fray

The Strengths in presence within the framework of the French championship Open

The inter-season was not the object of major transfers concerning a change of equipment or of team as regards the state-of-the-art drivers in Europe, choices concerned more the programs. The French championship could be the reflection of one year of transition, because it is in phase of evolution and renewal. Since Damien Payart's semi-retirement (10 titles between 2001 and 2010) and the partial desertion of RedSpeed Team in the strict frame of the Championship this season, we could think that the competition for the final podium should tighten between the known but also most hardened leaders, but the interest will not less be supported because claimed at any levels. Indeed, on one hand the number of commitments, in spite of the crisis, remained beyond the initial expectations, on the other hand certain competitors operated a technical upgrade, and we shall discover new faces.

The attribution of the title should again fascinate us with in particular: The expected performance of from now on double Champion of France, Emmanuel Vinualès (Anderson / DEA) which settled for objective to win again also the European title acquired in 2011. Alexandre Sébastia will play opposite (Anderson/FPE), 3rd at the last minute last year which should receive the sidelong glance of Payart Team to support him if need be, and so as well as Cyril Vayssié (PVP/DEA) double vice-champion (on 2010 and 2011) who lost the 1st French Cup to the detriment of Sébastia during the ultimate race. We shall find with pleasure, Antoine Lacoste's team ALR (Anderson/FPE) motivate again. The vice-champion 2009 - in 2 points of the title- knew a season truncated further to an injury last year. He prefers restart (and boost) in Superkart, postponing a possible passage in Automobile. As well Sébastia as Lacoste will run Anderson from the beginning of season this time. Hardly of their progress in 2012, the Swiss Philippe Gerber and Etienne Aebischer consider good to concretize points which their were unfortunately sometimes lacking. The young Kevin Ranoarimanana exchanged his puffing engine VM for an Italian DEA, with the acquired experience, he should be more present in outposts or we could see again Julien Goullancourt (Anderson / PVP) after three sabbatical years. Jean-Marc Fernandes after some races tests in 2012, joined definitively rows and it with a new material (Anderson/DEA).

The favorites for these first races

For the victory to Hockenheim, besides the French people, it will be necessary to follow: Gavin Bennett (Triple Champion of Europe 2007-09-10), Marcel Maasmann (vice-champion of Europe 2012) assisted by Redspeed Team and official drivers (labeled by "manufacturer") following the example of the Dane Henrik Lilja (PVP/PVP), the protégé of Poul Petersen, lively and 3rd European in the final or the Czech Adam Kout who defends the colors of MSkart with an engine DEA for the last year (and previous pole). Among Germanics, it is necessary to watch Daniel Hentschel (Anderson/DEA) - 3rd European 2011-and winner of one of the two races year-ago and Guido Kleinemeyer (winner in Dijon). JC Bourlat - Eric Sévère