



## PRESS RELEASE

### **Great duels in Sarno's heats of the WSK Super Master Series**

**The qualifying heats of the third round of the championship took place today at the International Circuit Napoli in Sarno. The Final stages will follow on Sunday, March 5, with Live Streaming from 10:10 AM.**

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Exciting battles have taken place in Sarno in qualifying heats ahead of the final phase of this third race of the WSK Super Master Series, which will reach its end on Sunday, March 5th at the International Circuit Napoli and will crown the winners of the MINI, OKJ, OK and KZ2.

The round in Sarno is particularly important for the championship, as it will be useful for those who are capable of seizing the opportunity to increase their advantage in the standings, but essential for those who need to make up some ground thanks to the opportunity of a point increase across the four races of the championship. After the first two races in Lonato and Franciacorta, and after this third race in Sarno, the final race in Cremona on April 30th will offer the final verdict.

#### **The Live Streaming on Sunday.**

The final stages including Prefinals and Finals for all categories will benefit from the Live Streaming from 10:10 AM. The live feeds will be provided by the following websites:

[www.wskarting.it/index.asp](http://www.wskarting.it/index.asp), <https://motorsport.tv/>,

<https://www.youtube.com/@WSKPROMOTION>.

#### **Qualifying heats.**

##### **KZ2 – Bertuca leads a lot of rivals.**

In the heats of KZ2 at least 5 drivers, and a few others, emerged with chances to fight for victory. The current leader of the standings, the Italian Cristian Bertuca (Birel Art Racing/BirelArt-TM), secured the top spot with three heat wins. Behind him, the other BirelART driver, Giuseppe Palomba, claimed two wins and was followed by the Frenchman Emilien Denner (Sodikart/Sodi-TM-Vega), who qualified in pole position, and then secured one heat victory. Among the other winners, the British driver Freddie Slater (Birel Art Racing/BirelArt-TM) has been shining with two wins, while the Frenchman Tom Leuillet (Tony Kart Racing Team/Tony Kart-Vortex) and the German Paul Maximilian (DR/DR-Modena Engines) took one win each. The Dutch driver Senna Van Walstijn (Sodikart/Sodi-TM) is also among the favourites.

**Penalties after the heats:** 1. Bertuca pen. 12; 2. Palomba 14; 3. Denner 15; 4. Slater 22; 5. Van Walstijn 25; 6. Maximilian 31; 7. Longhi 35; 8. Leuillet 36.

##### **OK – Przyrowski leads Walther and Egozi.**

In OK, the winner at Franciacorta, the Dane driver David Walther (Koski Motorsport/Tony Kart-Vortex-LeCont) bounced back well from practice. He is currently second in the standings and in a tight battle with the other protagonists of the category, such as the Polish driver Jan Przyrowski (Tony Kart Racing Team/Tony Kart-Vortex), who took first place after the heats, and the current classification leader, the American Luis James Egozi (Tony Kart Racing Team/Tony Kart-Vortex),



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who finished third in the heats. René Lammers (Parolin Motorsport/Parolin-TM) won the last heat and moved up to fourth position. The Belgian driver Thomas Strauven (Ricky Flynn/LN Kart-Vortex) finished in fifth place, followed by the Hungarian Martin Molnar (Energy Corse/Energy-TM) and the Italian Luigi Coluccio (Tony Kart Racing Team/Tony Kart-Vortex).

**Penalties after the heats:** 1. Przyrowski pen. 10; 2. Walther 14; 3. Egozi 15; 4. Lammers 16; 5. Strauven 18; 6. Molnar 23; 7. Coluccio 27; 8. Stolcermanis 28.

## **OKJ – Bondarev and Kaczynski on the move.**

The current classification leader Stepan Antonov (KR Motorsport/KR-lame) struggled to recover from the qualifying heats, while the Ukrainian Oleksandr Bondarev (KR Motorsport/KR-lame-Vega), secured the pole position and led the pack after the heats, while the Swedish driver Elliot Kaczynski (Ward Racing/Tony Kart-Vortex) came second in the heats, making a big leap forward but is behind in the championship standings. The Colombian Salim Hanna Hernandez (Ricky Flynn/LN Kart-Vortex) performed well with a win, as did the Swedish driver Scott Kin Lindblom (Tony Kart Racing Team/Tony Kart-Vortex), Tiziano Monza (Shamick/Parolin-Vega) who won the final heat, and the Scottish driver Zac Drummond (Parolin Motorsport/Parolin-TM), who claimed two wins. The Italian Filippo Sala (Sodikart/Sodi-TM) ended his effort in seventh position. The Czech driver Jindrich Pesl (IPK Official Racing/IPK-TM) was also among the top drivers.

**Penalties after the heats:** 1. Bondarev pen. 15; 2. Kaczynski 16; 3. Hanna Hernandez 17; 4. Lindblom 29; 5. Monza 29; 6. Drummond 30; 7. Sala 32; 8. Aksoy 32.

## **MINI GR.3 – Classification leader Hoogendoorn dominates.**

The championship leader, the Dutchman Dean Hoogendoorn (Kidix/KR-lame-Vega), is leading the pack with authority after the heats. He claimed 3 wins and recovered from the ninth place in qualifying. Following him are the Englishman Noah Baglin (IKart/KR-lame), eighth in the championship, and the Romanian Bogdan Cosma Cristofor (Team Driver/KR-lame), who is sixth in the championship. The American Keelan Harvick (BabyRace/Parolin-lame) currently precedes his teammate, the Turkish Iskender Zulfikari, third in the championship and winner of the first race in Lonato. The other protagonist in the category, Vladimir Ivannikov (Gamoto/EKS-TM), is currently sixth, while the winner of Franciacorta, the Spaniard Bosco Arias Chavarri (Team Driver/KR-lame), is a bit behind for now.

**Penalties after the heats:** 1. Hoogendoorn pen. 0; 2. Baglin 10; 3. Cosma Cristofor 13; 4. Harvick 15; 5. Zulfikari 19; 6. Ivannikov 24; 7. Crisan 30; 8. Calleja 30.

## **MINI GR.3 U10 – Giusto takes the classification lead.**

In MINI Gr.3 Under 10, Giacomo Giusto (Modena Kart/Parolin-TM-Vega) achieved a good result, confirming a very positive trend. With one victory, the Italian driver took the first position after the heats. Also, Daniil Kutskov (BabyRace/Parolin-lame) had a good performance, moving up to second place, followed by his teammates, the Polish Leonardo Gorski and the Swiss Albert Tamm, both with one victory. The current leader Antoine Venant (Kidix/KR-lame) is instead lagging a bit behind.

**Penalties after the heats:** 1. Giusto pen. 10; 2. Kutskov 16; 3. Gorski 22; 4. Tamm 24; 5. Eskandari 24; 6. Legenkyi 25; 7. Unt 26; 8. Kumpen 26.

## **The program of the WSK Super Master Series, Round 3, Sarno:**

Sunday, March 5th: Prefinals from 10:10; Final OKJ at 13:50, Final MINI U10 at 14:20, Final MINI Gr.3 at 14:50, Final K22 at 15:20 and Final OK at 15:50.



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