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### Shifterkart-double victory for Mach1 Motorsport

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Strong performance at the ADAC Kart Masters in Wackersdorf

Mach1 Motorsport just experienced an eventful weekend. The racing division of the German chassis manufacturer started at the second event of the ADAC Kart Masters with five drivers and experienced an exciting event. In the end, Daniel Stell caused a lot of joy due to a double victory at the shifterkarts.

Last weekend Mach1 Motorsport wanted to attack. The team surrounding Martin Hetschel travelled to the Prokart Raceland with five drivers. All in all, 166 drivers started at one of the most modern kart racing tracks of Europe to give it their all at the ranked races three and four in beaming sunshine and midsummery temperatures.

The youngest drivers started at the Bambini class. Mach1-protégé Sondre Norheim started there as well. The Norwegian drove among midfield despite the considerably less experience he had on the track compared to most of his opponents and started into the first ranked race from 20th position. He then lost some positions during the race, but was able to fight his way forward to 19th place during the second race and thereby achieved entering the top 20.

Also from Norway, Harvard Hallerud started at the X30 seniors. After a successful Wackersdorf-debut last year with fifth place at the finale, things didn't go according to plan for the Scandinavian this time. After the heats Harvard was on 18th place of the interim rankings. Among the strongly contested midfield he was involved in a collision though and had to end the race prematurely. From the back of the field he then was able to show his possibilities during the second race and caught up to the top ten. Unfortunately a 5-seconds-penalty threw him back to 18th place in the end.

Marcel Weber started at the OK seniors as a soloist and had to deal with engine problems throughout the entire weekend. From 23rd place at qualifying the rookie then improved to

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17th starting position for the final races. But he wasn't able to get further than 24th and 21st places in the end.

Daniel Stell and Julian Müller started at the shifterkarts. Daniel showed a perfect performance at his guest appearance at the ADAC Kart Masters. The Hammelburg resident already did a great job during qualifying and led the list of rankings. The routine driver then secured pole position for the first ranked race by achieving first and second places at the heats. Daniel did great there too, entered the race with a perfect start and celebrated a grand start-finish-victory in the end. At the second race things went similarly: Daniel won again.

Julian Müller started into a horrible weekend initially. Two fallings out during the heats threw the ambitious driver to the end of the interim rankings. He wasn't intimidated by this though. Julian showed his talent during the ranked races and drove two impressive races. The first catching-up race ended with the crossing of the finish line on ninth place. At the second race, he just barely missed placing among the cup ranks by coming in seventh.

In the evening Martin Hetschel praised his drivers' performances: "I think nothing can be added to Daniel's performance. He was excellent throughout the entire weekend and highlighted our potential. Julian would have been a top five driver without the problems on Saturday as well. Our two Norwegians were able to gather lots of racing experiences again. Marcel unfortunately had some bad luck. We fought with his engine's performance from the beginning."

Mach1-karts are going to start in Wackersdorf again next weekend. The second race of the Rotax Max Challenge Germany is going to take place then. The factory team is going to continue things at the German Kart Championship in three weeks.

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