

# NEWS *CIK-FIA Championships*

THE RACE TOWARDS THE EUROPEAN TITLES IS GETTING HEATED IN ALAHARMA (FIN), WHERE THE QUALIFYING OF THE 5<sup>TH</sup> ROUND OF THE CIK-FIA EUROPEAN CHAMPS FOR OK AND OKJ, AND THE KARTING ACADEMY TROPHY IS TAKING PLACE. TOMORROW'S RACES TO BE STREAMED LIVE ON WWW.CIKFIA.TV - WWW.CIKFIACHAMPIONSHIP.COM.

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### THE BATTLE FOR THE POLE POSITION.

Tomorrow we will know how important this appointment at the Powerpark Circuit in Alaharma (FIN) is for the standings of the CIK-FIA European Championship, after the Finals of the categories involved. The Finnish round, so far, has been characterised by uncertainty, with lots of drivers who can aim at a victory which could be crucial in the race towards the Championship title. All the frontrunners taking part in the event were protagonists of heated battles both in Qualifying and in the Heats: all the top drivers are trying to conquer the best slots on the starting grids of tomorrow's Finals. The end of the Championship is approaching fast; the last race, in fact, will take place in Kristianstad (S) next week: arriving there after a victory in Finland is going to be of paramount importance.

### LIVE STREAMING FROM ALAHARMA.

The live streaming of the last day of the event is going to be very interesting for all fans and supporters: the streaming will start at 10:25, with the last heats. Then the Drivers' Parade and the Final on **cikfia.tv** and **cikfiachampionship.com**. On Motorsport.TV, next week, the special TV report with a recap of the whole weekend.

### HILTBRAND AND TRAVISANUTTO SPEED UP IN OK.

In OK, the Finnish Paavo Tonteri (Tony Kart-Vortex-Le Cont) set the best time in qualifying, but in the Heats the Spanish Pedro Hiltbrand (Tony Kart-Vortex) and the Italian Lorenzo Trivisanutto (Zanardi-Parilla) took centre stage, winning two Heats each. It is an important result for both the drivers: they are, in fact, trying to close the gap with the current leader, the Spanish David Vidales (Tony Kart-Vortex). Good day also for the Russian Pavel Bulantsev, the German David Schumacher (both on Tony Kart-Vortex) and the English Callum Bradshaw (CRG-Parilla): they all won a Heat each.

### DOOHAN RECOVERS IN OK JUNIOR.

The Australian Jack Doohan (FA Kart-Vortex-Vega) put in an excellent performance: he set the best time in Qualifying, then he won two Heats. He is now the most dangerous rival for the current Championship leader, the English Jonny Edgar (Exprit-TM). The latter, today, won a race as well as the British Harry Thompson, another frontrunner of the category. The other Heats were won by the Brazilian Gabriel Bortoleto (CRG-Parilla), the Russian Ilya Morozov (Tony Kart-Vortex) and the English Zak O'Sullivan (FA Kart-Vortex).



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IN THE PHOTO ON TOP, THE START OF ONE OF TODAY'S RACES, LA PARTENZA DI UNA GARA). ABOVE, JACK DOOHAN WON TODAY TWO HEATS IN OKJ.

### CHASE FOR HANDSAEME, THE LEADER IN ACADEMY.

The Belgian Xavier Handsaeme wants to confirm his leadership in the Academy: he won one of today's Heats, but winning tomorrow's Final might be a lot trickier. In fact, also the Brazilian Francisco Melo (who set the best time in Qualifying), the Finnish Luka Nurmi and the South-African Jordan North (all on Exprit-Vortex-Bridgestone) won a Heat each today and are going to be tough rivals for the Belgian.

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| Powerpark Circuit Alaharma (FIN) GMT+3 |                      |                         |
| CIK-FIA European Championship OK-OKJ   |                      |                         |
| Karting Academy Trophy                 |                      |                         |
| Sunday 23                              | 08:25 - 10:20        | Warm-up                 |
| <b>Start live streaming</b>            | 10:25 - 13:00        | Qualifying Heats        |
|  | 13:20 - 13:50        | Presentation of Drivers |
|  | <b>14:40 - 16:55</b> | <b>Finals - podiums</b> |
|  | 17:10                | Press Conference        |

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