



## WELCOME TO CIRCUITO INTERNAZIONALE NAPOLI – RMCGF DAY 2

**Sarno, Italy, October 17, 2016** – Welcome back to the first day of non-qualifying practice!

Today, each class participated in two, 15-minute non-qualifying practice sessions. One could sense the thrill and bustle of the drivers and mechanics, as today marked the commencement of breaking-in engines, testing out the new chassis and tackling the toughest challenge of all: conquering the Circuito Internazionale Napoli.

Drivers took the opportunity to become familiar with the track, the chassis, engine and their competitors. Together with their tuners, they worked to improve their chassis set-up for Tuesday's non-qualifying practice sessions 3 and 4.

Pilots typically take advantage of some part of practice No. 1 to break-in their new Rotax engines.

Transponders were provided to all drivers at the end of the first non-qualifying practice and will be mandatory as of practice No. 2.

**Live timing is available** on the RMCGF homepage, at <http://www.rotax-kart.com/en/Max-Challenge/Grand-Finals/Grand-Finals-2016/LIVESTREAM>.

### 125 Micro MAX

Some of Rotax's youngest drivers proved to be as competitive as the older classes. Adrian Malheiro of Portugal posted the fastest lap time with a 1:12.123.

### 125 Mini MAX

Mini MAX saw Juan Ignacio Teske of Uruguay jump to the top of the time sheets, posting a 1:08.587.

### 125 Junior MAX

Practice No. 2 saw the Austrian Lukas Dunner jump to the top of the time sheets.



### **125 MAX**

The 125 MAX field proved to be very close in time. Francisco Darder of Argentina posted the fastest lap time with a 1:02.360, just 4-thousandths of a second ahead of Nikolas Szabo.

### **125 MAX DD2 Masters**

A range of racing veterans were present in the DD2 Masters class, including Canadian Scott Campbell and Christophe Adams of Belgium.

Practice No. 2 saw Leonardo Nien Koetter of Brazil set the fastest time with a 1:01.948, just 5-hundredths of a second faster than Ryan Urban of New Zealand.

### **125 MAX DD2**

Ferenc Kancsar of Hungary posted the fastest lap time with a 1:01.401, followed by Haralds Garkaklis of Russia. One of two ladies of the group, Fabienne Lanz, from the Republic of South Africa finished in the top ten of her non-qualifying practice session. Her fellow team mate, Ivana Cetinich, is the second lady of the race.

What a great way to start out the Grand Finals: **72 racers per class** (excluding Mini and Micro MAX, which have 36 drivers registered per class) posting competitive times within hundredths of a second of each other! This just goes to show how close Rotax racing truly is.

Stay tuned for our upcoming daily reports, which bring the intense action of the RMCGF to you!

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