



PRESS RELEASE

Pirelli monopolizes the podium in both classes at the Grand Prix of Patagonia of the FIM Motocross World Championship

Tim Gajser dominates two races in MXGP and takes the lead in the Championship; double victory for Pauls Jonass in MX2 while Jeremy Seewer keeps Pirelli atop of the standings

Neuquen (Argentina), 20 March 2017 – The beautiful **Neuquen** circuit hosted the **Grand Prix of Patagonia**, the third round of the **FIM Motocross World Championship 2017** and as usual many South American fans crowded the steep banking surrounding the track. All the riders in the **MXGP** and **MX2** classes opted for **Pirelli SCORPION™ MX32™ Mid Soft front**. As for **rear** - and to better adapt to the sandy soil of the Argentinian circuit – many opted for the Pirelli rubber that best fitted better their riding style.

The **SCORPION™ MX32™ Soft 120/80-19 rear** was the winning choice in the **MXGP class**. **Tim Gajser** grasped victory in both races and took the red plate in the Championship, while **Jeremy Van Horebeek** finished second just ahead of **Evgeny Bobryshev**. Good performances also for **Gautier Paulin** and **Romain Febvre** in fourth and fifth overall. **Febvre** was the only **Pirelli** rider that chose the **SCORPION™ MX32™ Mid Soft rear**. **Antonio Cairoli** made a great comeback after a couple of falls during the two races and managed to finish the Grand Prix in seventh place overall.

In the **MX2 class** (in search of higher cornering speed) the riders that selected the **Pirelli SCORPION™ MX32™ Mid Soft in the Mud rear version** managed to sweep the podium. The overall win belonged to **Pauls Jonass** who claimed both races. There was an excellent second position in store for **Jorge Prado** in front of **Jeremy Seewer**, who thanks to this result is the new leader of the championship after three meetings.

In two weeks time the teams and riders will move to Leon, Mexico, for the fourth round of the 2017 FIM Motocross World Championship.

Race results (in bold Pirelli riders):

MXGP race 1

- 1. GAJSER Tim (SLO)**
- 2. VAN HOREBEEK Jeremy (BEL)**
3. DESALLE Clement (BEL)
- 4. FEBVRE Romain (FRA)**
- 5. BOBRYSHEV Evgeny (RUS)**

MXGP race 1

- 1. GAJSER Tim (SLO)**
- 2. BOBRYSHEV Evgeny (RUS)**
- 3. VAN HOREBEEK Jeremy (BEL)**
- 4. PAULIN Gautier (FRA)**
- 5. CAIROLI Antonio (ITA)**

MX2 race 1

1. **JONASS Pauls (LAT)**
2. PATUREL Benoit (FRA)
3. **PRADO GARCIA Jorge (SPA)**
4. **KJER OLSEN Thomas (DEN)**
5. **SEEWER Jeremy (SUI)**

MX2 race 2

1. **JONASS Pauls (LAT)**
2. **SEEWER Jeremy (SUI)**
3. **PRADO GARCIA Jorge (SPA)**
4. SANAYEI Darian (USA)
5. LIEBER Julien (BEL)

GP Overall:

MXGP

1. **GAJSER Tim (SLO)**
2. **VAN HOREBEEK Jeremy (BEL)**
3. **BOBRYSEV Evgeny (RUS)**
4. **PAULIN Gautier (FRA)**
5. **FEBVRE Romain (FRA)**

MX2

1. **JONASS Pauls (LAT)**
2. **PRADO GARCIA Jorge (SPA)**
3. **SEEWER Jeremy (SUI)**
4. PATUREL Benoit (FRA)
5. SANAYEI Darian (USA)

Championship overall:

MXGP

1. **GAJSER Tim (SLO) p.106**
2. **CAIROLI Antonio (ITA) p.96**
3. DESALLE Clement (BEL) p.91
4. **VAN HOREBEEK Jeremy (BEL) p.84**
5. **BOBRYSEV Evgeny (RUS) p.82**
6. **PAULIN Gautier (FRA) p.72**

MX2

1. **SEEWER Jeremy (SUI) p.110**
2. **JONASS Pauls (LAT) p.107**
3. PATUREL Benoit (FRA) p.104
4. LIEBER JULIEN (BEL) p.99
5. **KJER OLSEN Thomas (DEN) p.99**
6. VAN DONINCK Brent (BEL) p.73

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