



PRESS RELEASE

CYPRUS ROK CUP 2008 4th Meeting

Early in the morning, on Sunday the 22nd of June, all drivers and mechanics were getting ready for another exciting Rok event. The temperature was already over 35°C and rising. Many friends of Karting gathered at the Daytona Raceway track in Nicosia, to watch the 4th Official Meeting of the Cyprus Rok Cup 2008. The Cyprus Rok Cup runs under the shield of the Cyprus Automobile Association (CAA) with LTV being the main communications sponsor. It is also sponsored by Gatorade drinks, imported in Cyprus by A&P Enterprises and Conerel Trading Ltd, importers of Rok Engines in Cyprus. The Cup is also supported by Group4Securicor, Lambrianides Brothers, Burn Out magazine and KissFM.

Junior Rok Class

The day begun with the Qualifying Heat of the Junior Class, where 8 drivers had to fight for the best lap time and get their position for the race. Vladimiros Tziortzis took the poll position with timing 49,083 showing from the beginning his superiority in this particular event. A big surprise was Antonio Charitou who took the 2nd position with a difference of 0,293, leaving Stephanos Avgousti behind with 0,200. Djevded Alpatourk, Soyhan Chuvaldjioğlu, Alexandros Groutides, Hasan Mert Arpalikli and Hazal Arpalikli followed completing the class.

Vladimiros Tziortzis made an incredible start in the Pre-final Heat of the Junior Class, keeping his 1st position all the way to the end, where Stephanos Avgousti managed to pass Antonio Charitou at the early stage of the race following Vladimiros closely but without having the power to pressure him. Antonio Charitou, Djevded Alpatourk and Soyhan Chuvaldjioğlu had their own race for the 3rd position. On the 1st lap, Antonio found himself on the 5th position, where Stephanos, Djevded and Soyhan managed to pass him. Stephanos managed to make a cup but Antonio pushing his kart to the limits and driving with nice techniques managed to overtake Soyhan on the 2nd lap and Djevded on the 4th lap getting the 3rd position of the Pre-Final.

There was a disappointment in the Final Heat where Vladimiros, Stephanos and Antonio had a small incident immediately after the start and before the 1st corner. Vladimiros lost his chain and couldn't continue, where Stephanos managed to keep his engine running and lead the race where Antonio spin and lost 5 positions. Avgousti lead the race and took the finish flag in front of the 2 amazing drivers, Djevded and Soyhan. Alexandros Groutides was the surprise of the Final who started 6th and managed to finish 4th with steady speed and unpressured driving.



Senior Rok Class

In the Qualifying Heat Christos A. Kokkides took the poll position with timing of 48,307 and 0,829 seconds difference from the 2nd Andreas Constantinou and 0,862 seconds difference from Michalis Kalathas, also showing his superiority in this particular meeting from the beginning. The class was completed with Chagin Perchindgi, Charalambos Ioannou, Dogukan Toufekdji, Sitki-Erden Sine, Efe Mustafa, Andreas Grammenos and Stavros Ioannides.

In the Pre-final Heat Kokkides managed to keep the 1st place from which he started the Heat, taking the checkered flag 6,053 seconds in front of Andreas Constantinou and 11,437 seconds in front of Dogukan Toufekdji. The excitement of the class was on the rear positions where Dogukan, a very experienced driver managed to gain 4 positions in 13 laps finishing 3rd on the podium, where Efe and Chagin managed to finish 5th and 6th behind the Michalis Kalathas who did not perform his best during this meeting. The 10 drivers of the class offered an amazing show to the fans of the sport; with incredible overtakes getting a lot of applause from the fans all the way through the event.

In the Seniors' Final Heat, Kokkides kept his lead, leaving Andreas Constantinou and Dogukan Toufekdji in the 2nd and 3rd positions respectively. Efe Mustafa and Chagin Perchindgi had their own race with Michalis Kalathas where Chagin's engine failed him in the 10th lap. Another fighter was coming from the last position, Andreas Grammenos, who managed with his driving techniques to finish 6th following Efe Mustafa, and Michalis Kalathas.

The final results of the event for the Senior class showed Kokkides in the 1st position, Constantinou and Dogukan in the 2nd and 3rd respectively, where Mustafa, Kalathas, Grammenos, Sine and Ioannides got the 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th positions with Ioannou withdrawing from the race in the 5th lap and Chagin in the 10th lap.

Super Rok Class

In the Qualifying Heat of the Super Rok Class Constantinos Christodoulides took the poll position with timing 47,717 with 0,360 difference from the 2nd George Alexandrou, followed by Demetris Grammenos 0,453 behind and Symeon Symeon 1,356 seconds behind.

Symeon Symeon was the surprise of the day, having made an amazing start, passing Grammenos while Christodoulides was entering the 1st corner followed very closely by Alexandrou and Symeon managed to get the inside line passing everybody and exiting the corner 1st, leaving Christodoulides and Alexandrou 3rd and 4th as they collided and Grammenos took the chance to overtake them as well. In the 4th lap a small mistake by Symeon on the exit of the 1st corner cost him 2 positions by Grammenos and Christodoulides. Grammenos was leading the race with Christodoulides pushing him and trying to overtake him in different corners. He managed to pass Grammenos in the 7th lap where Alexandrou and Symeon in the 4th and 3rd positions were giving their own fight. Constantinos Christodoulides managed to get 1st the finish flag, followed by Demetris



Grammenos, where Alexandrou managed to overtake Symeon in the 10th lap and get the 3rd position leaving Symeon in the 4th place.

In the Final Heat Constantinos Christodoulides, led the race all the way to the finish where Grammenos with a very steady driving finished 2nd, 10,829 seconds behind Christodoulides and Alexandrou and Symeon finished 3rd and 4th respectively.

The best lap times of the day were made by Vladimiros Tziortzis in the Junior Class with timing 49.007, Christos A. Kokkides in the Senior Class with timing 48,610 and Constatninos Christodoulides in the Super Rok Class with timing 47,714.

The 5th Meeting of the Cyprus Rok Cup 2008 will take place on Sunday the 6th of July at the Daytona Raceway Track in Nicosia at 19:00 hours; it will be broadcasted live on LTV and promises a lot to those present as well as to those watching it from their own home.