

# Team Molenaar in orange for 2011

**The Molenaar Racing GP Team turns orange in 2011. Jasper Iwema from Hooghalen reinforces the Dutch GP team from next season. The team set-up is already set after the Spaniard Luis Salom signed yesterday a new contract with the team.**

Team owner Arie Molenaar is particularly pleased that already the composition of his new team is set. Of course there is still work to be done for the next winter, but there is enough time to realise this. "I'm very pleased with the responses I received last night and this morning from various people. The Dutch people in the paddock talking now about the feeling of team Orange 2011. Journalists, sponsors and individuals react only excited," said Arie Molenaar.

The enthusiasm must now be transformed into the further development of the organization of the team. Molenaar is convinced that the team with Luis Salom and Jasper Iwema will be strong next year and be in the spotlights. Both riders have already proven themselves in recent years in the 125cc MotoGP championship. Especially Iwema showed this season that he can compete with the top of the 125 class. It's been years since a Dutchman ended the season with 34 points and scored a number of top 10 rankings including an eighth place during the GP of Czech Republic. At the Dutch TT at Assen the man from Hooghalen even qualified with a stunning sixth position.

Luis Salom proved this season he has a lot of talent. The Spaniard did in every race where he finished a top 10 place, culminating a great fifth place during the GP of Portugal.

Randy Krummenacher makes the move next season to the very competitive Moto 2 class. Together with his management, the Swiss managed to secure a place at the Viessman Kiefer Racing Team. The race in Valencia also meant the departure of Jarno Janssen from STIPA-Molenaar Racing GP. Janssen worked for five seasons as team manager at the Molenaar Racing GP team after giving an earlier stage as a rider had been attached to the team. Its function is now taken over by Marlon Fluit who has been working as a team coordinator. Together with Janssen he was (partly) responsible for the daily management of the team.

The Grand Prix of Valencia held today held STIPA-Molenaar Racing GP team finished with two rankings in the top 10. At the Ricardo Tormo circuit Randy Krummenacher earned in his last race for the team the ninth place after a magnificent duel with team-mate Luis Salom which he just could keep behind him. In the final standings of the 2010 125cc MotoGP Championship Randy Krummenacher finished with 113 points in ninth place. Luis Salom, who joined during the Le Mans Grand Prix the team, closed the season with 72 points in twelfth place.

## **Randy Krummenacher (9th):**

"Well, the season is already over. I'm glad I finished the race again with a top 10 spot and have scored a ninth position in the championship. Starting from tomorrow the Molenaar team and I go our own way. Tomorrow I will make my first meters on the Viessman Kiefer Moto2 bike and therefore I'm starting a new challenge. I'm very grateful to the team what they done for me in the last two seasons. I especially want to thank Arie Molenaar, Jarno Janssen, Hans Spaan and my two mechanics Rob van Dorrestein and Bart van Heugten. Without them I would certainly not be had a great season like this. I also want to thank my team-mate Luis Salom and wish him good luck next year with this great team. "

## **Luis Salom (10e):**

"Again a top 10 spot. Today I had hoped that I could beat my team-mate Randy Krummenacher, but unfortunately I just came a little bit short. Because of this tenth place in the race I climbed up in the standings to the twelfth position. Dorna decided after the Australian Grand Prix I'm not in the ranking anymore of the "Rookie of the Year" championship, I see myself in my first full GP season as the moral winner. I ride again next year for the team of Arie Molenaar and I want to thank the team for all they meant to me this season. We will use the wintertime train a lot so I will be in top condition at the start of the next season. "