

## **Seventh starting position offers opportunities for Randy Krummenacher Luis Salom back in the top 10**

**The STIPA-Molenaar Racing GP team captured during the qualifying for the Cardion AB Grand Prix Ceske Republiky a decent second and third row. Randy Krummenacher rode his fastest lap in the last minute and demanded his Aprilia RSA to a seventh starting position. Luis Salom revenge after a moderate session on Saturday morning with an excellent tenth time in qualifying.**

The Saturday morning session had a delay of half an hour because of persistent low-hanging fog. Randy Krummenacher rode an excellent training and clocked the third time. Luis Salom could not find his rhythm and had trouble riding fast laps. The Spaniard had hoped too more than the final seventeenth place.

The qualifying session was run under sunny weather. After a brilliant third place in the morning practice went Randy Krummenacher for a spot on the front row. Unfortunately crashed the Swiss rider in the last ten minutes of the session with a high-sider of his machine. Fortunately he got his Aprilia back to the garage where the mechanics were able to repair the machine in a record time. Krummenacher then rode a strong final lap and improved his best time and moved from the ninth to seventh place. The fastest man in the STIPA-Molenaar Racing GP Team therefore starts tomorrow from the second row.

Luis Salom drove in the first ten minutes of qualifying outset a faster time than the Friday workout. The Spaniard was maintained constant throughout the session in the top 10. Salom was in the tenth place and will hold for the second time this season starting from this position.

### **Randy Krummenacher (7<sup>th</sup>, 2:08.974):**

"I'm not happy that I crashed out in the last part of the session. My rhythm was good and I was able to improve my lap time every lap. After the third spot in free practice I wanted a place on the front row. I need to give the engineers a huge compliment. Thanks to them I could still improve from the ninth to a seventh place. I love the performance of the team! My race pace is good and I expect tomorrow to fight for a top five position. "

### **Luis Salom (10<sup>th</sup>, 2:09.496):**

"The free training was unsatisfactory. I wanted to be at least in the top 10, but I think I pushed too much. The qualifying session went much better and the changes we have made to the suspension worked out well. Soon I improved my lap time from the Friday and so I came right in the top 10. In the final lap of qualifying, I was hold up so I could not improve my time. But a tenth starting spot is a good position for the race. "

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