

## Gran Premio Motul de la Comunitat Valenciana in Spain (November 13)

The final Moto3 race of 2016 saw mixed emotions for the DRIVE M7 SIC Racing Team with Jakub Kornfeil having a heroic ride to 7th place, whilst teammate Adam Norrodin was hindered with a technical issue, concluding the Valencia Grand Prix in 27th position.

Let's give the final comment to the Team Manager himself Johan Stigefelt

"Jakub did an unbelievable job in his race today; the first few laps he was on fire. He really wanted to do well here and that's exactly what he did. He caught the first group and was with them running in the top five for the majority of the race. From starting in twenty fourth position, this was fantastic to see. I'm very pleased with Jakub's performance today. It's a shame he had to drop one position during the race due to exceeding the track limit, but it was still an exceptional race from him and we couldn't have asked for a lot more. I'm very happy to have finished eighth overall in the Championship with Jakub; this is our best position in Moto3 after these first two years.

Unfortunately for Adam he had a very difficult race here in Valencia. From the start he struggled to get up to speed. He couldn't find his rhythm and from the beginning of the race he felt like there was something not quite right with the bike, so it was very hard for him to make any progress. He finished but not in the way we had hoped for. Now he has to go back and work hard over the winter so that he is strong both mentally and physically for next year.

I want to say thank you to Jakub, Adam and the whole team; everyone has given there all to this year and have done an amazing job. We have adapted well to the Honda and improved throughout the season. We will again continue with Honda next year, so I'm confident that this will give us a good advantage for 2017."

There you have it folks the race chronicle for Drive M7 SIC Moto3 2016 campaign. Come the 2017 season a faster and stronger Adam Norrodin shall also have an entire World Moto3 season to add to his already ample race experience throughout his impressive career. And you can keep abreast of Adam's and his yet to be made public 2017 teammate - replacing Jakub whose contract ended with that solid seventh place at Valencia; right here in our seasonal race report for Drive M7 SIC Moto3 racing team.

Watch this space come the 2017 March 26 season opening Qatar GP.

## DRIVE M7 SIC FINISHED 2016 MOTO3 SEASON ON A HIGH NOTE SEASON ENDING SPECIAL FROM SEPANG & VALENCIA FINALE Shell Malaysia Grand Prix (October 30)

Ardent MotoGP followers ought to have noticed not only the extraordinary motivation shown by the entire Drive M7 SIC Moto3 team over the last couple of races preceding the Sepang race, but also on the part of its younger racer in Adam Norrodin - one among the trio of talented world-beating local boys. These exceptional pro motorcycle racers - the above mentioned Moto3 trio and the impressively consistent Hafizh Syahrin in Moto2 were the primary pull factor for the huge record breaking total attendance for that SIC MotoGP weekend, despite the rain rearing its expected and highly blessed presence.

As things unfolded for Drive M7 SIC Adam and Jakub Kornfeil the net result at the end, the commendable effort from the Drive M7 SIC team personnel on top of the charged up assault by the rider themselves, notwithstanding, it was a bittersweet outcome as it were. For the sweeter part there's the brilliant best ever runners up finish for Jakub Kornfeil; indelibly for Adam his eventual retirement after his relentless charge was indelibly bitter, having given his heart and soul in front of his home fans.

### #84 JAKUB KORNFEIL - P2

"This is my best career finish in Moto3 and the feeling

is amazing! I don't think it has completely sunk in yet; it still feels like a dream. It was a very difficult race; there was no grip in the tyre. The most important thing was to stay on the bike, study the track because it was changing every lap and be careful to avoid the wet patches. I want to say huge thanks to my team and to SIC [Sepang International Circuit] and all my sponsors and family. Without them I couldn't do this! I want to dedicate this second place to them. For me this result means a lot; the first podium of the year is always special and especially at the home GP of my team; it's incredible! To go back home with twenty points is fantastic."

### #7 Adam Norrodin - DNF

"I'm so sorry for the team, sponsors, Sepang Circuit and my family who travelled from so far away. I'm so disappointed with the race today. I was really looking forward to today; I was so excited to race in front of my home crowd."

Adam's disappointment littered every tiny nuances every little conjecture throughout his post race comment. Inasmuch the season finale at Valencia was the one last chance for a solid result for Adam.

