

1984-2014, CRG TO CELEBRATE ITS 30TH ANNIVERSARY IN WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS AT ESSAY

CRG will celebrate the 30th anniversary in World Championships at the forthcoming CIK-FIA World Championship to be held in Essay (France) next September 21st. The team's prize list features 36 World Championships won since 1984 with direct drive karts as well as with shifters.



The CIK-FIA KF World Championship will take place next 21 September 2014 in Essay (France) and this date will represent for CRG the 30th year of an history full of success since its first participation in a World Championship with direct drive karts that was won by the Danish driver Jorn Haase in Formula K on CRG-Kali Kart/Komet/Dunlop. That race was held in Germany, at Liedolsheim on 16 September 1984.

CRG, 36 WORLD TITLES WON

Since then, it has been a history full of success that made **CRG** the brand that is today: a world reference point in karting. Regarding CIK-FIA World Championships and World Cups won with direct drive karts, **CRG's** palmares contains **25 titles** secured from 1984 to 2013, as the latter was won by Tom Joyner on Zanardi by Tinini Group, that is CRG.

Some 11 further World Titles came CRG's ways in shifter karting series, including World Champoinships and World Cups in Formula C, KZ1 and KZ2. This success story starts from **Gabriele Tarquini's** title back in 1984 and gets to nowadays with the two titles won by **Jordon Lennox-Lamb** in the KZ2 World Cup of 2012 and by **Max Verstappen** in the KZ 2013 World Championship in 2013.

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CRG'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Regarding the direct drive karts and the **25 titles** won by CRG in this category, following the victory obtained by **Haase**, the world championships record-man, **Mike Wilson** (6 titles in his career), won the title in 1985 and put his name under CRG's second win on September 22 in Parma in Formula K, on CRG-Kali Kart/Komet/Dunlop. **Wilson** repeated the feat for CRG twice more in Formula K, in 1988 in Laval (18 September) and in 1989 in Valence (17 September). Meanwhile, the French driver **Emmanuel Collard** on CRG/Rotax/Dunlop also won the World Championship in Formula Super 100 in 1988 at Laval's circuit.

In 1990, the Danish driver **Jan Magnussen** – who then climbed up the motorsport ladder all the way to Formula 1 – won the World Championship in Formula K in Jesolo on 16 September on CRG/Rotax/Bridgestone. The same event held in Jesolo started also **Danilo Rossi's** era, as the driver won the Formula A World Championship on CRG/Rotax/Dunlop.

Danilo Rossi and CRG repeated their success in 1992 in Formula K on CRG/Rotax/Dunlop at Ugento (20 September). In 1994, **Alessandro Manetti** won the World Championship Formula Super A on CRG/Rotax/Vega in Cordoba (Argentina) on 18 September.

Danilo Rossi won again the World Championship Formula Super A on CRG/CRG/Dunlop in 1997, in Salbris (France) on 14 September. **Danilo Rossi** went then again winning ways in 1999 in the World Championship Formula Super A on CRG/CRG/Dunlop in Mariembourg (Belgium) on 19 September.

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Vitantonio Liuzzi – who later on competed in Formula 1 – won the 2001 World Championship in Formula Super A on CRG/Maxter/Bridgestone. That championship for the first time was run in 5 rounds (Montreal 17 June, Salbris 29 July, Sarno 26 August, Mariembourg 23 September, Kerpen 28 October).

The following year, another CRG driver that afterwards went on to race in Formula 1, the Dutch **Giedo Van Der Garde** on CRG/Maxter/Bridgestone won the World Championship in Formula Super A, at the end of a 5 rounds campaign (Mariembourg 2 June, Alaharma 30 June, Braga 11 August, Salbris 8 September, La Conca 27 October).

CRG won another world title, for the third time in a row, in 2003 as the New Zealand's driver **Wade Grant Cunningham** on CRG/Maxter/Bridgestone secure the Formula A World Championship in Sarno (Italy) on 20 October.

The French **Arnaud Kozlinski** won hands down the 2009 campaign of the Super KF World Championship on 8 November in Macau on CRG/Maxter/Bridgestone.

A year later, the Dutch driver **Nick De Vries**, won the KF2 World Championship in Zuera (Spain) for Tinini Group on Zanardi/Parilla/Bridgestone on 19 September. **De Vries** repeated this success in 2011 winning the KF1 World Championship with Tinini Group on Zanardi/Parilla/Bridgestone. This edition of the championship was run again in 5 rounds (Wackersdorf 12 June, Zuera 24 July, Genk 4 September, Sarno 18 September, Suzuka 13 November).

The latest KF World Championship won by CRG is dated 2013, as **Tom Joyner** on Zanardi/Tm/Bridgestone was victorious for Tinini Group after the two rounds of Brandon held on 1 September and in Bahrain on 23 November.

WORLD CUPS

Some further world titles went CRG's ways from the World Cups. The circuit of Suzuka (Japan) has been the battle field for direct drive kart categories during 90s. In 1992 **Danilo Rossi** secured the title in Formula K on 31 May, then **Alberto Pedemonte** won it in the same event but in Formula A on CRG-Kali Kart/Rotax/Dunlop. **Paolo Moro** on CRG-Kali Kart/Italsistem/Vega won the Formula A World Cup on 30 May 1993. **Luca Casazza** won it again in Formula A on CRG/Rotax/Vega on 29 May 1994. In 1999, **Vitantonio Liuzzi** secured the Formula Super A World Cup on CRG/CRG/Bridgestone on 28 November.

In 2000 the Brit **Lewis Hamilton** – who also went all the way from CRG to Formula One – made the title his on CRG/Parilla/Bridgestone in Formula A, at Montegi's track (Japan), on 26 November.

Finally, in 2012 **Felice Tiene** on CRG/Bmb/Vega won the KF2 World Cup in an historic triplet for CRG in Zuera's race held on 23 September. In the occasion, Max Verstappen was second and Jordon Lennox-Lamb third.

CRG / TININI GROUP PALMARES KF

CIK-FIA World Championship KF (and similar categories)

2013: **Tom Joyner** (GB) (Tinini Group), KF, Zanardi / TM / Vega
Rd1 Brandon, Rd2 Bahrain

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2012: **Felice Tienne** (I), KF2 (World Cup), CRG / Bmb / Vega
Zuera, 23.09.12

2011: **Nick De Vries** (NL) (Tinini Group), KF1, Zanardi / Parilla / Bridgestone
Rd1 Wackersdorf, Rd2 Zuera, Rd3 Genk, Rd4 Sarno, Rd5 Suzuka

2010: **Nick De Vries** (NL) (Tinini Group), KF2, Zanardi / Parilla / Dunlop
Zuera, 19.09.10

2009: **Arnaud Kozlinski** (F), Super KF, CRG / Maxter / Bridgestone
Macau, 08.11.09

2003: **Wade Grant Cunningham** (NZ), Formula A, CRG / Maxter / Bridgestone
Sarno, 26.10.03

2002: **Giedo Van der Garde** (NL), Formula Super A, CRG / Maxter / Bridgestone
Rd1 Mariembourg, Rd2 Alaharma, Rd3 Braga, Rd4 Salbris, Rd5 La Conca

2001: **Vitantonio Liuzzi** (I), Formula Super A, CRG / Maxter / Bridgestone
Rd1 Montreal, Rd2 Salbris, Rd3 Sarno, Rd4 Mariembourg, Rd5 Kerpen

2000: **Lewis Hamilton** (GB), Formula A (World Cup), CRG / Parilla / Bridgestone
Montegi, 26.11.00

1999: **Vitantonio Liuzzi** (I), Formula Super A (World Cup), CRG / CRG / Bridgestone
Suzuka, 28.11.99

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1999: **Danilo Rossi** (I), Formula Super A, CRG / CRG / Dunlop
Mariembourg, 19.09.99

1997: **Danilo Rossi** (I), Formula Super A, CRG / CRG / Dunlop
Salbris, 14.09.97

1994: **Luca Casazza** (I), Formula A (World Cup), CRG / Rotax / Vega
Suzuka, 29.05.94

1994: **Alessandro Manetti** (I), Formula Super A, CRG / Rotax / Vega
Cordoba, 18.09.94

1993: **Paolo Moro** (I), Formula A (World Cup), CRG-Kali / Italsistem / Vega
Suzuka, 30.05.93

1992: **Alberto Pedemonte** (I), Formula A (World Cup), CRG-Kali / Rotax / Dunlop
Suzuka, 31.05.92

1992: **Danilo Rossi** (I), Formula K (World Cup), CRG / Rotax / Dunlop
Suzuka, 31.05.92

1992: **Danilo Rossi** (I), Formula K, CRG / Rotax / Dunlop
Ugento, 20.09.92

1990: **Jan Magnussen** (DK), Formula K, CRG / Rotax / Bridgestone
Jesolo, 16.09.90

1990: **Danilo Rossi** (I), Formula A, CRG / Rotax / Dunlop
Jesolo, 16.09.90

1989: **Mike Wilson** (GB), Formula K, CRG / Komet / Dunlop
Valence, 17.09.89

1988: **Mike Wilson** (GB), Formula K, CRG / Komet / Dunlop
Laval, 18.09.88

1988: **Emmanuel Collard** (F), F. Super 100, CRG / Rotax / Dunlop
Laval, 18.09.88

1985: **Mike Wilson** (GB), Formula K, CRG-Kali / Komet / Dunlop
Parma, 22.09.85

1984: **Jorn Haase** (DK), Formula K, CRG-Kali / Komet / Dunlop
Liedolsheim, 16.09.84

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