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RACES 5 AND 6

CIRCUIT MONT-TREMBLANT
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OLIVIER BÉDARD AND KEVIN KING WIN THE NISSAN MICRA CUP SUMMER CLASSIC

– Four new drivers make their debut in a spectacular event at the Circuit Mont-Tremblant –

After the first two events of the 2018 Nissan Micra Cup season were contested in Ontario this spring, the series kicked off its summer season this weekend with rounds five and six at the Circuit Mont-Tremblant in the Laurentians of Quebec. Though the track is well known by many of the contestants, it presented a new challenge for four new drivers – Pictured below, from left to right: Frédéric Bouthillier, André Lapointe, Perry Wener and Éric Chaput with series promoter Jacques Deshaies – who made their Micra Cup debut this weekend. The races' top honours went to Olivier Bédard on Saturday and Kevin King on Sunday.

Another challenge awaited drivers new and old on Saturday when it started to rain before the start of the qualifying race. It was not enough however, to dampen the spirits of the competitors at the wheel of their agile Micra S cars on the majestic Circuit Mont-Tremblant. By the end of the session, two-time series champion (2015, 2017) and current championship leader, Olivier Bédard, claimed another pole position, ahead of veteran and Senior Class leader, Normand Boyer, Kevin King, Jake Exton, novice Fadi Mourad and Valérie Limoges.

Sunny skies dried out the track in the afternoon for the Nissan Micra owners' parade lap and the race drivers opted for slick tires on the dry track to start the race. As soon as the green flag was waved, 20 Nissan Micra S vehicles began a stellar show!

The top six drivers quickly found themselves in a good battle, with Englishman Jake Exton wheel-to-wheel with Bédard for the top spot. Limoges, Mourad, King and Boyer followed suit, ready to benefit from even the slightest error among the leaders. Not far behind, American Mike Ogren, Austin Riley and Frédéric Bernier were put on an impressive show.

The drivers crossed the finish line under a caution flag after an incident eliminated Mourad and Limoges, securing another victory for Bédard as he finished ahead of Exton, King, Ogren, Riley, Bernier, Boyer (penalized three positions following contact with Limoges/Mourad), Ouellet, Touchette and Chaput. Chaput's top 10 result was especially impressive given it was his racing debut. The other rookies Bouthillier, Lapointe and Wener were grouped in 14th- 16th respectively.

After claiming pole position in Sunday's qualifying session leading up to the second race, King was in a great place to put an end to Bédard's winning streak. All drivers had an excellent start and as per the qualifying order, King, Boyer, Bédard, Limoges and Exton did not let up for the entire 40-minute race. Thousands of trackside spectators held their collective breath on multiple occasions as they witnessed several skillful passing maneuvers by the Nissan Micra Cup drivers. Despite pressure from Bédard, who finished ahead of Boyer by only a few hundredths of a second, nobody was able to overtake King on his way to a well-earned victory.

Boyer was penalized and finally finished sixth, Limoges clinched a spot on the podium, Jake Exton was fourth and Fadi Mourad was once again the top Novice finisher and fifth overall. Frédéric Bernier, Nicolas Touchette, Mario Berthiaume and Mike Ogren completed the top 10. Among this weekend's new drivers to the series, Chaput repeated as the dominant of the 4, finishing 11th overall, while Bouthillier was 15th, Lapointe 18th and Wener 19th.





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NEXT EVENT:

PLENTY OF NISSAN ACTIVITIES AT THE GP3R

The Summer Classic at Circuit Mont-Tremblant just ended, but the next Nissan Micra Cup event – Grand Prix de Trois-Rivières – is just around the corner. For a fourth consecutive year, the series' drivers will be back on the renowned urban GP3R track, which has welcomed many famous drivers throughout the years, such as Gilles Villeneuve and his brother Jacques; and James Hunt and Patrick Carpentier, winners of the Indy 500, the 24 Hours of Le Mans and many other world-class events. The 2018 event will take place from August 10-12. Presentation...

VIP ZONE FOR NISSAN OWNERS



There will be even more activities offered on site for Nissan owners. Upon presentation of their Nissan key, owners will have access to the Nissan VIP hospitality – a relaxing zone in the paddocks of the Nissan Micra Cup to enjoy a BBQ, beverages and more. The guests will also have access to the Nissan Micra Cup paddocks to meet the series' drivers.

"Last year, we created a unique event around the Nissan Micra Cup, to thank nearly 1,000 customers for their trust in the brand," shared Joni Paiva, president, Nissan Canada. "The loyalty of our customers is an essential part of our success in Quebec and that is why we renewed this unifying event during the Nissan Micra Cup"



ANOTHER FREE SHOW!

After the success of last year's show, "From the Track to The Stage," Nissan is pleased to bring it back, this time featuring comedian Étienne Dano (pictured left) and singer Travis Cormier. The second edition of "From the Track to The Stage" will start at 8 p.m., Saturday; admission is free and open to all. There will also be a VIP section reserved exclusively for Nissan owners; access is free by presenting a Nissan key at the entrance. Owners will also enjoy a prime spot for the "Magic of Fireworks" display, taking place right after the show.

For more information on Travis Cormier and Étienne Dano, visit their official websites: www.traviscormierofficial.com and www.etiennedano.com.

In another exciting perk for clients, 750 Nissan owners from the province of Quebec received an exclusive invitation to take part in the Nissan Micra Cup festivities during the GP3R. In addition to the track activities, owners are invited to a mac and cheese dinner taking place on Saturday, August 12 at 6 p.m. near the main stage at the Parc Portuaire in downtown Trois-Rivières.



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THE GP3R ANNOUNCES ITS ELECTRIC RALLY

The GP3R will include electric cars for the first time with the first edition of the 100 per cent Electric Rally, held on Thursday, August 9. 50 electric vehicles, each driven by a pair of drivers, will leave Beauharnois, Quebec and drive a little over 200 kilometers to Trois-Rivières, being judged on their driving efficiency. Public figures taking the wheel of the all-new Nissan LEAF 2018 include co-animators of the show *Entrée-Principale* Pascale Levesque and Isabelle Lacasse, comedian Étienne Dano and two-time Nissan Micra Cup champion Olivier Bédard (2015, 2017).

LEAF LEADING THE FIELD AT THE GP3R!

Continuing the electric vehicle theme, the all-new 2018 Nissan LEAF will be the Nissan Micra Cup pace car for the first time at the GP3R. "All electrical and with state-of-the-art technologies, the new Nissan LEAF redefines standards in the ever-expanding electrical car market," said Joni Paiva. "With an electrical engine of 147 horsepower and 239 lb-ft of torque, the audience will be amazed by the LEAF's performances on the track."

"We're thrilled to have the Nissan Micra Cup once again as the automotive partner of the 49th edition of the GP3R," said Dominic Fugère, general manager, Grand Prix de Trois-Rivières. "We are excited that the 2018 Nissan LEAF is participating in the first ever 100 per cent e-efficiency electric rally in Canada, in addition to being the first all-electric pace car at the GP3R. Whether in the paddocks, trackside or downtown on Saturday night, Nissan customers and guests will appreciate the insider experience at the Grand Prix. On the track, I am confident that the Nissan Micra Cup drivers will thrill the fans with spectacular and breath-taking races. Nissan is a leader in the electric car market and we are pleased to have many Nissan LEAF vehicles participating in the e-efficiency rally. The electric car represents tomorrow's mobility, and it is important for the GP3R to have its eyes on the future."

RACES STREAMING LIVE ON YOUTUBE !

For those who can't attend the Grand Prix de Trois-Rivières, the Nissan Micra Cup races will be broadcast live on the Series' Youtube Channel. This represents a unique opportunity to enjoy the show from afar.

For more information on the Nissan Micra Cup festivities during the Grand Prix de Trois-Rivières, check out the official series website: www.micracup.com.



SCHEDULE

Friday, August 10

- 2:00 pm – 2:30 pm** Nissan Micra Cup Practice Session (30 minutes)
- 5 :35 pm – 6:05 pm** Nissan Micra Cup Qualifications (40 minutes)

Saturday, August 11

- 11:15 am – 11:55 am** Nissan Micra Cup Race #1 (40 minutes)
- 2:00 pm – 2:30 pm** Autograph Session – Nissan Micra Cup drivers
- 8:30 pm** Free show "FROM THE TRACK TO THE STAGE"
Étienne Dano and Travis Cormier at the Parc Portuaire, Downtown Trois-Rivières
- 10:00 pm** Magic of Fireworks at the Parc Portuaire, Downtown Trois-Rivières

Sunday, August 12

- 11:15 am – 11:55 am** Nissan Micra Cup Race #2 (40 minutes)
- 1:00 pm- 1:30 pm** Autograph Session – Nissan Micra Cup drivers

For the full schedule of the Grand Prix de Trois-Rivières, visit the GP3R official website: <http://gp3r.com/en>



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CIRCUIT MONT-TREMBLANT RACE 5 AND 6 RESULTS

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QUALIFICATION RACE 1

- 1) Olivier Bédard #1
- 2) Normand Boyer #11
- 3) Kevin King #40
- 4) Jake Exton #00
- 5) Fadi Mourad #77
- 6) Valérie Limoges #220
- 7) Mike Ogren #17
- 8) Frédéric Bernier #28
- 9) Austin Riley #20
- 10) Nicolas Touchette #55
- 11) Sylvain Ouellet #98
- 12) Éric Chaput #116
- 13) Peter Dyck #73
- 14) Alex Habrich #75
- 15) Mario Charette #728
- 16) André Lapointe #47
- 17) Michael Habrich #88
- 18) Frédéric Bouthillier #69
- 19) Perry Wener #86
- DNS) Marc Héroux #24

QUALIFICATION RACE 2

- 1) Kevin King #40
- 2) Normand Boyer #11
- 3) Olivier Bédard #1
- 4) Valérie Limoges #220
- 5) Jake Exton #00
- 6) Austin Riley #20
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RACE 1

- 1) Olivier Bédard 18 laps
- 2) Jake Exton -0.500
- 3) Kevin King -1.325
- 4) Mike Ogren -3.139
- 5) Austin Riley -3.365
- 6) Frédéric Bernier -3.887
- 7) Normand Boyer Penalty
- 8) Sylvain Ouellet -4.679
- 9) Nicolas Touchette -5.338
- 10) Éric Chaput -5.700
- 11) Mario Charette -6.509
- 12) Alex Habrich -7.115
- 13) Michael Habrich -7.651
- 14) Frédéric Bouthillier -8.434
- 15) André Lapointe -9.931
- 16) Perry Wener -1 lap
- 17) Fadi Mourad -3 laps
- 18) Valérie Limoges -4 laps
- 19) Marc Héroux -10 laps
- 20) Peter Dyck -11 laps

RACE 2

- 1) Kevin King 19 laps
- 2) Olivier Bédard -0.422
- 3) Valérie Limoges -1.470
- 4) Jake Exton -2.009
- 5) Fadi Mourad -16.694
- 6) Normand Boyer Penalty
- 7) Frédéric Bernier -20.385
- 8) Nicolas Touchette -35.319
- 9) Mario Berthiaume -38.258
- 10) Mike Ogren Penalty
- 11) Éric Chaput -48.850
- 12) Marc Héroux -49.338
- 13) Alex Habrich -51.348
- 14) Peter Dyck -55.805
- 15) Frédéric Bouthillier -1:08.433
- 16) Austin Riley -1:16.412
- 17) Michael Habrich -1:25.470
- 18) André Lapointe -1:33.100
- 19) Perry Wener -1 lap
- 20) Sylvain Ouellet -13 laps

DRIVERS STANDINGS

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|---|---|
| 1) Olivier Bédard 244 points | 21) Vic Simone (Senior) 15 points |
| 2) Kevin King 216 points | 22) Frédéric Bouthillier (Rookie) 13 points |
| 3) Normand Boyer (Senior) 150 points | 23) André Lapointe (S.+R.) 9 points |
| 4) Valérie Limoges 137 points | 24) Perry Wener (S.+R.) 8 points |
| 5) Jake Exton 132 points | |
| 6) Frédéric Bernier (Senior) 112 points | |
| 7) Mike Ogren 104 points | |
| 8) Fadi Mourad (Rookie) 103 points | |
| 9) Austin Riley 99 points | |
| 10) Sylvain Ouellet (Senior) 63 points | |
| 11) Peter Dyck (Senior) 60 points | |
| 12) Michael Habrich 54 points | |
| 13) Alex Habrich (Senior) 48 points | |
| 14) Marc Héroux (Senior) 38 points | |
| 15) Mario Berthiaume (Senior) 30 points | |
| 16) Nicolas Touchette 30 points | |
| 17) Mario Charette (S.+R.) 25 points | |
| 18) Edward Wong (Senior) 22 points | |
| 18) Éric Chaput (S.+R.) 22 points | |
| 20) Carl Wener (Senior) 21 points | |



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