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Road Trip Results In More Podiums for Lewis Cornish

British Championship Supermoto racer Lewis Cornish has had a hectic week scooping two podium places in two separate National Championships 1600 miles apart..!

Last weekend the Norfolk based Nameplate Services/DCR rider battled hard to take the Elite 450 runner up spot at round three of the televised British Supermoto Championship at Finmere near Buckingham. The all new circuit was a change from the supermoto norm as the usual 80% tarmac, 20% off-road ratio was reversed and following a second place qualifying session it didn't start well for Lewis and his team mate Davey Todd. Both riders were late to the holding area and were penalised by having to give up their front row grid positions to start from the back row. Undaunted both riders set about the task of passing rider after rider on an inspired charge through the pack. Lewis managed to work his way up to third, which meant that he could start on the front row for race two. Cornish made the most of his new grid position to take the runner up spot in both the remaining races and so close the championship points gap at the top of the table. The Open Elite races promised much with another good qualifying place but a series of crashes and two punctures meant that despite a lightening pit stop to change the punctured rear wheel Lewis could only manage sixth overall by the end of the day.

When the race weekend concluded and with no time to spare the team prepared Lewis' spare race machine at the circuit for a mammoth 32 hour drive across seven European countries so he could compete in the Latvian Supermoto Championships. Arriving at the circuit without his usual mechanics, helpers and team members Lewis organised his limited resources and put in a blistering qualifying lap to take pole position from Russian former World Championship racer Alexander Latyshev. In difficult wet conditions these two riders pulled away at the head of the pack to wow the crowds with a breathtaking display of all-action supermoto racing. Following 25 minutes of frantic passes and re-passes Lewis emerged the winner of race one. Perhaps unsurprisingly race two saw even more intense action as Cornish and his rival battled bar to bar until the young Brit once again forced his way to the front and pulled a gap on his rival to take the chequered flag and overall victory.

Lewis explained " *That was one of my best rides ever, so far this season Alex has been unbeaten in all of the championships he competes in. I knew I had the pace here and the crowd were willing me on but in race two I mindful he was out to push even harder for the win. His pace on the dirt was very fast but I had the better of him on the slippery tarmac and this is where I timed my final move to take the lead and once I cleanly past him I put in a couple of quick laps to take the win. I'd like to thank Edgars Ivuskans for getting me here and its been really strange having to do all of the maintenance and adjustments by myself but at least the tyre choice was easy in the wet. I've been invited back to Latvia and I'd love to come here again soon.*"

This month will be an even busier time for Lewis Cornish with his next race being the British Championship at Blyton Raceway on the 8th – 9th June closely followed by the prestigious Pageant of Power three day meeting at Cholmondeley Castle in Cheshire. The remainder of the month will conclude another road trip to the Czech GP at Sosnova to compete in the European Championships.

Keep up to date with Lewis' race season by clicking onto www.lewiscornish.co.uk



Lewis tackling the atrocious conditions in Latvia



Lewis celebrating another podium success in Latvia

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