German motorcycle Grand Prix of the FIM Grand Prix motorcycle racing world Championship

Also this year the German motorcycle Grand Prix. was held at the "Sachsenring" at Hohenstein / Ernstthal on the last weekend .This German motorcycle Grand Prix was only possible because a new contract between the ADAC and the FIM had been completed a few months ago about the further holding of the Grand Prix for the next 6 years. The contract and the host of this year's Grand Prix were again made possible by a strong financial injection from the Saxon State Government, with special intercession by MP Mr.. Tillisch .

This year the motorcycle sports fans celebrate the 85 year anniversary of the "Sachsenring".

The first race was held on 26 May 1927 on an 8.7 km layout on public roads, running also through the village of <u>Hohenstein-Ernstthal</u> itself. It was dubbed "Sachsenring" in 1937.

In 1949 it revived after the wartime break the race. 1950 approximately 400,000 spectators attended the race for the all-German Motorcycle Championship. Another highlight were discharged on the 8,7 km road race course, the road Cycling World Championship in 1960, where the amateur races Bernhard Eckstein won before Täve Schur. From 1961 saw the "old" Sachsenring its heyday, because until 1972 at the high-speed track races for the World Motorcycle Championship took place here.

The GDR motorcycle Grand Prix was held there from 1962 to 1971. The local two stroke MZ bikes of Zschopau were competitive during this time. The quickest lap was achieved by 15 time World Champion Giacomo Agostini on a MV Agusta with an average of 180 km/h. After West German Dieter Braun won in 1971 and the GDR fans sang the West German National Anthem in celebration (as is the case in sport, the winner's National Anthem is played after the event), the event was limited to East European entrants for political reasons.

1955 to 1965 also was the period at which I can remember to. As a teenager, my buddies and I were always at the races at the Sachsenring, because my birthplace and home was only 6 km away from the racetrack. Of course, we had never had tickets, but we knew to be accurate the slip -quencher in the fences. I fondly remember Mike Hellwoud, Gary Hocking, and Giacomo Agostini, who is this year's guest of honor at the "Sachsenring. Unfortunately, I had to experience 1969 the fatal crash of the British motorcycle world champion Bill Ivy. And unfortunately, the former for our misery, than in the 125 class in the world rankings leading GDR driver Ernst Degner on MZ in running stalled his engine and same weeks later thenhe went to the West. Except for some later small MZ-success of Heinz Fügner, Rosner and Bischoff was the pre-drawn off for the international motorcycle racing in the GDR

In 1990 the western machines were available now, the old race at Sachsenring - street circuit was too dangerous).

Therefore to accelerate redevelopment of eastern Germany in the new unified Germany, a 2.9 km (1.8 mi) short track at the westernmost *Queckenberg* corner was built in the 1990s to bring international motorsport to the newly freed eastern part of Germany. In 1996. IDM motorcycle racing and the <u>ADAC Super Tourenwagen Cup</u> resumed racing here. The <u>DTM</u> raced here in 2000, with <u>Klaus Ludwig</u> winning at age 51, but the DTM did not return, preferring international venues.

Since 1998, the <u>German motorcycle Grand Prix</u> moved to the Sachsenring from <u>Nürburgring</u>. In recent years, the track has been made faster and longer again, with the length now being 3670m.

The success story of "Sachsenring was last updated in this year. The Motorcycle Grand Prix was sporty the best in the last 15 years. In the race of Motore3-class -Cortese Santro-a German- made for cheering with the fans. The 22-year Schwabe went across the finish line at first. So it was a victory of a German on the traditional route after 21 years. With 195 685 (record about 240,000) more fans watched the race how the organizer had been expected, because of the increased cost for the organization of the race, the ticket prices were increased by 30%. The "Sachsenring racetrack Management company" drew an overall positive conclusion of the event. Tenor" We are delighted that the Grand Prix is gone over the stage. " The sometimes heavy rainfall demanded from riders and the organizers all and the spectators had to be very brave. A positive conclusion also drawn to the ADAC, it praised the organizers and the event management very much. The President of the ADAC said, "The Grand Prix 2012 has proven once again that there isn't any alternative for motorcycle sport to the Sachsenring. The contract between the ADAC and the FMI runs until 2016

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