

# BMW Motorrad BoxerCup 2002

## Press information

### Hatrick for new series leader Thomas Hinterreiter

Austria's Thomas Hinterreiter completed a fine weekend on the baking hot Catalunya racetrack for the third round of the BMW Motorrad BoxerCup 2002, defeating Stéphane Mertens and BoxerCup ambassador Randy Mamola to the highest rank of the podium. Starting from pole position, the Team Austria rider moved up from fourth position on lap one to eventually secure a 3-second lead past the chequered flag. Fourth in the provisional standings on his arrival in Spain, the ex-German Superbike champion leaves Barcelona as the new series leader.



*"This was one of those weekends where you couldn't hope for things to get any better," grinned an overjoyed Hinterreiter, one of his proud children safely tucked under his arm as he walked down from the podium. "My bike worked perfectly*

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*throughout the weekend, and I was lucky to make the right tyre choice for the race from the range of Metzellers available."*

In the scorching heat with track temperatures climbing as high as 49°C, Hinterreiter worked his way up the field to take the lead on lap six of the 15-lap race. *"Panichi proved to be a really tough opponent, and although I was riding as hard as I could he just wouldn't let go... until he eventually crashed out of the race on lap 10."*

Hinterreiter was also able to open up his lead when championship leader Markus Barth lost the front end of his BMW R 1100 S on lap seven, with third placed Mertens only very closely avoiding the German rider's machine. *"I think catching Thomas was possible, but Hoffman got in my way and slowed me down,"* explained Mertens. *"Later in the race Randy Mamola passed me for second position, and it looked like we were closing the gap on the leader. But there was not enough race left,"* said a nevertheless satisfied Mertens.

Indeed Hinterreiter and Mertens had every right to be satisfied, since they now lead the provisional standings with Hinterreiter on 52 points, ahead of Mertens on 40.

UK representative Brian Morrison lived up to his reputation with a fine 6<sup>th</sup> position, leading the second pack composed of Jorge "Aspar" Martinez and Ivan Lazzarini. After a conservative start to the season, the Scot has now gotten to grips with the BMW R 1100 S, and leads the British delegation in sixth provisional position.

The race saw no less than eight crashes (Buylincks, Legrelle, Mandelartz, Barth, Panichi, Njstrom, Lagrive), with early leader Markus Barth even tumbling a second time after he attempted to rejoin the race. But fortunately no-one was injured. *"It seems that many riders adopted the softer compound front tyre,"* explained Randy Mamola, *"while the right choice was the medium hard compound Metzeler which was perfect. But that's racing and once again the guys out there proved what a good show those BMW riders can put on. I really had a ball out there, and my biggest satisfaction was to have my kids come up on the podium with me !"*

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### Championship standings after Round 3 of 8

	Nr.	Team	Rider	28.4.	1.6.	15.6.	Total
1	7	Team Austria-Hinterreiter	Thomas Hinterreiter	11	16	25	52
2	1	BMW Belgium/Faignoy Motor	Stéphane Mertens	20	0	20	40
3	6	BMW Group Niederlassungen Racing Team	Markus Barth	25	13	0	38
4	99	Dream Car Team	Roberto Panichi	13	25	0	38
5	5	Motorrad Senger Racing Team	Andy Hofmann	0	20	16	36
6	11	BMW Motorrad Great Britain	Brian Morrison	10	8	13	31
7	21	BMW Belgium/Herpigny Motor	Sébastien Legrelle	16	11	0	27
8	47	BMW Motorrad Great Britain	Richard Cooper	8	9	7	24
9	79	Solo Moto	Ivan Lazzarini	2	10	11	23
10	12	BMW Motorrad Great Britain	Gus Scott	6	7	6	19
11	31	Ducos Moto	Philippe Thomas	3	6	9	18
12	17	Interviú/Busquets	Javier Rodriguez	5	2	10	17
13	9	Motociclismo	Antonio Calasso	9	0	0	9
14	59	BRH Motos	François Ciciliani	4	0	4	8
15	16	Interviú/Busquets	Fernando Cristóbal	0	0	8	8
16	45	BMW Belgium/Bavarian Motorsport	Dirk Buylinckx	7	0	0	7
17	48	BMW Belgium/A.M. Superbike	Grégory Fastré	0	4	2	6
18	22	Bernhardt + Röhrich	Klaus Nies	0	3	3	6
19	35	Das Boxer Team	Norbert Rebholz	0	5	0	5
20	37	BMW Belgium/Lievens Mechanics	Steven Casaer	0	0	5	5
21	13	Hakvoort-Klipfel Racing	Herbert Mandelartz	0	1	0	1
22	3	Gilex Racing	Lex van Dijk	1	0	0	1
23	27	Interviú/Busquets	Agustí Busquets	0	0	1	1
24	14	Nico Bakker	Jeroen Oudeman	0	0	0	0
25	20	Hobi-Moto	Jakob Hobi	0	0	0	0
26	4	SPC	Tony MacBride	0	0	0	0
27	33	Moto Technic	Franck Renault	0	0	0	0
28	10	BMW Sweden	Tobias Nyström	0	0	0	0
29	36	Interviú/Busquets	Alex Busquets	0	0	0	0
30	85	Team Le Brasseur	Matthieu Lagrive	0	0	0	0
31	8	Interviú/Busquets	Josep Maria Busquets	0	0	0	0
32	91	Sport Garage	Stéphane Coutelle	0	0	0	0

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## Race Classification

after 15 laps = 70.905 km

Pos		Rider	Nation	Team	MOTORCYCLE	Total Time	Km/h	Gap
1	25	7 <b>Thomas HINTERREITER</b>	AUT	Team Austria-Hinterreiter	BMW	<b>30'10.264</b>	141.005	
2	20	1 <b>Stephane MERTENS</b>	BEL	BMW Belgium/Faignoy Moto	BMW	<b>30'13.280</b>	140.771	3.016
3	16	2 <b>Randy MAMOLA</b>	USA	VIP	BMW	<b>30'13.506</b>	140.753	3.242
4	13	11 <b>Jurgen FUCHS</b>	GER	VIP	BMW	<b>30'13.699</b>	140.738	3.435
5	11	5 <b>Andy HOFFMANN</b>	SWI	Motorrad Senger	BMW	<b>30'14.347</b>	140.688	4.083
6	10	11 <b>Brian MORRISON</b>	GBR	BMW Motorrad Great Britai	BMW	<b>30'25.243</b>	139.848	14.979
7	9	15 <b>Jorge MARTINEZ</b>	SPA	VIP	BMW	<b>30'27.450</b>	139.679	17.186
8	8	79 <b>Ivan LAZZARINI</b>	ITA	Solo Moto	BMW	<b>30'27.691</b>	139.661	17.427
9	7	17 <b>Javier RODRIGUEZ</b>	SPA	Interviú/Busquets	BMW	<b>30'35.163</b>	139.092	24.899
10	6	31 <b>Philippe THOMAS</b>	FRA	Ducos Moto	BMW	<b>30'37.940</b>	138.882	27.676
11	5	16 <b>Fernando CRISTÓBAL</b>	SPA	Interviú/Busquets	BMW	<b>30'38.203</b>	138.862	27.939
12	4	47 <b>Richard COOPER</b>	GBR	BMW Motorrad Great Britai	BMW	<b>30'38.593</b>	138.833	28.329
13	3	12 <b>Gus SCOTT</b>	GBR	BMW Motorrad Great Britai	BMW	<b>30'44.608</b>	138.380	34.344
14	2	37 <b>Steven CASAER</b>	BEL	BMW Belgium/Lievens Mec	BMW	<b>30'55.742</b>	137.550	45.478
15	1	59 <b>Francois CICILIANI</b>	FRA	BRH Motos	BMW	<b>30'56.070</b>	137.526	45.806
16		22 <b>Klaus NIES</b>	GER	Bernhardt + Röhrich	BMW	<b>30'56.391</b>	137.502	46.127
17		48 <b>Grégory FASTRÉ</b>	BEL	BMW Belgium/A.M. Superbi	BMW	<b>30'56.535</b>	137.491	46.271
18		27 <b>Agustí BUSQUETS</b>	SPA	Interviú/Busquets	BMW	<b>30'56.976</b>	137.458	46.712
19		3 <b>Lex VAN DIJK</b>	NED	Gilex Racing	BMW	<b>30'57.444</b>	137.424	47.180
20		85 <b>Matthieu LAGRIVE</b>	FRA	Team Le Brasseur	BMW	<b>30'57.960</b>	137.386	47.696
21		36 <b>Alex BUSQUETS</b>	SPA	Interviú/Busquets	BMW	<b>31'05.671</b>	136.818	55.407
22		8 <b>Josep BUSQUETS</b>	SPA	Interviú/Busquets	BMW	<b>31'06.906</b>	136.727	56.642
23		10 <b>Tobias NYSTRÖM</b>	SWE	BMW Sweden	BMW	<b>31'28.348</b>	135.175	1'18.084
24		33 <b>Franck RENAULT</b>	FRA	Moto Technic	BMW	<b>31'28.378</b>	135.173	1'18.114
25		14 <b>Jeroen OUDEMAN</b>	NED	Nico Bakker	BMW	<b>31'28.778</b>	135.144	1'18.514
26		25 <b>Xavier GRAU</b>	SPA	VIP	BMW	<b>31'39.250</b>	134.399	1'28.986
27		20 <b>Jakob HOBI</b>	SWI	Hobi-Moto	BMW	<b>31'53.757</b>	133.380	1'43.493
28		4 <b>Tony Mac BRIDE</b>	GBR	SPC	BMW	<b>31'56.230</b>	133.208	1'45.966
29		21 <b>Sebastien LEGRELLE</b>	BEL	BMW Belgium/Herpigny Mot	BMW	<b>26'45.371</b>	127.201	3 laps
<b>Not enough laps completed</b>								
		6 <b>Markus BARTH</b>	GER	BMW Group Niederlassung	BMW	<b>20'35.448</b>	137.741	5 laps
		99 <b>Roberto PANICHI</b>	ITA	Dream Car Team	BMW	<b>18'05.247</b>	141.124	6 laps
		91 <b>Stephane COUTELLE</b>	FRA	Sport Garage	BMW	<b>14'31.105</b>	136.746	8 laps
		9 <b>Antonio CALASSO</b>	ITA	Motociclismo	BMW	<b>12'21.173</b>	137.758	9 laps
		13 <b>Herbert MANDELARTZ</b>	GER	Hakvoort-Klipfel Racing	BMW	<b>6'14.833</b>	136.198	12 laps
		116 <b>Johan STIGEFELT</b>	SWE	VIP	BMW	<b>6'16.178</b>	135.711	12 laps
		45 <b>Dirk BUYLINCKXS</b>	BEL	BMW Belgium/Bavarian Mot	BMW	<b>2'54.125</b>	97.729	14 laps

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### ***Pole Position***

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**Race Director      Timekeeping Responsible**

16:33:15	Dirk BUYLINCKXS
16:33:15	Sebastien LEGRELLE
16:34:09	Sebastien LEGRELLE
16:34:09	Dirk BUYLINCKXS
16:34:27	Dirk BUYLINCKXS
16:39:11	Herbert MANDELARTZ
16:40:16	Johan STIGEFELT
16:45:28	Markus BARTH
16:45:44	Markus BARTH
16:45:46	Antonio CALASSO
16:48:57	Stephane COUTELLE
16:50:24	Roberto PANICHI
16:53:03	Markus BARTH
16:53:19	Tobias NYSTRÖM
16:53:44	Tobias NYSTRÖM
16:57:16	Matthieu LAGRIVE
16:57:28	Matthieu LAGRIVE
16:58:27	Sebastien LEGRELLE
16:59:29	Xavier GRAU
16:59:40	Xavier GRAU

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