



Media Information  
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## **Top-4 lockout for the BMW S 1000 RR racers at the Isle of Man TT and a special honour for BMW rider Peter Hickman.**

- **The BMW riders dominate the Isle of Man TT Superstock race.**
- **Peter Hickman wins the “Joey Dunlop Championship Trophy” for the best overall performance of the Isle of Man race week.**
- **Jordan Szoke fastest man on his BMW S 1000 RR in Canada.**

**Munich. The 2017 Isle of Man Tourist Trophy continued with more success for the BMW S 1000 RR racers: Ian Hutchinson (GBR) led the array of BMW riders in a top-4 lockout in the Superstock race. In the Senior TT, Peter Hickman (GBR) finished second of the podium. The BMW Motorrad Motorsport specialists have been on site on the Isle of Man to support the BMW teams in preparing their RRs. In the Canadian Superbike Championship (CSBK), Jordan Szoke (CAN) was second in a thrilling race in Grand Bend (CAN). In addition, the BMW Motorrad Motorsport racers have been in action in South Africa and Japan at the weekend.**

### **Isle of Man Tourist Trophy.**

After already being victorious in the Superbike race, Tyco BMW rider Ian Hutchinson (GBR) won Wednesday's Superstock race in a dominant manner. In the race, the BMW S 1000 RR riders claimed a top-4 lockout and no fewer than six BMWs crossed the line within the top-10.

Hutchinson took the lead on the opening lap, stayed in front over the entire four lap distance and crossed the line with an advantage of over 22 seconds. It was “Hutchy's” 16<sup>th</sup> TT win and his fifth in a Superstock race, making him the record holder in this category, the most successful Superstock TT rider of all time. Peter Hickman (GBR) and his Smiths Racing team again secured second place as they did with the RR in the Superbike race. Third place on the rostrum went to local hero Dan Kneen. It was a special result for the Manxman as it was the maiden TT podium for



him as well as for Team Penz13.com BMW Motorrad Motorsport. Michael Rutter (GBR / Bathams SMT) completed the top-4 lockout in fourth. David Johnson (AUS / Fleetwood Grab Services BMW) and Jamie Coward (GBR / Radcliffe's Racing) finished the Superstock race in eighth and ninth respectively.

In Friday's Senior TT, Hutchinson was fighting for his third victory of the week but unfortunately crashed on the second lap, suffering a broken femur. We wish "Hutchy" a speedy recovery. The race was red-flagged and re-started over the distance of four laps. Hickman once more claimed second place on the podium – after the Superbike race, the Superstock race and his two 600 cc races, it was his fifth podium of the week earning him the coveted "Joey Dunlop Championship Trophy" for the best overall performance of the race week. Smiths Racing won the trophy awarded to the best team. Rutter finished the Senior TT in fifth place, while Martin Jessopp (GBR / Riders Motorcycles) was ninth.

**Peter Hickman:** "What can I say, it's been an absolutely unbelievable week and five podiums from five races is mega. The first part of the Senior TT was shaping up to be a cracker and Hutchy and I were neck and neck. It was a shame what happened to Hutchy and I wish him well for a speedy recovery. The re-start went perfectly for me, there wasn't as much grip out there due to all the rain we've had but apart from that, the race was mint. The boys did a great job at the pit stop and although Michael Dunlop was that bit stronger than me, we did what we needed to do and got another second place. I came here with no podiums and to leave with five is amazing."

**Dan Kneen:** "All in all it was just a mega TT 2017. We had some issues, but above all we got our first podium. It was not just my first TT podium, it was also the first one for the Penz13.com BMW Motorrad Motorsport team and that made us all smile more than ever before. We had worked hard to get that success but it takes some time to sink in. I simply held the momentum going after the fifth place in Superbike TT, which was my best result on the big bikes till then, and then, in Superstock, we upped the game. The Senior TT was a bit of a mixture of fortunes with having to start twice and not every day is the same. Still I am happy with 12<sup>th</sup> as it is a more than strong result here at home at my island."

Unfortunately, this year's Isle of Man Tourist Trophy was overshadowed by three fatal accidents. Our thoughts are with the families, friends and teams of Alan Bonner,



a member of the BMW racing community, of Jochem van den Hoek and of Davey Lambert.

## **Canadian Superbike Championship in Grand Bend, Canada.**

The second round of the 2017 Canadian Superbike Championship (CSBK) was held in Grand Bend (CAN) at the weekend. Reigning champion Jordan Szoke (CAN) once again secured pole position and the fastest race lap on his Mopar Express Lane BMW Superbike Team BMW S 1000 RR– but his streak of 15 wins in a row since early 2015 ended in an eventful and red-flagged race. Szoke was second, 0.4 seconds behind winner Bodhi Edie (CAN).

Over most of the race distance, there was a three-way battle at the top between Szoke, his fellow BMW rider Ben Young (GBR / Ben Young Racing) and Edie. With three laps to go, Young high-sided and the race was red-flagged with no restart. Edie was classified as the winner and Szoke in second place. Samuel Trépanier (CAN / Blysk Racing) was fourth and Michael Leon (CAN / Royal Distributing Racing Team) sixth.

**Jordan Szoke:** “Of course it is disappointing to have an end to the winning streak but I was the quickest rider this weekend, and we’re still here and we got second place. We were on pole, we led the most laps, and it’s about the championship for us. I want to congratulate Bodhi who ran extremely well. Now we look forward to the next race.”

## **South African Motorcycle Road Racing Championship at the Red Star Raceway, South Africa.**

The fifth round of the 2017 South African Motorcycle Road Racing Championship (RSA SBK) was held at the Red Star Raceway (RSA) at the weekend. Lance Isaacs (RSA / Supabets Sandton BMW Motorrad) was the highest placed BMW rider in the two races, crossing the line in seventh and eighth respectively. David McFadden (RSA / RPM Centre Sandton Auto/BMW Motorrad) finished ninth on both occasions.



## **MFJ Superbike All Japan Road Race Championship in Sugo, Japan.**

The BMW S 1000 RR racers in the MFJ Superbike All Japan Road Race Championship (MFJ) were in action in Motegi (JPN) at the weekend. Yuta Kodama (JPN / Tone RT Syncedge 4113) crossed the line in 22<sup>nd</sup>, while Daisaku Sakai (JPN / BMW Motorrad 39) failed to finish.

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