

XC Eliminator in Dalby Forest

On Friday before the World cup in Dalby Forest (UK) there was held a sprint race in Pickering.

Next year there is also a sprint race World cup. In Dalby Forest was a test race. Every rider has to do a timetrail. The best 32 riders are starting in groups of four in the K.O. system. That means, two riders are qualified, two not.

Because I lost air in the rear tire I qualified with 27th. best time. In the first heat I had not a good start but I could sprint from the 4th to 2nd place. The 2nd heat was without problem. The semi-final was the end for me. So I raced just in the small final. There I finished 2nd what means 6th at the end.

The race was just two days before the World cup but to take part was worth it. The track was nice and there were lots of spectators.

[pics](#)


More results and a race report [here](#)

- 1 Paul Van Der Ploeg (Aus) Felt Oetzal X - Bionic Team
- 2 Thomas Litscher (Swi) Felt Oetzal X - Bionic Team
- 3 Marco Aurelio Fontana (Ita) Cannondale Factory Racing
- 4 Sepp Freiburghaus (Swi) Thoemus Racing Team
- 5 Jochen Kass (Ger) Multivan Merida Biking Team
- 6 Martin Gujan (Swi) Cannondale Factory Racing
- 7 Marco Schätzing (Ger) Team Firebike - Droessiger
- 8 Daniel Federspiel (Aut)

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