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RUNNER UP RESULT FOR MARIO ROMAN AT EXTREME LAGARES 2016

IMPRESSIVE PERFORMANCE FROM MARIO ROMAN DURING THREE-DAY PORTUGUESE RACE

Rockstar Energy Husqvarna Factory Racing's Mario Roman secured a hard fought runner-up result at the 2016 edition of Extreme Lagares Hard Enduro in Portugal.

Competing in the three-day event, Roman got his participation in the race off to a strong start during the Friday evening prologue in downtown Porto. Setting the second fastest time in the city scramble style course, the Spaniard went on to place as runner-up in both the Pro Final and Super Final.

Getting down to business in Saturday's cross-country time trial, the Rockstar Energy Husqvarna rider made light work of the 25-kilometre long course. Topping the time sheets by over 12 seconds from his closest rival Alfredo Gomez, he provisional took control of the race lead.

Earning another strong result in the night race aboard his TE 300, Roman initially increased his advantage before organizers were forced to cancel the times due to unforeseen track marking issues.

With it all to play for in Sunday's two-lap feature race, Mario immediately took control of the race lead. But a couple of mistakes from the Husqvarna rider allowed Gomez to move to the front.

Further errors saw him slip behind during lap one, but regrouping Roman found his rhythm again. Despite gaining time, he was unable to catch back up to Gomez but nevertheless claimed a well-deserved runner-up overall result.

Mario Roman: *"Extreme Lagares is always a tough race but I really enjoyed it this year so to finish second overall is very good. The conditions were really nice and with the mix of an Endurocross style prologue, the night racing and the main event it's a real all round race. I'm happy with how I rode throughout the weekend. I feel like I was strong across all of the individual races, which was important to be. I started well in the main race but then made a little mistake and Alfredo passed me. He pulled away from me towards the end of lap one, I lost concentration a little, but regrouped and caught him back up. Unfortunately, they decided to scrap the times for the night race due to track marking issues. Lots of guys got lost; I did too, but quickly corrected my mistake and didn't lose so much time. If the times for the night race still stood then I would have won the race but I suppose the organizers had to make a decision and I respect that."*

Results - Extreme Lagares Hard Enduro 2016

1. Alfredo Gomez (KTM) 4:46:39.73
- 2. Mario Roman (Husqvarna) 4:48:07.66**
3. Wade Young (Sherco) 5:13:52.12
4. Philipp Scholz (KTM) 5:51:19.70
5. Sergi Leon (Beta) 6:22:24.34



Mario Roman finished second overall at 2016 Extreme Lagares in Portugal



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