

# Team Bahrain fly Kingdom's flag high in Rotax MAX finals in Portugal

Muhammad Wally stars with seventh place in Junior MAX category against the world's best karting talent

● **Team Bahrain's youngest Yousif AlGaith finishes 29th in Micro MAX**

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Team Bahrain flew the Kingdom's flag high in this year's Rotax MAX Challenge (RMC) Grand Finals, held in Portimao, Portugal over the weekend, which gathered together hundreds of the world's best karting drivers.

Headlining an action-packed day of Final races for Team Bahrain were Muhammad Wally and Yousif AlGaith. Wally finished seventh out of 72 drivers in the Junior MAX category and Yousif AlGaith came 29th overall out



Karters in action during the event

of the 36 drivers in the Micro MAX class.

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his highly competitive division where less than a second separated the top 20 drivers. Starting ninth on the grid, he was in the

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thick of things throughout the Final, making up two places to finish seventh best in the world. Claiming the Junior MAX

World Champion crown was Great Britain's Marsh Scott, who was followed home by countryman Hall Ethan, with Kasper Schormans finishing third for The Netherlands.

In the Micro MAX class, AlGaith gave a good account of himself, gaining valuable experience on his way to 29th place out of the 36 finalists.

Portugal's Martin Marques did the host nation proud with his victory, followed by Majus Mazinas from Lithuania in second and Great Britain's Albert Freind in third, rounding out the podium finishers.

Amongst the other Team Bahrain drivers in action this past week, who did not make it into the Grand Finals on Saturday, Khaled Najjar was 68th out of 72 drivers in the Mini MAX category, Najashi Rashdan was 45th

out of 72 drivers in the Senior MAX, and Sulaiman AlKandari came 70th out of 72 drivers in the DD2 class.

BIC Commercial Karting and Team Bahrain manager Hasan Shehabi commented: “Congratulations to Muhammad Wally for his seventh place, making up two positions from ninth to score the best result of the event for our Team. We are proud of what he achieved and the high level he performed throughout the week.

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## Ahmed Al Jahrami excels in Al Ain Show Jumping Championship

● **Ahmed Al Jahrami achieves second and fourth places**

● **Ahmed Akbar Finishes Fifth in the Contest**

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Bahraini athlete Ahmed Al Jahrami achieved positive results in the Al Ain Show Jumping Championship, which was held in the city of Al Ain, the United Arab Emirates (UAE). The event featured wide partic-



Ahmed Al Jahrami celebrates after the event

ipation of athletes representing many countries.

Ahmed Al Jahrami came second and fourth during his

participation in the category which included 130-135cm hurdles. Meanwhile, his compatriot show jumper Ahmed Akbar also participated in the same event, competing in the 115cm-hurdle section. He finished fifth.

Commenting on the results, Ahmed Al Jahrami and Ahmed Akbar thanked HH Shaikh Isa bin Abdullah Al Khalifa, President of Bahrain Royal Equestrian and Endurance Federation (BREEF) for his support and interest in backing Bahraini athletes in abroad competitions, confirming that the positive results represent further motivation to give their best in the upcoming competitions.

## BIC hosts Ebrahim K Kanoo Drag and Drift Nights today



A car in action at BIC

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Bahrain International Circuit (BIC) is offering non-stop excitement today as it hosts the latest edition of the Ebrahim K Kanoo Drag and Drift Nights.

This week's event will only feature the drag activity along the world-class quarter-mile strip at “The Home of Motorsport in the Middle East”. Due to logistical constraints, there will be no drifting for this event.

Speed enthusiasts and adrenaline junkies will have the opportunity to take their very own cars or motorbikes and push them to their limits down the state-of-the-art drag strip.

Tuesday's Ebrahim K Kanoo Drag and Drift Nights takes place from 6pm until 11pm. Registration for participants can be done on site from 5pm.

The drag racing can be enjoyed at a cost of BD8. Those who would like to experience the drag activity as a passenger can get into a participant's car for an additional BD4.500.

Spectators can purchase tickets online at BIC's official



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website bahraingp.com for BD2 apiece to watch all the action. Tickets for children aged 12 and below are BD1 each.

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Fans will have a chance to get a taste of pure speed as they are taken from zero to 100kph in just one second while seated in a Top Dragster. The Dragster Experience is available at BD44 for the first passenger while the second passenger can get 50 per cent off.

For more information, visit bahraingp.com or call the BIC Hotline on +973-17-450000.

## Silver lining for Taylor-Brown in Abu Dhabi

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Bahrain Victorious 13 athletes were out in full force at the World Triathlon Championship Series Grand Final in Abu Dhabi, with Georgia Taylor-Brown scoring silver overall and the rest of the team making strong finishes.

The Olympic silver and gold medallist and 2020 world champion from Great Britain raced shoulder-to-shoulder with Flora Duffy, with whom she was in a dead heat for the top spot in the world rankings and the world title. After emerging from the 1.5-kilometre swim in 5th place, she stayed in the lead group on the 40-kilometre bike ride steering clear of bike crashes behind them whittling down the podium contenders to the three athletes who would eventually be on it. The 10-kilometre run decided not only who would win the race but also the series, with Taylor-Brown crossing the finish line one minute down to earn the runner-up position.



Georgia Taylor-Brown in action

She said post-race, “It's just been a hard few months personally and I've just tried to put everything in a box and forget about it all and concentrate on the race. I'm really proud of myself for putting myself out there today and just emptying everything and doing what I could... We were just battling

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it out to the end and I wouldn't have it any other way and I don't think she would.”

Cassandre Beaugrand finished in 10th for a year-end rank of 5th in the world.

In the men's race, Vincent Luis took 7th place on the day after logging the second-fastest swim and riding strong in the lead pack. This takes him up two spots to the #5 world ranking.