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## ENDURO ASSOLUTI D'ITALIA 2023 SANT'ANGELO IN VADO (PU)





Over the weekend just passed, the Assoluti d'Italia Enduro Championships made a stop in Sant'Angelo in Vado (PU), in the Marche; running the 7th and 8th round of the season, the next-to-last round of the year 2023.

It was a particularly challenging round due to both the extremely hot summer temperatures and the technical and tricky race track set up by Motoclub Benelli and Track Inspector Mario Rinald. A total of 50 km of track with three special stages, to be repeated 4 times on Saturday and 3 times on Sunday in the following order: Enduro Test of 6 km in the woods, characterised by hard and stony ground; Cross Test in a field of 6 km with hard and dusty ground; Extreme Test as technical and insidious as spectacular with a length of 1 km, characterised by challenging uphill and downhill climbs and several technical barriers.

Positive days for Steve Holcombe, who ruled the Sant'Angelo in Vado round, winning both days of competition in both the Absolute and Foreigner classes. On the first day of the race the English rider registered excellent times in the special Enduro Test and Extreme Test, suffered in the Cross Test and made only one mistake, on the third passage of the Extreme Test. On the following race day Steve Holcombe made a strong start and also set some excellent times in the Cross Test and won the Overall and Foreigner classes, putting more than ten seconds between himself and his rivals.

Of note was also the good performance of Alberto Elgari rider of Team Fossati Racing, who ended in second position both days in the 125 Category.

Brad Freeman, unfortunately still recovering, was unable to take part in the race, but will certainly return on the Portuguese double weekend that will conclude the 2023 World Enduro Championship season.

**STEVE HOLCOMBE:**

Another good race weekend, in the Absolute class there are many top riders fighting for the top positions also at the enduro world championship and even here at the Absolute it is difficult to win race days. At Sant'Angelo in Vado the temperatures were high for the entire race weekend but the result was very satisfying.

The Italian Enduro Assoluti d'Italia now take a break and will return on 9th and 10th September with the last round of the 2023 season.

