Monaco, Race 2: Maloney, Hadjar and David make R-ace GP absolute success

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From pole, it is the **Zane Maloney** to bring **Barbados** to the top of the podium at the **Formula Regional Grand Prix of Monaco**. The R-ace driver passes the chequered flag in front of teammates **Isack Hadjar** and **Hadrien David**, for a one-team podium in Race 2 in Monaco.

With **three launched restarts**, Maloney had to be very concentrated each time to keep his first position. In fact, one big accident (all drivers being finally physically ok) in the very first moments of the race after the start at the **Beau Rivage** has involved many drivers, of which **Nicola Marinangeli (actually flipping over with his car after being hit from behind) Dino Beganovic, Gregoire Saucy, Tommy Smith and Brad Benavides ended their race. The other two stops have seen Emidio Pesce** (involved in the first accident, but able to continue his race after changing the front wing when the race was stopped) losing control and damaging his car at the Casino, while later Paul Aron makes a mistake and hits the barriers at the Beau Rivage, requiring both times the entry of the **Alpine A110 Safety Car.**

Behind the 3 R-ace GP drivers we find in the points Alex Quinn, Patrick Pasma, David Vidales, Tomas Ten Brinke, Mari Noya, Andrea Rosso and Gabriele Minì.

Maloney: "Huge happiness to win here in Monaco, I am sure all Barbados will be cheering, and hope this will bring other young drivers from my country close to motorsport. Not easy to keep

Isack behind, and at every restart, after safety car, I was thinking how to do it better and what to improve. Finally, all went well and I hope to continue in this direction growing race after race."

Hadjar: "In the first laps I could not really get close to Zane, but after I was definitely faster. This happened also after the two safety cars, so I guess the restarts ruined a little bit my race. But in the end, Zane was strong, and even if I had a greater pace I don't think I could have overtaken him, maybe simply make more pressure on him. Still, I feel here in Monaco I was definitely the fastest (Hadjar has the fastest lap of the race). Paul Ricard is my home track, I know it well and expect to have good results."

David: "It is of course a great sensation to be on the podium in Monaco, but I am not really satisfied. The racing weekend started well with the best lap time in FP, but some mistakes in QP have compromised my weekend, as from P4 and P3 I could not do more. I needed the championship points, and sincerely I did not push to the maximum as I knew I could not overtake Isack anyway."

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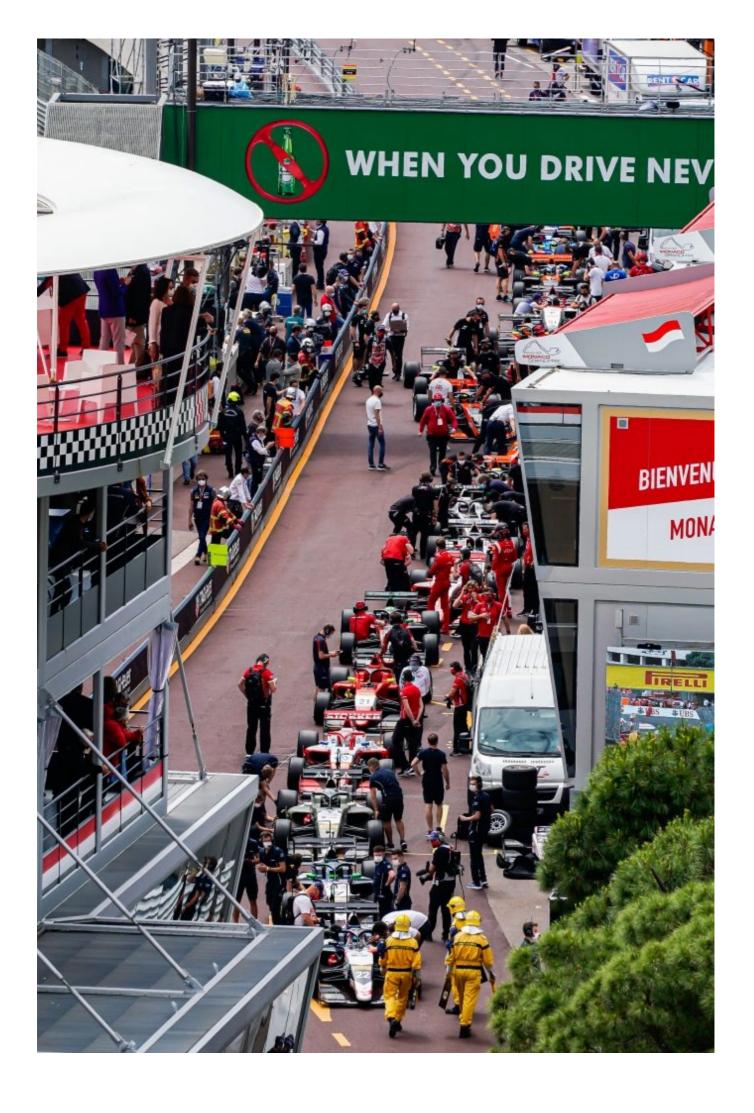
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Monaco, Race 2 report

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The **Formula Regional European Championship by Alpine Monaco Grand Prix** ends with a total **R-ace GP podium**, headed by the winner of Race 2, the driver from Barbados Zane **Maloney**, followed by who has been probably the fastest Formula Regional by Alpine driver at the Principality this weekend, Isack **Hadjar**, while third has been Hadrien **David**, great in FP, but not taking advantage of his speed in QP, and so obliged to confirm his starting position in Race 2, third, just as he did in Race 1, fourth.



With 10 minutes delay due to a spectacular crash in the race of the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup, Race 2 starts under a sunny and cloudy sky, wind, and totally dry track. On pole Zane Maloney, the fastest in the QP between group A and B, and so deserving the first position on the grid of what is considered the most exclusive race of the two, the Sunday race, anticipating the F1 Grand Prix. Behind him the winner of Race 1, the amazing Rookie Isack Hadjar, followed by the third Race GP driver, Hadrien David, in the second row together with the first non R-ace GP competitor, **Paul Aron (Prema Powerteam).**

Monaco – Race 2 starting grid



At the **start** Maloney is quick, but Hadjar is even more quick. "My best ever start I think", has commented the French driver after the race, "but the distance before the Saint Devote is so short that there was no chance to overtake". But there is really no time to race since a big accident (with no driver injured seriously thanks to the F3 safety standards of the Formula Alpine) occurs immediately after the Saint Devote with the group reaching up towards the Beau Rivage. **Nicola Marinangeli** (going upside down with his car after being hit from behind), **Dino Beganovic, Gregoire Saucy, Tommy Smith and Brad Benavides** are involved in an accident and their race, unfortunately, ends before even warming up the tires. The track is blocked by the cars and the race is stopped with **Red Flag**. All cars enter and stop in the pit lane, many of them fixing broken front wings and appendixes.



Green flag and the race in on again with a **launched restart behind the safety car.** Positions do not really change and Maloney keeps the lead. A few laps later it is Emidio Pesce (DR Formula), who miraculously did not damage irreversibly his car in the first accident, concludes the race losing control and hitting the barriers at the Casino. **Safety car is back on track** and once more the group is compacted, with **Maloney** having to redo it all again. "At every restart, I simply thought about what I could do better than the previous launched start. Luckily it all worked fine", commented the driver from Barbados after the race.

And again the restart does not change the positions, with Maloney, Hadjar, David, Aron, Patrick Pasma (KIC Motorsport) and Alex Quinn (Arden).

More laps and **Paul Aron makes a mistake hitting the barriers going wide after the Sainte Devote**. His race ends and the **safety car is once more on track.** Again Maloney has a good start and the classification does not change, with **Hadjar** each time losing some distance and then regaining it back to be very close to the leader of the race, but never in condition to attach him. "After every restart, I lost some distance from Zane, but soon gained it back after a couple of laps. I was never in condition to try and overtake, but maybe without the safety car entering so many times I could have put more pressure on my teammate", comments the French driver at the end of the race.

Finally, positions are unchanged, and Maloney wins in front of Hadjar, David, Quinn, Pasma, David Vidales (Prema Powerteam), Thomas Ten Brinke (ART Grand Prix), Mari Boya (Van Amersfoort Racing), Andrea Rosso (FA Racing) and Gabriele Minì (ART Grand Prix).

Among the Rookies Hadjar is first, followed by Ten Brinke and Boya.

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The podium celebration has seen today also present Luca De Meo, CEO of Renault S.A., Chairman of Renault s.a.s and CEO of Renault Brand.

The **general standings** after Monaco still see Grégoire Saucy lead with 85 points, followed by Paul Aron (72), Isack Hadjar (70), Alex Quinn (68), Zane Maloney (62), Hadrien David (54) and David Vidales (45).

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2021 Formula Regional by Alpine – Rd 03 – MONACO – Rookies standing

2021 Formula Regional by Alpine – Rd 03 – MONACO – Teams standing

With more than **30.000 viewers simultaneously during the live streaming** on **Youtube** and **Facebook** for Race 2 in Monaco, and overall around **half a million views** of QP and races this weekend, the Formula Regional European Championship by Alpine is confirming in a net way its position as point of reference and only FIA certified series between F4 and F3, in the ladder from karting to F1.

The next meeting will take place this coming weekend on the **F1 circuit of Paul Ricard at Le Castellet.**

Live streaming of the two races will be visible once more on the official **Youtube** and **Facebook** channels of the series, which are also reachable from the official website: formularegionaleubyalpine.com

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