

Javier Del Amor signs to ride BMW S 1000 RR in the Spanish Championship

Catalan rider Javier Del Amor has signed to ride the BMW S 1000 RR in a bid to retain the Spanish Stock Extreme championship for the Motorrad Competición Team in 2011.



Having successfully won the 2010 Spanish championship for the Motorrad Competición Team in the Stock Extreme class, former rider Javier Forés is leaving this hotly-contested series to try his luck in the 2011 Moto2 Championship that supports the MotoGP World Championship.

The signing of Javier Del Amor for the upcoming season gives the team arguably the best opportunity to retain the 2011 CEV Buckler Spanish Speed Championship. The Catalan racer finished third in the 2010 season on a Ducati, with one victory and three second places achieved in the seven-race series.

Now switching to defend the colours of Motorrad in the Stock Extreme Championship in 2011, Del Amor will be experiencing the BMW S 1000 for the first time in this elite national series. In fact, his first contact with the RR came the day after the final round of the 2010 championship in Jerez in the third weekend of November, where the Catalan was able to experience the awesome power of his new #34 BMW S 1000 RR with the team and Michelin technicians.

The good relationship between Forés and Del Amor was in evidence throughout 2010, but even more so at the end of the season finale, because after a nice battle on the track and after taking the victory in Jerez, Forés handed over his BMW to Del Amor,



and wished him the best of luck for 2011. Del Amor has also tested the bike with the Motorrad Competición Team at the Almeria circuit in southern Spain to continue his familiarisation with the RR.

Commenting on the exciting opportunity that lies in front of him, Javier Del Amor said: "I'm very happy to be with Motorrad next season, this year the team have shown the great potential they have with the bike and tyre combination. The first impressions I have had with the S 1000 RR are very positive indeed – it really suits my riding style and goes round corners faster than I had ever imagined. I'm really looking forwards to starting working at 100% with the whole team, BMW and Michelin, so that we can confidently fight for the title this season."



This was a view shared by Manuel Alonso, Manager of the Motorrad Competición Team, who said: "Del Amor is for us the best rider in the Stock Extreme category for 2011. The previous test with the bike was very positive, both for him and for the team, and we are sure he will be up there fighting again for the victory in all the races in 2011. Del Amor is a professional rider with many years of experience, so we are sure that we will be a better team with him. We have also the support of Michelin and BMW Motorrad Espana for 2011, so this puts us in a great position to fight for – and hopefully retain – our title in the Spanish Championship."

The first round of 2011 championship series kicks off in Jerez on April 17, where BMW Motorrad achieved its last victory, and where Javier del Amor began his pre-season tests.

More information on the forthcoming series and the BMW team can be found at www.motorradcompeticion.com and www.cevbuckler.com