## **Report about the Austrian Nationals 2017**

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The 4<sup>th</sup> round of the Austrian Nationals and the 1<sup>st</sup> run ever on astro turf was held at ERT-Steyregg on 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> of September 2017.

The weather predictions were not the best, so we decided to drive 3 qualification runs on Saturday. The track at ERT-Steyregg is an astro turf course, which has fast and also technical passages.

On Saturday after 3 runs with my 4WD PR SW401 LW powered by Hobbywing, I could qualify in Amain as 7<sup>th</sup>. With my 2WD Team Associated B6, also powered by Hobbywing, it was possible for me to also qualify in A-main as 3<sup>rd</sup>.

The weather remained dry on Sunday morning and we could continue with the competition.

The finals were awesome! I pushed hard and stayed clean when it was required - according to Stefan Pfeifhofer RC.

**2WD A-main:** I could finish as  $3^{rd}$ .  $2^{nd}$  became Philipp Märzinger  $2^{nd}$  (great job Märzi) and Hupo Hönigl became  $1^{st}$ .

**4WD A-main:** Sadly I only finished **10<sup>th</sup>**. It was really difficult to compete against the Xray XB4 and Team Associated B64 cars, but we are still working to make our car better and better!

In both classes I was awarded **best youngster**.

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