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Aragon MotoGP: Marc Marquez wins Fifth Valentino to twenty days from fratura leg

MIRACLE Valentino Rossi fifth to Aragon

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GDN - Marc Marquez 16-point lead at the top of the world championship standings by winning the Aragon MotoGP.
Victory took the Spanish Honda rider to 224 points and moved him clear of Andrea Dovizioso, who was sixth.
Dani Pedrosa finished second and Jorge Lorenzo, who led the race, was third.

Nine-time champion Valentino Rossi, who suffered a double leg fracture only three weeks ago, finished fifth on his Yamaha.
The Italian was second behind three-time champion Lorenzo for part of the race before Marquez, Pedrosa and Maverick Vinales moved ahead of him.
"It was really difficult," said Marquez, who began fifth on the grid.
"I was riding smoother, although the feeling in the last part of the race wasn't a good one."

Marc Marquez says to our microphones
“I“™m very very happy with this victory because it was a tough race. Yesterday I wasn“™t feeling totally comfortable with the bike, and today I was struggling again except in the warm-up; I don“™t really know why. Anyway, racing at one of my favourite tracks, close to my home and in front of my fans, gave me extra motivation. I pushed hard and in some corners I just clicked the off-button in my head, even if I crashed twice yesterday.
“I saw that Viñales and Dovi were struggling a bit and knew it was the moment to push, so I did. There were a few scary moments, once when I was trying to overtake Valentino; he was tighter in that corner than I was expecting, and to avoid a clash I released the brakes,

only to realize that Lorenzo was right there! So I went off the track, and at that moment I cooled down a bit, even if I continued to try and close the gap.“
And with that done and a chance to make a break at the front, he took his opportunity - even if he did admit afterwards that he“™s well aware just how close to the edge he had rode in the battle.
“Once I passed Lorenzo, I had to keep going as I saw that Dani was coming very fast. Anyway, that“™s the Marquez style! Of course it“™s important to think of the championship, but the situation now requires that we give it everything. So we“™ll try to continue with the same motivation and mentality race by race, giving our 100 per cent.“

Great Valentino Rossi fifth at the finish line
“I think we did a great job after sustaining the injury. I have to thank all the people that helped me, starting with the doctor that did the surgery. After that I worked very hard every day with my trainer and the leg is becoming better every day. Sincerely, on the bike I feel some pain, but I can ride quite comfortably, so I“˜m very happy. It“˜s very important to start from the front row and now we have to understand the pace and also if I“˜m able to push until the end, but anyway I“˜m happy.“

Aragon GP results
1. Marc Marquez (Spa/Honda) 42 minutes 06.816 seconds
2. Dani Pedrosa (Spa/Honda) 42:07.695
3. Jorge Lorenzo (Spa/Ducati) 42:08.844
4. Maverick Vinales (Spa/Yamaha) 42:12.072
5. Valentino Rossi (Ita/Yamaha) 42:12.698
6. Aleix Espargaro (Spa/Aprilia) 42:13.778
7. Andrea Dovizioso (Ita/Ducati) 42:14.271
8. Alvaro Bautista (Spa/Ducati) 42:14.726
9. Johann Zarco (Fra/Yamaha) 42:19.818

10. Pol Espargaro (Spa/KTM) 42:20.891
Standings
1. Marc Marquez (Spa/Honda) 224 points
2. Andrea Dovizioso (Ita/Ducati) 208
3. Maverick Vinales (Spa/Yamaha) 196
4. Dani Pedrosa (Spa/Honda) 170
5. Valentino Rossi (Ita/Yamaha) 168
6. Johann Zarco (Fra/Yamaha) 117
7. Jorge Lorenzo (Spa/Ducati) 106
8. Danilo Petrucci (Ita/Ducati) 95

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