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ADAC GT Masters, race 8, Nürburgring/Germany

Three Porsche 911 GT3 R in the top ten

**Stuttgart.** Porsche customer teams put in a spirited effort at the Nürburgring: Three ca. 500 hp Porsche 911 GT3 R managed to take home points from Sunday's ADAC GT Masters race. Porsche Young Professional Mathieu Jaminet and Robert Renauer scored the best result with the fifth place of the customer sport racer at the Eifel circuit. The Precote Herberth Motorsport drivers rank third in the driver's classification after eight of 14 races. Finishing on sixth place, Klaus Bachler and Adrien de Leener earned their first points in the championship. Their teammates Timo Bernhard and Kévin Estre took the flag in eighth place for KÜS Team75 Bernhard.

Starting from the eleventh grid spot, Porsche Young Professional Jaminet (France) snatched three places after the start. After 19 laps, the Precote Herberth Motorsport driver handed the car off to his teammate Renauer. The German then brought the car home in fifth on the 3.629-kilometre sprint track, and thus earned important points towards the championship. "After experiencing minor problems in the qualifying, the race went well. The pace of the 911 GT3 R was very good, I pushed and overtook several cars. With this result we have narrowed the points' gap and are still in the championship game," said Jaminet.

At the wheel of the second-best 911 GT3 R, Klaus Bachler from Austria and Adrien de

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Leener (Belgium) also delivered a flawless performance. Driving for KÜS Team75

Bernhard, they took up the race from ninth on the grid, after Bachler posted the best

starting position of the season during qualifying. While running third in the race, the

former Porsche Junior handed the 911 GT3 R to his teammate de Leener after 21 laps.

"This result feels like a victory, especially after becoming entangled in an accident

caused by another competitor on Saturday. The qualifying session went well, and the

911 GT3 R was fast over the entire weekend. We made the most out of today,"

explained Bachler.

After scoring sixth the previous day, Porsche works driver Bernhard from Germany and

the Frenchman Estre again yielded points from Sunday's race. Le Mans winner Estre

took up the race from 16th on the grid and managed to work his way up the field. After

20 laps, the two-time world endurance champion Bernhard took over driving duties and

proceeded to put his rivals under pressure to the flag. Over the course of the race, the

KÜS Team75 Bernhard drivers made up eight positions. "We had a good start, but

another car behind me kept driving into my bumper. At one point I left the track. Thanks

to our strategy we managed to make up some places. The entire crew worked hard,"

said Estre.

The newcomer team IronForce by Ring Police headed into round two on the Nür-

burgring from the 23rd grid spot. After Lucas Luhr from Germany overtook two cars in

the first lap, his initial charge was hampered when he was sent into a spin by another

competitor. After another collision, Luhr and his teammate Jan-Erik Slooten (Germany)

finished on P26. The team received support from the TV presenter and cult YouTuber

Jean Pierre ("JP") Kraemer. "Unfortunately another car nudged us into a spin early in

the race, and that's why we had to start over. After handing the car off to Jan, he drove

a great stint until someone hit him from behind. I'm sorry for the fans that we weren't

able to finish further up the field because of these incidents," explained Luhr.

"The Porsche customer teams raced well at the Nürburgring. Compared to round one

on Saturday, we were able to improve. IronForce by Ring Police had the misfortune of

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being caught up in a collision twice. Their speed was good and they would have finished further up the field. Precote Herberth Motorsport and KÜS Team75 Bernhard performed very well. The pace during the race was really good, but we noticed that there is room for improvement, especially in the qualifying. But we're still in the race for the championship!" said Marc Lieb, Head of Customer Racing.

Zandvoort in the Netherlands hosts the fifth race weekend of the ADAC GT Masters from 17 to 19 August. The circuit on the coast of North Holland is the venue for rounds nine and ten of the race series. Four Porsche 911 GT3 R racers pit themselves against well-known competitors in the "super sports car league". In the series held in four countries, Porsche goes up against Audi, BMW, Corvette, Ferrari, Honda, Lamborghini and Mercedes-AMG.

## Nürburgring, result race 8 of 14

- 1. Salaquarda/Stippler (CZ/D), Audi R8 LMS
- 2. Pommer/Götz (D/D), Mercedes-AMG GT3
- 3. Ortmann/Winkelhock (D/D), Audi R8 LMS
- 5. Jaminet/Renauer (F/D), Porsche 911 GT3 R
- 6. Bachler/de Leener (A/B), Porsche 911 GT3 R
- 8. Bernhard/Estre (D/F), Porsche 911 GT3 R
- 26. Luhr/Slooten (D/D), Porsche 911 GT3 R

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