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Porsche Carrera Cup Deutschland, Race 15, Hockenheimring

Championship decided on Sunday: Schmidt wins ahead of Müller

Stuttgart. The Porsche Carrera Cup Deutschland championship remains gripping until the very last race. Jeffrey Schmidt (Team Lechner Huber Racing) from Switzerland won the action-packed round 15 on the Hockenheimring Baden-Württemberg circuit with Porsche junior Sven Müller (D/Konrad Motorsport) and Christian Engelhart (D/MRS GT-Racing) occupying the second and third podium steps. With this, the championship goes down to the wire at the last race on Sunday, with Müller holding a 14-point advantage over his closest pursuer Engelhart. “My race went perfectly. I managed to win the Hockenheim round at the beginning of the season, so I tackled this race feeling quite confident and I didn’t make any mistakes,” said Schmidt with obvious pleasure.

From the first to the last lap, fans were treated to some gripping racing on Saturday. Müller lined up on pole with his arch rival Engelhart next to him on the first grid row. The series’ leader made a poor start allowing Engelhart to snatch the lead in the first few metres. Schmidt, who had started from third on the grid, got the last laugh and swept into first place in the Spitzkehre hairpin. In the meantime a turbulent scene played out behind them: Australian Nick Foster (Konrad Motorsport) was involved in a spin, Marek Böckmann (D/KÜS Team75 Bernhard) and Wolf Nathan (NL/Team Huber Lechner Racing) collided and the race was red-flagged. It took more than ten minutes to clean up the circuit with the race finally restarting behind the safety car.

Spearheading the 23-strong field, Schmidt held on to his lead over the remaining 15 minutes to take the flag as the winner. Müller trimmed the gap to him to 0.4 seconds and managed to extend his lead over Engelhart by two championship points. “Unfortunately due to the red flag, the race ran over only twelve laps. With an eye on the title, I wasn’t prepared to risk too much and I’m pleased with the points. I would like to bring home the title on Sunday,” explained Müller. Finishing third and just 14 points down on Müller in the overall standings, Engelhart remains in contention for the championship crown. “Sven and I had a great fight over the first few laps. Unfortunately I lost two positions because of it. From fourth I managed to make up one place with an overtaking manoeuvre. It’ll be hard to win the championship title in the last race, but I believe I have a chance,” said Engelhart.

Nicholas Yelloly (GB/Rookie Team Deutsche Post by Project 1) finished in fourth place in front of Porsche junior Matteo Cairoli (I/KÜS Team75 Bernhard). Cairoli was satisfied with his performance: “The team put a good car on the track for me today. Over the longer race distance on Sunday I aim to push harder.” The Swedish guest driver Philip Morin (S/Team Lechner Huber Racing) took the flag in sixth, with Porsche junior Dennis Olsen (N/Team Lechner Huber Racing) securing seventh place. “That was an exciting race. I narrowly avoided getting caught up in the collision by just a few centimetres. After the restart I was faster than the cars in front of me, but I couldn’t get past. My squad Lechner Huber Racing is currently leading the team classification and my aim is to win this title at the final race,” said Olsen. Flagged off behind him in eighth place was David Kolkmann (D/Rookie Team Deutsche Post by Project 1).

In the overall standings after 15 of 16 races, Müller ranks first with 257 points and holds a record number of ten victories. Engelhart lies in second place with 243 points. Olsen is third with 210 points and has already claimed the title as the best rookie. Hockenheim winner Schmidt occupies position four in the standings with 192 points. In the B-classification, Wolfgang Triller (D/Team Huber Lechner Racing) has also taken home the laurels. In the fight for the championship crown as the best

team, Lechner Huber Racing (403 points) pushed past Konrad Motorsport (396 points) on Saturday.

As a prominent guest start, Richy Müller (D/Rookie Team Deutsche Post by Project 1) joined the action. The actor and Porsche ambassador took the flag in the B-category in seventh place. YouTuber Danny Jesden took a look behind the scenes in Hockenheim. Luca Rettenbacher (A/Konrad Motorsport) showed him his 460 hp Porsche 911 GT3 Cup and talked shop with the Hanoverian.

Result race 15:

1. Jeffrey Schmidt (CH/Team Lechner Huber Racing)
2. Sven Müller (D/Konrad Motorsport)
3. Christian Engelhart (D/MRS GT-Racing)
4. Nicholas Yelloly (GB/Rookie Team Deutsche Post by Project 1)
5. Matteo Cairoli (I/KÜS Team75 Bernhard)
6. Philip Morin (S/Team Lechner Huber Racing)
7. Dennis Olsen (N/Team Lechner Huber Racing)
8. David Kolkmann (D/Rookie Team Deutsche Post by Project 1)
9. Luca Rettenbacher (A/Konrad Motorsport)
10. Robin Hansson (S/Fragus BR Motorsport)
11. Henric Skoog (S/PFI Racing)
12. Wolfgang Triller (D/Team Huber Lechner Racing)
13. Lars-Bertil Rantzow (S/Mtech Competition)
14. Pontus Fredricsson (S/Fragus BR Motorsport)
15. Mats Karlsson (S/Cirkus Karlsson Racing)
16. Patrick Skoog (S/PFI Racing)
17. Magnus Öhman (S/Mtech Competition)
18. Philipp Sager (A/Konrad Motorsport)
19. Richy Müller (D/Rookie Team Deutsche Post by Project 1)
20. Siegfried Venema (D/MRS GT-Racing)

DNF:

Marek Böckmann (D/KÜS Team75 Bernhard)

Wolf Nathan (NL/Team Huber Lechner Racing)

Not classified:

Nick Foster (AUS/Konrad Motorsport)

Points' standings after 15 of 16 races:

Driver classification

1. Sven Müller (D/Konrad Motorsport), 257 points
2. Christian Engelhart (D/MRS GT-Racing), 243 points
3. Dennis Olsen (N/Team Lechner Huber Racing), 210 points

Rookie classification

1. Dennis Olsen (N/Team Lechner Huber Racing), 210 points
2. Luca Rettenbacher (A/Konrad Motorsport), 144 points
3. Nicholas Yelloly (GB/Rookie Team Deutsche Post by Project 1), 143 points

Amateur classification

1. Wolfgang Triller (D/Team Huber Lechner Racing), 290 points
2. Wolf Nathan (NL/Team Huber Lechner Racing), 216 points
3. Ricardo Flores Ramirez (PE/MRS GT-Racing), 156 points

Team classification

1. Team Lechner Huber Racing, 403 points
2. Konrad Motorsport, 396 points
3. MRS GT-Racing, 316 points

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