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Porsche Carrera Cup Deutschland, Round 1, Le Mans/France

Larry ten Voorde wins the Carrera Cup race at Le Mans

Stuttgart. Larry ten Voorde (Nebulus Racing by Huber) has fulfilled a dream in the Porsche Carrera Cup Le Mans: The Dutchman won the joint race of the Porsche Carrera Cup Deutschland and the Porsche Carrera Cup France on the storied Circuit des 24 Heures du Mans. “A win at Le Mans! I’m ecstatic. During the race, I managed to come out on top after several duels and, ultimately, that proved to be decisive,” said ten Voorde. The 53-strong field provided a spectacular show at the event run as support to the 24 Hours of Le Mans on Saturday.

After Florian Latorre (France/CLRT) posted pole position on Friday in sunny conditions, rain showers shortly before the start of the race led to a wet track and challenging conditions. Guest driver Loek Hartog (Bas Koeten Racing) coped best with the circumstances initially: The Dutchman made the most out of the rolling start with his 485 hp Porsche 911 GT3 Cup and promptly overtook polesitter Latorre and ten Voorde. Over the course of the race, Hartog and ten Voorde fought wheel-to-wheel for victory. The Huber driver made several attempts to overtake the frontrunner, passed ten Voorde in lap six and held the lead to the flag.

Two safety car phases during the 45-minute race caused the large field of competitors to bunch together. The consequence of this was gripping slipstream duels and many overtaking manoeuvres. Leon Köhler tackled the race from the sixth grid spot and made up four positions. “It feels amazing to finish on the podium alongside the FIA WEC. Shortly before the flag I was following close on Larry ten Voorde’s bumper. However, I didn’t want to risk anything given the tricky weather conditions,” said Köh-

ler. Third in the Porsche Carrera Cup Deutschland went to Laurin Heinrich (T3/HRT Motorsport). The rookie crossed the finish line in sixth overall. “My first podium in the Carrera Cup – at Le Mans of all places! That’s incredible. With so much water on the track, the first laps were particularly difficult,” explained Heinrich.

Julian Hanses (Förch Racing) concluded the German one-make cup on fourth place ahead of Italy’s Diego Bertonelli (Fach Auto Tech). In the overall classification of the Porsche Carrera Cup Le Mans, this translated to positions eleven and twelve. Bertonelli’s Australian teammate Joey Mawson secured sixth place (14th overall) on the 13.626-kilometre racetrack in the north-west of France. Carlos Rivas (Luxembourg/Black Falcon Team Textar) won the ProAm class in the German Carrera Cup.

“We witnessed an action-packed and gripping race right up to the final corner. This is exactly the level of competition that the Porsche one-make cups are known for. It was impressive seeing more than 50 Cup cars provide great motor racing on the historic Le Mans circuit,” said Hurui Issak, Project Manager of the Porsche Carrera Cup Deutschland.

Porsche AG also fielded two vehicles. Michael Fassbender drove the No. 919 Porsche 911 GT3 Cup. The German-Irish actor and film producer finished in position 38. Max van Splunteren, the rookie champion of the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup, achieved 19th overall in the VIP vehicle of the international one-make cup.

The season continues for the Porsche Carrera Cup Deutschland as support to the ADAC GT Masters. From 2 to 4 October, races two, three and four of the German one-make cup series will be contested on the Sachsenring west of Chemnitz.

Race result round 1, Porsche Carrera Cup Deutschland

1. Larry ten Voorde (Netherlands/Nebulus Racing by Huber)
2. Leon Köhler (Germany/T3/HRT Motorsport)
3. Laurin Heinrich (Germany/T3/HRT Motorsport)

4. Julian Hanses (Germany/Förch Racing)
5. Diego Bertonelli (Italy/Fach Auto Tech)
6. Joey Mawson (Australia/Fach Auto Tech)
7. Dylan Pereira (Luxembourg/Förch Racing)
8. Daan van Kuijk (Netherlands/GP Elite)
9. Kay van Berlo (Netherlands/Nebulus Racing by Huber)
10. Rudy van Buren (Netherlands/CarTech Motorsport by Nigrin)

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