

Victory for António Félix da Costa and double podium for Porsche in Shanghai

26/05/2024 Victory and double podium for Porsche: António Félix da Costa notched up his second win of the season on day two of Formula E's debut in Shanghai on Sunday. A fortnight ago, the works driver from Portugal won Porsche's home race in Berlin – in both events he led the field for most of the race.

Race 12

Norman Nato from the Andretti Formula E customer team rounded off the strong performance of the efficient Porsche 99X Electric in the major Chinese metropolis, with the Frenchman claiming a podium for the first time this season. He clinched third place after swapping for the leadseveral times with da Costa. Thanks to today'steam effort, Porsche defended its position at the top of the manufacturers' championship. The Porsche 99X Electric has won five races so far – more than any other vehicle in the field.

Bad luck for Pascal Wehrlein, who was forced to pit during the race with a puncture after being shunted by a rival. The current runner-up in the world championship wrapped up the race in 20th and missed out on earning points. In eleventh place, Jake Dennis, the defending world champion from the Andretti Formula E customer team, also went home empty-handed.

Post-by-post coverage of the race can be found on the X channel @PorscheFormulaE.

Comments on the Shanghai E-Prix, Race 12

Florian Modlinger, Director Factory Motorsport Formula E: "Dominant package, strong performance – that's the conclusion of our weekend in Shanghai. António brought home a sensational victory – just fantastic. I'm thrilled for him. Including Misano, it was his third on-track win this season. I'm sorry for Pascal, who didn't collect any points today. Yesterday he scored a commendable second, today he promptly swept into the top ten after starting from P13 only to sustain a puncture after being hit by another competitor. Aside from the victory and the all-important points, we saw great teamwork in Shanghai. The way Pascal and António supported each other in Saturday's race was exactly the spirit we encourage. Congratulations as well to our customer team Andretti Formula E and Norman Nato, who rounded off the successful Shanghai weekend for Porsche with his best result of the season so far. Thanks to his performance, we've pulled even further ahead at the top of the manufacturers' standings."

António Félix da Costa, Porsche works driver (#13): "Two wins in the last three races – what an incredible team performance! After winning our home race in Berlin, victory in Shanghai is an indescribable feeling. I'm absolutely delighted and I want to thank everyone who believed in me and supported me even in tough times. My qualifying was strong today and my car was brilliant in the race from start to finish. Our strategy worked perfectly. We'll take this momentum into the last four races of the season."

Pascal Wehrlein, Porsche works driver (#94): "The car's balance wasn't great in practice and qualifying. The grip wasn't right either. After qualifying we found the problem and fixed it in time for the race – it was caused by the incident yesterday. I then succeeded in making up a few positions in the race before someone hit the rear of my car and caused a puncture. I had to call it quits after that."

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ABB FIA Formula E World Championship – standings after 12 of 16 races

Drivers' classification

1. Nick Cassidy (NZL), 167 points

2. Pascal Wehrlein (GER), 142 points
5. Jake Dennis (GBR), 113 points
7. António Félix da Costa (POR), 84 points
11. Norman Nato (FRA), 40 points

Teams' classification
1. Jaguar TCS Racing, 299 points
2. TAG Heuer Porsche Formula E Team, 226 points
5. Andretti Formula E, 153 points

Manufacturers' Trophy
1. Porsche, 337 points
2. Jaguar, 328 points
3. Nissan, 236 points

The official points' standings can be found on the Formula E website.

Next up

The next outing for the TAG Heuer Porsche Formula E Team and Andretti Formula E is rounds 13 and 14 at the Portland E-Prix on 29 and 30 June.

Porsche in Formula E

Porsche contests its fifth Formula E season in 2023/2024. In addition to the works-run TAG Heuer Porsche Formula E Team, the American customer outfit Andretti Formula E competes with the Porsche 99X Electric. The concept of the innovative electric racing car was developed at the net CO_2-neutral Weissach facility. With its commitment to the world championship, Porsche underlines its commitment to take a leading role among traditional automobile manufacturers in the areas of electrification, sustainability and technology. In Formula E, the brand gains valuable insights for its electric series-production sports cars.

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Race 11

Pascal Wehrlein narrowly missed out on securing his third win of the season at Formula E's maiden race

in Shanghai. After a long stint in the lead, the winner of Mexico City and Misano crossed the finish line in second. Thanks to this result, Pascal earned enough points to retain second place in the gripping fight for the drivers' title.

António Félix da Costa, his teammate in the TAG Heuer Porsche Formula E Team, was also on course for the podium in the Porsche 99X Electric until a few laps before the flag. Ultimately, the winner of Sunday's race in Berlin took the flag in fifth place, followed by world champion Jake Dennis in his Porsche, fielded by the Andretti Formula E customer outfit. His teammate Norman Nato finished in 16th place.

In a race where energy management again proved crucial, Wehrlein and da Costa lead most of the race in tandem. The pair's competitive approach once again showcased the efficiency of the Porsche 99X Electric.

Sunday's Race 12 in Shanghai gets underway at 15:04 hrs local time (09:04 hrs CEST).

Post-by-post coverage of the race can be found on the X channel @PorscheFormulaE.

Comments on the Shanghai E-Prix, Race 11

Florian Modlinger, Director Factory Motorsport Formula E:"What a thrilling first day of racing in Shanghai with fierce duelling at the top. We attempted to win the race from the front. In the final stage, Pascal fell back to second place after spending a long time in the lead, but he defended it valiantly to the flag. António put in a strong drive only to lose a few positions on the last lap and finish fifth. A total of three Porsche ended up in the top six. That's a great performance which we can be very happy with. We have the pace and the performance. Now we're determined to fight for victory tomorrow, as well."

Pascal Wehrlein, Porsche works driver (#94):"We possibly took the lead a little too early today. This meant I couldn't save enough energy to stay at the top until the flag. It was a tough fight over the entire distance. We get another chance tomorrow and we want to make better use of it."

António Félix da Costa, Porsche works driver (#13):"That was a strong team effort. I tried to keep Pascal's back clear for as long and as best as I could. As a result, I wasn't able to defend my podium spot until the end."

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ABB FIA Formula E World Championship – standings after 11 of 16 races

Drivers' classification
1. Nick Cassidy (NZL), 155 points
2. Pascal Wehrlein (GER), 142 points
5. Jake Dennis (GBR), 111 points
7. António Félix da Costa (POR), 69 points
13. Norman Nato (FRA), 24 points

Teams' classification
1. Jaguar TCS Racing, 277 points
2. TAG Heuer Porsche Formula E Team, 211 points
5. Andretti Formula E, 135 points

Manufacturers' Trophy
1. Jaguar, 306 points
2. Porsche, 296 points
3. Nissan, 214 points

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Next up

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Preview

As the leader in the manufacturers' championship, Porsche celebrates its first Formula E event with the Porsche 99X Electric in China, the company's second largest single market. With four victories so far this season, the Weissach-built electric car has achieved more wins than any other vehicle in the field – three for the works team and one for the Andretti Formula E customer team.

António Félix da Costa, from Portugal, travels to Shanghai with great momentum after winning the second race at Porsche's home race in Berlin. The TAG Heuer Porsche Formula E Team claimed valuable championship points in the capital thanks to both drivers (55 in total), while Andretti Formula E took a pole position in Berlin.

Comments ahead of the Shanghai E-Prix

Florian Modlinger, Director Factory Motorsport Formula E:"Our victory in Berlin is exactly the motivation we need as we turn onto the home stretch of the season. But we're not able to savour our home race win for long; Formula E's current two-week rhythm doesn't allow the teams to take a deep breath. In Shanghai, we compete on a very wide, permanent racetrack and we can expect the races to be similar to Berlin. Energy management will also play a key role in the double-header event there. We already underlined in Misano that we have a competitive package for such racetracks. Like Berlin, Porsche employees will visit us at the track in China. Our brand is very popular there."

Pascal Wehrlein, Porsche works driver (#94): "I've never driven in Shanghai. I'm looking forward to getting to know the circuit and the city. That's the great thing about Formula E – new venues are constantly being added to the calendar. We recently gave a strong team performance in Berlin, which António crowned with his victory. That's what we're keen to repeat in Shanghai. With only six races left this season, we can't afford to leave any points behind."

António Félix da Costa, Porsche works driver (#13): "After winning in Berlin, I was keen to jump straight back in the car the next day. Celebrating my first win of the season at Porsche's home race was an indescribable feeling. We'll now take the momentum of this victory with us to Shanghai. We want to offer Chinese fans some action-packed racing and get them inspired about all-electric motorsport."

Live TV and Internet coverage

The worldwide broadcasting schedule of the Formula E events is available at https://www.fiaformulae.com/en/ways-to-watch Races 11 and 12 in Shanghai both get underway on 25 and 26 May at 15:04 hrs local time (9:04 hrs CEST). The qualifying kicks off on both days at 10:20

am local time (4:20 hrs CEST).

ABB FIA Formula E World Championship – standings after 10 of 16 races

Drivers' classification
1. Nick Cassidy (NZL), 140 points
2. Pascal Wehrlein (GER), 124 points
4. Jake Dennis (GBR), 102 points
10. António Félix da Costa (POR), 59 points
13. Norman Nato (FRA), 24 points

Teams' classification
1. Jaguar TCS Racing, 237 points
2. TAG Heuer Porsche Formula E Team, 183 points
5. Andretti Formula E, 126 points

Manufacturers' Trophy
1. Porsche, 267 points
2. Jaguar, 266 points
3. Nissan, 202 points

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