

Thomas Preining wins and now leads the championship

12/08/2018 The Porsche Carrera Cup Deutschland has a new championship leader: Thanks to his fifth win of the season, Porsche Junior Thomas Preining now leads the overall standings after eight races. The race at the Nürburgring at a glance.

Sixth place was occupied by Pereira's teammate Jean-Baptiste Simmenauer from France. Porsche veteran Robert Lukas (Förch Racing) from Poland secured seventh ahead of his compatriot Igor Walilko (Raceunion). The best amateur driver of the day was Carlos Rivas (L/Black Falcon Team TMD Friction) ahead of Stefan Rehkopf (D/Cito Pretiosa). Germany's Jörn Schmidt-Staade (Cito Pretiosa) saw the flag on the 4.638-kilometre racetrack as third in the amateur class.

The famous Porsche collector Magnus Walker and motorsport legend Derek Bell visited the Porsche Carrera Cup Deutschland as special guests. The five-time Le Mans winner waved the chequered flag on Sunday and handed the winner's trophy to Preining. Also presenting the trophies on the podium were the AvD sports president and former DTM champion Volker Strycek as well as Michael Dreiser, the Head of Porsche's one-make cup series.

Scoring five wins, Preining earned 159 points

After eight races, Preining now leads the championship of the Porsche Carrera Cup Deutschland. Scoring five wins, the youngster earned 159 points. Despite being tied for points, Ammermüller has only two wins to his credit and therefore ranks second. Ten Voorde lies third with 106 points. Leading the rookie class is Pereira with 134 points. With 172 points, Schmidt-Staade is the leader of the amateur classification.

The next double-header of the Porsche Carrera Cup Deutschland will be contested as support to the ADAC GT Masters. From 17-19 August, the national one-make cup travels to the Circuit Park Zandvoort on the Dutch North Sea coast. These two rounds will be home races for ten Voorde (Boekelo) and van Lagen from Ede.

Ammermüller took the flag 0.6 seconds shy of Preining. So far this season the driver from Rotthalmünster in Germany has clinched podium results at six of seven races. “There was a lot of paint-swapping between the vehicles today and that was pretty risky. It was a difficult race, but ultimately I have to live with third place,” said Ammermüller. Fourth place on the storied circuit in the Eifel went to Larry ten Voorde (Team Deutsche Post by Project 1) from the Netherlands ahead of Igor Walilko (Raceunion), with the Polish driver concluding the race as the best rookie.

Sixth place was occupied by Toni Wolf (Car Collection Motorsport). Taking up the race from P15, the 19-year-old German launched an impressive charge through the field to achieve his best result of the season so far. His compatriot Richard Wagner from the Raceunion squad secured seventh place, with Jacob Eidson (USA/Team Project 1) claiming eighth on the 4.638-kilometre racetrack. Germany's Stefan Rehkopf (Cito Pretiosa) scored first in the amateur class, relegating his compatriot and teammate Jörn Schmidt-Staade to second place. Third in the class went to Carlos Rivas (Black Falcon Team TMD Friction) from Luxembourg.

Magnus Walker waved chequered flag

The Porsche Carrera Cup Deutschland enjoyed a visit from Magnus Walker. The avid Porsche enthusiast joined Volker Strycek, the host and AvD sports president, on the podium to present the trophies. Walker also waved the chequered flag at the Nürburgring.

After seven races, Ammermüller is the “half-time champion” of the Porsche Carrera Cup Deutschland. The 32-year-old leads the overall classification with two wins and 139 points. Preining sits second just five points in arrears. Third in the championship is occupied by ten Voorde. The 21-year-old has earned 93 points so far. The rookie class is led by Dylan Pereira (L/Lechner Racing) with 109 points. Schmidt-Staade ranks first in the amateur class with 156 points.

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