

Thomas Preining celebrates double victory at the Sachsenring

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09/09/2018 In the fight for the Porsche Carrera Cup Deutschland title, Thomas Preining is in an excellent situation heading to the season finale: After finishing Saturday's race in first place, the Porsche Junior went on to secure his eighth win of the season at round twelve on Sunday.

Third place on the 3.645-kilometre racetrack was occupied by ten Voorde. The Project 1 driver started from third on the grid, but lost his position to Toni Wolf (D/Car Collection Motorsport) in the first lap. Ten Voorde then stuck to the bumper of the 19-year-old German. In lap 13, the driver from Boekelo in the Netherlands made his move and snatched back third place. “Unfortunately I fell back after the start but I don't let such things worry me. I then waited for my chance and grabbed it," said ten Voorde. Toni Wolf competed in front of home crowds this weekend. The driver from Schönbrunn in Saxony concluded the race on fourth place – and achieved his best result of the season so far.

Fifth place on the storied racetrack in Hohenstein-Ernstthal went to Igor Walilko (Raceunion). For the Polish driver, this meant first place in the rookie class. Tim Zimmermann (D/Black Falcon Team TMD Friction) secured sixth, with Marius Nakken (N/MRS GT-Racing) on seventh. Eighth place was taken by Michael de Quesada (USA/Team Project 1). Carlos Rivas (Black Falcon Team TMD Friction) scored victory in the amateur class. This marked the sixth time the Luxembourger has been the best driver in his category. Second in the amateur class went to Jörn Schmidt-Staade (D/Cito Pretiosa), with his compatriot Stefan Rehkopf (Cito Pretiosa) crossing the finish line in third.

This weekend's event marked a home race for Toni Wolf: The 19 year old lives around 50 kilometres away from the Sachsenring in Schönbrunn, Saxony. Wolf took up the race from the sixth grid spot and at one point had moved into fourth place. Ultimately, he crossed the finish line in sixth. Seventh place was occupied by Igor Walilko (PL/Raceunion) ahead of Glenn van Parijs (B/MRS GT-Racing). Carlos Rivas (Black Falcon Team TMD Friction) celebrated victory in the amateur class. Finishing behind the Luxembourger were the German drivers for the Cito Pretiosa squad, Stefan Rehkopf and Jörn Schmidt-Staade.

The BWT Lechner Racing team had reason to celebrate. After earning 384 points, the squad from Austria has taken home the team championship trophy early. For the established team, this is the second team title in the Porsche Carrera Cup Deutschland. In the eleven races contested so far this season, at least one of the two Lechner drivers, Preining or Ammermüller, stood on the podium.

In the championship, Preining has expanded his lead at the top of the points table: After eleven races, he leads the classification with 204 points. Ammermüller follows on second with 182 points. Ten Voorde occupies third with 133 points. Holding 169 points, Dylan Pereira (L/Lechner Racing) leads the rookie classification. Schmidt-Staade ranks first in the amateur class. The Düsseldorf racer has earned 199 points.

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