

Nick Yelloly wins city race in the Principality

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27/05/2018 A special triumph for Nick Yelloly: On the Circuit de Monaco, the Englishman has celebrated his maiden victory in the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup on Sunday.

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Third place on the 3.337-kilometre street circuit went to Pereira. The 20-year-old took off from fourth on the grid and in the first lap immediately overtook Zaid Ashkanani (MRS GT-Racing) from Kuwait. “The key to success was the start. I prepared for this with reaction training and that paid off,” said Pereira. Fourth place was secured by Jaap van Lagen (Fach Auto Tech) from the Netherlands. The Dane Mikkel Overgaard Pedersen (MRS GT-Racing) finished in fifth place ahead of Ashkanani.

After setting ninth in qualifying, the Porsche Junior Julien Andlauer (martinet by ALMERAS) from France took the flag in tenth place. This race was the debut for the 18-year-old on the demanding racetrack at the Côte d'Azur. “That was an intense race with a lot of cars on the track, especially in the tight corners. The gap between the vehicles in the midfield was minimal, so I had to keep my wits about me the entire time. I would have liked to gain more ground, but unfortunately I couldn't find a gap to overtake," said Andlauer.

This was also the first race on the Formula 1 racetrack in Monte Carlo for the Porsche Junior Thomas Preining (BWT Lechner Racing). The youngster from Linz in Austria headed into the race from position 16 and managed to make up two places. “After the qualifying it became clear that it would be a tough race. I tried to put pressure on the drivers in front of me, but no one made a mistake," said the 19-year-old. The best driver in the ProAm classification was Roar Lindland (N/Lechner Racing Middle East). Second place in the category went to Christof Langer (D/Fach Auto Tech) ahead of Philipp Sager (A/MRS Cup-Racing).

After two races, Ammermüller leads the championship with 38 points, followed by Yelloly and van Lagen both with 32 points. The best ProAm driver, which is the classification for amateur drivers, is Lindland with 40 points followed by Langer and Nicolas Misslin (F/Pierre martinet by ALMERAS). In the team category, Fach Auto Tech ranks first with 64 points. From 29 June to 1 July, the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup will visit the Red Bull Ring in Austria, a rollercoaster circuit in Styria. Round three of the international one-make cup marks the home race for the Lechner Racing team and Porsche Junior Preining from Linz. The VIP car with the starting number 911 will line up on the Red Bull Ring. At the wheel of the race car fielded by Porsche AG is the current Dakar rally champion Matthias Walkner.

#PorscheMobil1Supercup - @NickYelloly clocked the fastest lap time in qualifying with his #Porsche #911GT3Cup. Michael Ammermüller P2 and Zaid Ashkanani P3 at Circuit de Monaco @PorscheNewsroom pic.twitter.com/IAQPcEmOdb

From third place, Zaid Ashkanani (KWT/MRS GT-Racing) takes up the only street circuit race on the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup calendar. With just two minutes left, the 24-year-old from Kuwait City set the third quickest time in 1:34.475 minutes. “We had a good strategy and I encountered only a bit of traffic. I like this track and I came fourth here last year. Every race driver dreams of driving here in this special atmosphere. I'm very much looking forward to the race on Sunday," said Ashkanani.

For Porsche Junior Julien Andlauer (martinet by ALMERAS), this marks the first time on the Circuit de Monaco. The young French driver posted the ninth quickest time with 1:35.325 minutes. “To be honest, the qualifying didn't go as I'd imagined. This circuit is incredibly challenging and the packed field make it very tight. Still, I'm feeling confident that I can improve on Sunday," said the 18-year-old Frenchman.

Porsche Junior Thomas Preining (BWT Lechner Racing) tackles the race from position 16. This is also the 19-year-old Austrian's maiden race on the storied racetrack. Preining turned his fastest lap in 1:36.243 minutes. “Unfortunately I didn't get a free run and I lost a lot of time. My grid position is not great, especially for Monaco, because it's only really possible to overtake on this narrow circuit when the

guy in front makes a mistake," said Preining.

Round two of the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup gets underway on Sunday at 10.30 hrs local time. Fans can watch the race via live timing or as a web radio broadcast on www.racecam.de. Eurosport televises the race in more than 60 countries. Moreover, the broadcaster Sky airs the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup in both the UK and Italy.

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