

Ammermüller wins first Monte Carlo race

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28/05/2017 A dream came true for Michael Ammermüller (Lechner MSG Racing Team): The German secured his first victory in Monte Carlo/Monaco on Sunday, and thus has claimed a hat trick in the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup.

When Michael Ammermüller parked his Porsche 911 GT3 Cup at the royal box for the podium ceremony, he kissed the vehicle that carried him to victory. “I'm over the moon. My first victory in Monaco is something very special. I was nervous beforehand and would have preferred to have driven the race immediately after Friday's qualifying session. But ultimately everything went well,” said Ammermüller. Monaco rookie Daniel Cammish (GB/Lechner MSG Racing Team) finished second ahead of Porsche Junior Dennis Olsen (N/Walter Lechner Racing Team).

Ammermüller was in top form on the twisty street circuit on the Côte d'Azur. In the qualifying and race,

the Bavarian kept his cool. While he led the field, behind him Cammish swept past Olsen in the sprint to the first corner. And this is how the order remained to the flag. “Position two is somewhat surreal at the moment. I came here as a rookie and I'd hoped for a top ten placing. My entire team is ecstatic; we all had tears in our eyes. It felt incredible to stand on the podium," said Cammish, who is contesting his first season in the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup and has gained attention as the champion of the Porsche Carrera Cup Great Britain. The 28-year-old from Leeds also turned the fastest race lap on the 3.340-kilometre circuit in a time of 1:36.152 minutes.

Whilst several midfielders made contact with the Armco barriers, the top eight made it to the finish line after 16 laps without mishap. Porsche Junior Olsen took a risk at the start: “I was determined to snatch Ammermüller in the first metres but I just didn't get off the line quickly enough. Still, it's a great feeling to climb the podium in Monaco."

Zaid Ashkanani (MRS GT-Racing) achieved his best result so far in the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup. The student from Kuwait finished fourth, fending off the attacks of Porsche Junior Matt Campbell (AUS/Fach Auto Tech). “I attempted to keep up the pressure, but Zaid put in an immaculate drive. Considering it's my first Monaco race, I'm happy with fifth place," said the 22-year-old Campbell. Daniele di Amato (I/Dinamic Motorsport) took the flag in sixth. The best amateur pilot was Roar Lindland (N/MRS Cup-Racing).

After three races, Ammermüller leads the overall classification of the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup with 60 points, with Olsen (52) and Cammish (48) ranking second and third. Lindland leads the amateur category. In the newly created League of Nations, Germany holds the lead with maximum points (60) thanks to Ammermüller. Olsen has earned vital points for his country, with Norway now sitting on second place with 52 points. Cammish's successes have put Great Britain on third place with 48 points.

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