Zaugg & De Nora secure first advantage in Championship finale

The Bonaldi Motorsport pair claim pole in the closing moments of qualifying

20 September 2013, Nürburging. Adrian Zaugg and Federico De Nora claimed a last gasp pole position to ideally set up their first race in the championship finale that will see one of four drivers claim the 2013 Lamborghini Blancpain Super Trofeo title at the Nürburging this weekend.

Zaugg claimed the fastest lap early in the 40 minute qualifying session, but at the 17 minute interval, Andrea 2Amici steered his Imperiale Gallardo into P1 and Zaugg & De Nora were relegated to third behind another PRO-AM contender, Leonardo Geraci.

The status quo prevailed for much of the remaining session, with the series leader, Cédric Leimer not able to improve on 9th place. With track conditions seemingly not improving, Zaugg however went purple in sectors one and three against the run of play on his final flying lap to edge pole by a slender 0.162s. He will start tomorrow's race one from P1, followed by title rivals Andrea Amici and Leonardo Geraci.

In the battle for the amateur title, Laurent Jenny qualified in seventh, a comfortable 4 places ahead of his only title rival, Mirko Zanardini. Outside of the immediate championship contenders, the Composit Motorsport pairing of Enrico Dell'Onte & Andrea Gagliardini qualified strongly in fourth place.

P1 Federico De Nora/Adrian Zaugg #3, Bonaldi Motorsport

"We had a consistent pace in both practice sessions so I expected us to be strong in qualifying. We started well, but then Amici built such a gap, it felt as if pole was out of reach. At the very end, we got a good lap together thanks to the team doing a great job in setting up the car. We've been on pole five times this season and I'd love us to convert this to a win. With Federico lapping really strongly today, a win should be within reach."

P1 Federico De Nora/Adrian Zaugg #3, Bonaldi Motorsport

"We're on pole again, thanks to Adrian, so we're very happy. The circuit is extremely fast and our opponents are particularly competitive this weekend. Bonaldi always prepares a fantastic car, so today was an amazing experience. Aside from being strong in qualifying, I am also enjoying the atmosphere here, the paddock is very busy with fans and there is so much passion for racing – I even signed my first autograph!"

The PRO-AM Championship Contenders

- In all championships, points are awarded to the first ten finishers in each class: 15, 12, 10, 8, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1

- A maximum possible score in this weekend's two races is therefore 30 points

Driver/Car No.	Team	Points	Wins/ Podium Ratio	Comments
#63 Cédric Leimer (CHE)	Autovitesse Garage R. Affolter	92	2 (Monza, Silverstone) 75% podium ratio	Cédric is aiming to claim his third Lamborghini Blancpain Super Trofeo title in five seasons
#54 Andrea Amici (ITA)	Autocazzerria Imperiale SRL	81	4 (Monza, Silverstone, Spa x2) 62.5% podium ratio	Andrea arrives in Germany having won the last three races
#69 Leonardo Geraci, (ITA)	Touring Auto 2000 SRL	74	1 (Misano), 50% podium ratio	Amateur champion last year, Geraci has claimed points in every race
#3 Adrian Zaugg (RSA)/Federico De Nora (ITA)	Bonaldi Motorsport	74	0 wins, 62.5% podium ratio	The only professional and amateur driver partnership in contention for the title

In the Amateur series, #19, Laurent Jenny (CHE) Autovitesse Garage R. Affolter, holds a 24 point lead having won two races and appeared on the podium on 75% of occasions this season. His only contender is #34, Bonaldi Motorsport's Mirko Zanardini (ITA) with 70 points.

In the PRO-AM Teams' Championship Autovitesse Garage R. Affolter (92 points) hold a single point advantage over Autocazzerria Imperiale SRL (91 points), with Bonaldi Motorsport in third with 80 points. In the Amateur Teams' Championship, Autovitesse Garage R. Affolter (94 points) hold a 24 point advantage over the Gravity-Charouz Team (70 points) and Bonaldi Motorsport (70 points).



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Live Race Broadcast

A fully produced broadcast of the two weekend races, complete with English-language commentary, will be available at http://squadracorse.lamborghini.com/en/live/ at 1150hrs CET on Saturday September 21 and 0930hrs CET for race two on Sunday September 22.

Lamborghini Squadra Corse

Lamborghini Squadra Corse is a specialist team within Lamborghini's R&D department dedicated to motorsport including GT3, the Super Trofeo series, and a customer driving program.

From 2013, the Squadra Corse will provide an integrated approach to Lamborghini driving experiences. A new series of 'Esperienza' events provide enthusiasts and prospects with opportunity for a first test-drive and to experience the world of Lamborghini.

The Lamborghini Academies, on both track and ice, provide driver training and the initial steps towards racing.

The Super Trofeo series provides the perfect first race experience for young and gentleman drivers, with the Lamborghini GT3 for more experienced racers wanting to compete with the Lamborghini marque worldwide.

Race Calendar for 2013

In Europe, the Lamborghini Blancpain Super Trofeo will again partner the Blancpain Endurance Series.

Nurburgring (DEU)	21/22 September
Spa (BEL)	25/28 July
Paul Ricard (FRA)	29 June/01 July
Silverstone (GBR)	01/02 June
Misano (ITA)	04/05 May
Monza (ITA)	13/14 April



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Blancpain

Founded in 1735 by Jehan-Jacques Blancpain, the watch brand bearing his name is the oldest in the world. Blancpain is currently engaged to the renewal of mechanical watchmaking and to passing on exceptional expertise from one generation to the next through constant investment in human resources, production facilities and research. This approach is its strength and the expression of our long-term vision, even though it goes against the tide of a certain tendency to seek immediate profit. From the creation of components through to watch design, Blancpain is distinguished by its ability to develop exceptional movements. Over the past 8 years, the Manufacture has indeed developed no less than 29 new calibres.

Through its various models, Blancpain preserves its heritage of precision and elegance, while also displaying an innovative and occasionally provocative spirit. Its range encompasses the sportive L-evolution line, the legendary Fifty Fathoms diver's watch, as well as the classic Villeret collection, the high complication from Le Brassus collection and the Women models.

Pirelli

Founded in 1872, Pirelli is the world's fifth largest tyre manufacturer based on revenues. With a presence in over 160 countries, the company now has 22 tyre manufacturing facilities on five continents and employs some 34,000 people.

Having been involved in motor racing since 1907, Pirelli is currently the single tyre manufacturer for Formula 1[™] for the 2011-2013 championship seasons and for the World Superbike Championship. This is an important challenge in terms of technological innovation and is a key means of promoting the Pirelli brand.

In 2013, Pirelli underlines its status as the global tyre manufacturer with the biggest commitment to motorsport. In total, the Italian firm supplies 138 different championships across the world, excluding Formula One, both on the road and on the track. One of the most important engagements is the Lamborghini Blancpain Super Trofeo, supplied exclusively by Pirelli, which highlights the strong technical collaboration that the two Italian icons have shared since 1963.

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