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Round 1 American Le Mans Series  
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**PORSCHE**

American Le Mans Series presented by Tequila Patron: Combined practice (1-hour session):

At 9:55 am (0h 0m running), **Green Flag**

At 9:57 am (0h 2m running), Peter Dumbreck (#22-P1 HPD ARX-03a Honda), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 2:28.989.

At 9:57 am (0h 2m running), Marc Lieb (#77-GT Porsche 911 RSR 997), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:34.346.

At 9:57 am (0h 2m running), Ryan Dalziel (#44-P2 HPD ARX-03b Honda), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:30.551.

At 9:57 am (0h 2m running), Frederic Makowiecki (#59-GT Ferrari F458 Italia), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:33.660.

At 9:57 am (0h 2m running), Rui Aguas (#61-GTE-AM Ferrari F458 Italia), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:42.658.

At 9:59 am (0h 4m running), Chapman Ducote (#7-PC Oreca FLM09) Stopped at run 11, continued.

At 9:59 am (0h 4m running), Bruno Junqueira (#9-PC Oreca FLM09), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 2:03.630.

At 9:59 am (0h 4m running), Pierre Kaffer (#49-P2 Oreca/Nissan), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:29.749.

At 9:59 am (0h 4m running), Jorg Mueller (#155-GT BMW E92 M3), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:10.697.

At 9:59 am (0h 4m running), Damien Faulkner (#34-GTC Porsche 911 GT3 Cup), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:13.450.

At 9:59 am (0h 4m running), Jorg Bergmeister (#45-GT Porsche 911 GT3 RSR), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:08.182.

At 9:59 am (0h 4m running), Chris Cumming (#11-GTC Porsche 911 GT3 Cup), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:13.232.

At 9:59 am (0h 4m running), Ryan Dalziel (#44-P2 HPD ARX-03b Honda), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 2:03.476.

At 9:59 am (0h 4m running), Johannes van Overbeek (#01-GT Ferrari F458 Italia), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:06.651.

At 9:59 am (0h 4m running), Neel Jani (#12-P1 Lola B12/60 Coupe Toyota), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 2:00.412.

At 9:59 am (0h 4m running), Marc Lieb (#77-GT Porsche 911 RSR 997), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:05.988.

At 9:59 am (0h 4m running), Frederic Makowiecki (#59-GT Ferrari F458 Italia), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:05.640.

At 9:59 am (0h 4m running), Toni Vilander (#51-GT Ferrari F458 GT), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:03.397.

At 10:00 am (0h 5m running), Rui Aguas (#61-GTE-AM Ferrari F458 Italia), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:06.034.

At 10:00 am (0h 5m running), Bill Sweedler (#023-GTC Porsche 911 GT3 Cup), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:11.876.

At 10:00 am (0h 5m running), Harold Primat (#13-P1 Lola B12/60 Coupe Toyota), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:59.750.

At 10:00 am (0h 5m running), David Heinemeier Hansson (#37-P2 Morgan/Judd), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:00.357.



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At 10:00 am (0h 5m running), Colin Braun (#05-PC Oreca FLM09), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 1:59.941.

At 10:01 am (0h 6m running), Guillaume Moreau (#15-P1 Oak Pescarolo Judd), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:52.238.

At 10:01 am (0h 6m running), Olivier Pla (#24-P2 Morgan/Judd), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 1:54.260.

At 10:01 am (0h 6m running), Bruno Junqueira (#9-PC Oreca FLM09), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 1:59.479.

At 10:01 am (0h 6m running), Damien Faulkner (#34-GTC Porsche 911 GT3 Cup), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:07.870.

At 10:02 am (0h 6m running), Stefan Mucke (#97-GT Aston Martin Vantage V8), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:03.366.

At 10:02 am (0h 7m running), Nicki Thiim (#031-GTC Porsche 911 GT3 Cup), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:07.803.

At 10:02 am (0h 7m running), Sean Edwards (#30-GTC Porsche 911 GT3 Cup), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:06.942.

At 10:02 am (0h 7m running), Niclas Jonsson (#57-GTE-AM Ferrari F458 Italia), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:05.316.

At 10:03 am (0h 8m running), Kyle Marcelli (#8-PC Oreca FLM09), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 1:59.264.

At 10:03 am (0h 8m running), Dominik Farnbacher (#58-GTE-AM Ferrari F458 Italia), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:03.723.

At 10:03 am (0h 8m running), Johannes van Overbeek (#01-GT Ferrari F458 Italia), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:02.016.

At 10:04 am (0h 9m running), Stefan Mucke (#97-GT Aston Martin Vantage V8), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:01.791.

At 10:05 am (0h 10m running), Ricardo Vera (#18-PC Oreca FLM09), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 1:58.686.

At 10:05 am (0h 10m running), Kyle Marcelli (#8-PC Oreca FLM09), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 1:58.347.

At 10:05 am (0h 10m running), Robbie Kerr (#25-P2 Oreca 03 Nissan), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 1:54.214.

At 10:05 am (0h 10m running), Marc Lieb (#77-GT Porsche 911 RSR 997), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:00.883.

At 10:06 am (0h 11m running), Sean Edwards (#30-GTC Porsche 911 GT3 Cup), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:06.592.

At 10:06 am (0h 11m running), Colin Braun (#05-PC Oreca FLM09), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 1:57.518.

At 10:07 am (0h 12m running), Neel Jani (#12-P1 Lola B12/60 Coupe Toyota), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:52.219.

At 10:07 am (0h 12m running), Romain Dumas (#3-P1 Audi R18), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:50.001.



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At 10:11 am (0h 16m running), Sean Edwards (#30-GTC Porsche 911 GT3 Cup), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:06.586.

At 10:12 am (0h 17m running), David Heinemeier Hansson (#37-P2 Morgan/Judd) off and back on at turn 10.  
At 10:12 am (0h 17m running), Toni Vilander (#51-GT Ferrari F458 GT), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:00.705.

At 10:13 am (0h 18m running), The No. 1 and No. 2 Audis are not going out in the session. The team feels no need and are set for qualifying. The No. 3 car is doing a few installation laps (currently best overall).

At 10:13 am (0h 18m running), Niclas Jonsson (#57-GTE-AM Ferrari F458 Italia), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:03.429.

At 10:13 am (0h 18m running), Pierre Kaffer (#49-P2 Oreca/Nissan), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 1:52.233.

At 10:15 am (0h 20m running), Niclas Jonsson (#57-GTE-AM Ferrari F458 Italia), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:02.408.

At 10:17 am (0h 22m running), Colin Braun (#05-PC Oreca FLM09), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 1:56.883.

At 10:18 am (0h 23m running), Guillaume Moreau (#15-P1 Oak Pescarolo Judd), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:49.964.

At 10:19 am (0h 24m running), Pedro Lamy (#50-GTE-AM Corvette C6-ZR1), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:02.402.

At 10:20 am (0h 25m running), Bruno Junqueira (#9-PC Oreca FLM09), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 1:56.135.

At 10:22 am (0h 27m running), Olivier Pla (#24-P2 Morgan/Judd), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 1:51.318.

At 10:26 am (0h 31m running), Joey Hand (#56-GT BMW E92 M3), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:00.483.

At 10:27 am (0h 32m running), Romain Dumas (#3-P1 Audi R18), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:48.200.

At 10:28 am (0h 33m running), Paolo Ruberti (#88-GTE-AM Porsche 911 RSR 997), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:02.208.

At 10:30 am (0h 35m running), Paolo Ruberti (#88-GTE-AM Porsche 911 RSR 997), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:01.536.

At 10:37 am (0h 42m running), Damien Faulkner (#34-GTC Porsche 911 GT3 Cup), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:06.439.



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At 10:41 am (0h 46m running), Leh Keen (#022-GTC Porsche 911 GT3 Cup), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:06.365.

At 10:42 am (0h 46m running), Niclas Jonsson (#57-GTE-AM Ferrari F458 Italia), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:01.512.

At 10:42 am (0h 47m running), Jorg Mueller (#155-GT BMW E92 M3), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:00.420.

At 10:43 am (0h 48m running), Gianmaria Bruni (#51-GT Ferrari F458 GT), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:00.233.

At 10:43 am (0h 48m running), Jaime Melo (#59-GT Ferrari F458 Italia), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:00.187.

At 10:46 am (0h 51m running), E.J. Viso (#06-PC Oreca FLM09), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 1:55.606.

At 10:46 am (0h 51m running), Richard Lietz (#77-GT Porsche 911 RSR 997), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 1:59.987.

At 10:47 am (0h 52m running), Kevin Estre (#11-GTC Porsche 911 GT3 Cup) Off and stopped at turn 10.

At 10:48 am (0h 53m running), **red flag**

At 10:48 am (0h 53m running), Niclas Jonsson (#57-GTE-AM Ferrari F458 Italia), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:01.348.

At 10:49 am (0h 54m running), **Checkered Flag**

At 10:50 am (0h 55m running), Christophe Bourret (#70-GTE-AM Corvette C6-ZR1) off and stopped at turn 7.

**Top three in class** (overall in parentheses):

- (1) #3-P1 Romain Dumas (Audi R18) 1:48.200
- (2) #15-P1 Guillaume Moreau (Oak Pescarolo Judd) 1:49.964 (1.764-)
- (3) #13-P1 Andrea Belicchi (Lola B12/60 Coupe Toyota) 1:50.134 (1.934-)

- (9) #24-P2 Jacques Nicolet (Morgan/Judd) 1:51.318
- (11) #44-P2 Stephane Sarrazin (HPD ARX-03b Honda) 1:51.842 (0.524-)
- (12) #25-P2 John Martin (Oreca 03 Nissan) 1:51.899 (0.581-)

- (21) #06-PC E.J. Viso (Oreca FLM09) 1:55.606
- (22) #9-PC Bruno Junqueira (Oreca FLM09) 1:56.135 (0.529-)
- (23) #7-PC Javier Echeverria (Oreca FLM09) 1:56.352 (0.746-)

- (30) #77-GT Richard Lietz (Porsche 911 RSR 997) 1:59.987
- (31) #59-GT Jaime Melo (Ferrari F458 Italia) 2:00.187 (0.200-)
- (32) #51-GT Gianmaria Bruni (Ferrari F458 GT) 2:00.233 (0.246-)

- (39) #57-GTE-AM Niclas Jonsson (Ferrari F458 Italia) 2:01.348
- (41) #88-GTE-AM Paolo Ruberti (Porsche 911 RSR 997) 2:01.536 (0.188-)
- (48) #50-GTE-AM Pedro Lamy (Corvette C6-ZR1) 2:02.402 (1.054-)

- (53) #022-GTC Leh Keen (Porsche 911 GT3 Cup) 2:06.365
- (54) #34-GTC Damien Faulkner (Porsche 911 GT3 Cup) 2:06.439 (0.074-)
- (55) #30-GTC Sean Edwards (Porsche 911 GT3 Cup) 2:06.586 (0.221-)





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**PORSCHE**

**American Le Mans Series presented by Tequila Patron: GTE-AM/GTC Qualifying**

At 3:20 pm (0h 0m running), **Green Flag**

At 3:24 pm (0h 4m running), Spencer Pumpelly (#66-GTC Porsche 911 GT3 Cup), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 2:08.333.

At 3:24 pm (0h 4m running), Niclas Jonsson (#57-GTE-AM Ferrari F458 Italia), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 2:04.226.

At 3:25 pm (0h 4m running), Nicki Thiim (#031-GTC Porsche 911 GT3 Cup), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:07.890.

At 3:25 pm (0h 5m running), Damien Faulkner (#34-GTC Porsche 911 GT3 Cup), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:07.029.

At 3:26 pm (0h 5m running), Dominik Farnbacher (#58-GTE-AM Ferrari F458 Italia), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 2:02.097.

At 3:28 pm (0h 7m running), Leh Keen (#022-GTC Porsche 911 GT3 Cup), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:06.942.

At 3:28 pm (0h 7m running), Dominik Farnbacher (#58-GTE-AM Ferrari F458 Italia), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 2:00.625.

At 3:29 pm (0h 9m running), Sean Edwards (#30-GTC Porsche 911 GT3 Cup), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:06.674.

At 3:32 pm (0h 12m running), Dominik Farnbacher (#58-GTE-AM Ferrari F458 Italia), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 2:00.258.

At 3:34 pm (0h 14m running), Dominik Farnbacher (#58-GTE-AM Ferrari F458 Italia), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 2:00.184.

At 3:35 pm (0h 15m running), **Checkered Flag**

**American Le Mans Series presented by Tequila Patron: GTE-PRO/GT Qualifying**

At 3:35 pm (0h 15m running), **Green Flag**

At 3:38 pm (0h 18m running), Stefan Mucke (#97-GT Aston Martin Vantage V8), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:34.642.

At 3:39 pm (0h 19m running), Olivier Beretta (#71-GT Ferrari F458 Italia), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:33.726.

At 3:39 pm (0h 19m running), Jorg Bergmeister (#45-GT Porsche 911 GT3 RSR), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:03.054.

At 3:40 pm (0h 20m running), Stefan Mucke (#97-GT Aston Martin Vantage V8), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:01.796.



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At 3:41 pm (0h 21m running), Jorg Bergmeister (#45-GT Porsche 911 GT3 RSR), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:00.284.

At 3:42 pm (0h 22m running), Stefan Mucke (#97-GT Aston Martin Vantage V8), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 2:00.174.

At 3:43 pm (0h 23m running), Gianmaria Bruni (#51-GT Ferrari F458 GT), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 2:00.158.

At 3:43 pm (0h 23m running), Jaime Melo (#59-GT Ferrari F458 Italia), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:59.720.

At 3:43 pm (0h 23m running), Olivier Beretta (#71-GT Ferrari F458 Italia), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:59.659.

At 3:45 pm (0h 25m running), Gianmaria Bruni (#51-GT Ferrari F458 GT), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:59.616.

At 3:45 pm (0h 25m running), Jaime Melo (#59-GT Ferrari F458 Italia), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:58.723.

At 3:47 pm (0h 27m running), the air temperature is 83 degrees with a track temperature of 89 degrees, under mostly sunny skies

At 3:49 pm (0h 29m running), Gianmaria Bruni (#51-GT Ferrari F458 GT), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:58.427.

At 3:50 pm (0h 30m running), **Checkered Flag: : GTE-PRO/GT Qualifying**

**American Le Mans Series presented by Tequila Patron: LMP2/LMPC Qualifying**

At 3:55 pm (0h 35m running), **Green Flag: LMP2/LMPC Qualifying**

At 3:57 pm (0h 37m running), Thomas Holzer (#31-P2 Lola B12/80 Coupe Lotus), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:36.909.

At 3:58 pm (0h 38m running), Stephane Sarrazin (#44-P2 HPD ARX-03b Honda), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:27.968.

At 3:59 pm (0h 39m running), Bruno Junqueira (#9-PC Oreca FLM09), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:57.597.

At 3:59 pm (0h 39m running), Pablo Sanchez (#7-PC Oreca FLM09), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:57.284.

At 3:59 pm (0h 39m running), Kyle Marcelli (#8-PC Oreca FLM09), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:57.265.

At 3:59 pm (0h 39m running), Dane Cameron (#025-PC Oreca FLM09), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:57.049.

At 3:59 pm (0h 39m running), Pierre Kaffer (#49-P2 Oreca/Nissan), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:23.724.

At 3:59 pm (0h 39m running), Christophe Bouchut (#055-P2 HPD ARX-03b), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:53.649.



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At 4:00 pm (0h 40m running), Colin Braun (#05-PC Oreca FLM09), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 1:56.644.

At 4:00 pm (0h 40m running), Elton Julian (#41-P2 Zytek Z11SN-Nissan), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:53.025.

At 4:00 pm (0h 40m running), Stephane Sarrazin (#44-P2 HPD ARX-03b Honda), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:52.417.

At 4:01 pm (0h 40m running), Bruno Junqueira (#9-PC Oreca FLM09), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 1:55.320.

At 4:01 pm (0h 41m running), Dane Cameron (#025-PC Oreca FLM09), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 1:55.221.

At 4:02 pm (0h 42m running), Colin Braun (#05-PC Oreca FLM09), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 1:55.208.

At 4:02 pm (0h 42m running), Elton Julian (#41-P2 Zytek Z11SN-Nissan), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:51.809.

At 4:02 pm (0h 42m running), Stephane Sarrazin (#44-P2 HPD ARX-03b Honda), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:50.823.

At 4:02 pm (0h 42m running), Bruno Junqueira (#9-PC Oreca FLM09), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 1:54.510.

At 4:03 pm (0h 43m running), Olivier Pla (#24-P2 Morgan/Judd), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:50.467.

At 4:03 pm (0h 43m running), Christophe Bouchut (#055-P2 HPD ARX-03b) into the tires hard at turn 1. The car clipped the inside wall and went hard into the outside wall.

At 4:03 pm (0h 43m running), **red flag**

At 4:10 pm (0h 50m running), **green flag**

At 4:12 pm (0h 52m running), **Checkered Flag: LMP2/LMPC Cars**

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At 4:10 pm (0h 50m running), **green flag: LMP1 cars**

At 4:14 pm (0h 54m running), Tom Kristensen (#2-P1 Audi R18), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 3:32.320.

At 4:15 pm (0h 55m running), Romain Dumas (#3-P1 Audi R18), posts the **best lap of the session in class** with a 2:19.034.

At 4:15 pm (0h 55m running), Tom Kristensen (#2-P1 Audi R18), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:50.240.

At 4:16 pm (0h 56m running), Romain Dumas (#3-P1 Audi R18), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:47.342.

At 4:17 pm (0h 57m running), Tom Kristensen (#2-P1 Audi R18), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:46.825.



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At 4:19 pm (0h 59m running), Chris Dyson (#016-P1 Lola B12/60 Mazda) into the pits for a stop and hold for one minute for starting the session before the green flag.

At 4:20 pm (01h m running), Andre Lotterer (#1-P1 Audi R18), posts the **best lap of the session overall** with a 1:45.820.

At 4:24 pm (1h 4m running), **Checkered Flag**

**Top three in class** (overall in parentheses)

- (1) #1-P1 Andre Lotterer (Audi R18) 1:45.820
- (2) #2-P1 Tom Kristensen (Audi R18) 1:46.215 (0.395-)
- (3) #3-P1 Romain Dumas (Audi R18) 1:46.935 (1.115-)
  
- (11) #24-P2 Olivier Pla (Morgan/Judd) 1:50.467
- (12) #44-P2 Stephane Sarrazin (HPD ARX-03b Honda) 1:50.823 (0.356-)
- (13) #41-P2 Elton Julian (Zytek Z11SN-Nissan) 1:51.809 (1.342-)
  
- (21) #9-PC Bruno Junqueira (Oreca FLM09) 1:54.510
- (22) #06-PC E.J. Viso (Oreca FLM09) 1:54.555 (0.045-)
- (24) #025-PC Dane Cameron (Oreca FLM09) 1:54.628 (0.118-)
  
- (31) #51-GT Gianmaria Bruni (Ferrari F458 GT) 1:58.427
- (32) #59-GT Jaime Melo (Ferrari F458 Italia) 1:58.723 (0.296-)
- (33) #03-GT Jan Magnussen (Corvette C6-ZR1) 1:58.996 (0.569-)
  
- (40) #58-GTE-AM Dominik Farnbacher (Ferrari F458 Italia) 2:00.184
- (44) #57-GTE-AM Niclas Jonsson (Ferrari F458 Italia) 2:00.929 (0.745-)
- (46) #50-GTE-AM Pedro Lamy (Corvette C6-ZR1) 2:01.640 (1.456-)
  
- (52) #30-GTC Sean Edwards (Porsche 911 GT3 Cup) 2:06.674
- (53) #34-GTC Damien Faulkner (Porsche 911 GT3 Cup) 2:06.697 (0.023-)
- (54) #022-GTC Leh Keen (Porsche 911 GT3 Cup) 2:06.711 (0.037-)

Qualifying quotes to follow in about an hour.

**Next session:** Morning warm-up at 8:00 am EDT Saturday march 17, 2012.





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**Jonathon Summerton (#56-GT BMW E92 M3)** "It is awesome to be here in this race. The BMW RLL team have been so helpful. I'm very honored to be here with them and hopefully we can go for a win. It's a great group of guys. Right now, I am running in four ALMS races this year. I'm filling in for Joey (Hand) when he goes to the DMT series. After that, it is wherever BMW North American or BMW Motorsport want me. I want to be affiliated with a manufacturer and BMW is just the best. It is a thrill to be here."

**Simon Pagenaud (#6-P1 HPD ARX-03a)** "It was a good day overall. In the end, we placed the Muscle Milk HPD right behind the Audis and that's very good. However, it was an interesting day trying to make the car work with the track. We tried different things and, by the end of the session, it was very positive. I think we're heading in the right direction. I'm getting excited now. I think we have our finger on what we need to do and it's coming together. It's taking longer than we would like because the sessions are short. There are a lot of cars on track and there were a lot of red flags, which makes it very difficult for the team to get to try what they want to try. It's especially frustrating for the engineers but everyone is doing a great job and I think we should be good for qualifying and Saturday for the race."

**Ryan Hunter-Reay (#95-P2 HPD ARX-03b)** "This has been a driver's dream week. Just in a race car almost every day. The old quote, "just living the dream" is my motto this week. Saturday and Monday I was here in the LMP2 sports car for Level 5, Tuesday and Wednesday in the IndyCar for Andretti at Barber Motorsports Park, Thursday, Friday and Saturday back at Sebring for practice, qualifying and the race. Next Wednesday, I'll be at St. Pete for the IndyCar Series opener. I can't wait to get started in the IndyCars. I feel very fortunate and appreciative that I am able to drive these sports cars as well as the IndyCars. It keeps me sharp in the cockpit. I feel fresh going into St. Pete next week. I love coming back and racing with Level 5. It is a great team. It's a great environment and it is becoming routine to come to Sebring each year. I really enjoy Sebring. It is my home track and we are looking to defend our win from last year (in LMP2).

**E.J. Viso (#06-PC Oreca FLM09)** "I'm very excited to be here. This is something that was very last minute. I just got a call last week asking if I wanted to do this race and, of course, I didn't want to miss this opportunity. I know one part of the track here at Sebring, the back section (from IndyCar testing). The rest of the track was completely new to me. And racing these cars is also new to me. So far I am having a blast. This race has a great atmosphere here. I have seen a lot of familiar faces from my days of racing in Europe. I am having a lot of fun and I hope this will be the first of many here at Sebring. There are fans and motorhomes everywhere around this track. It is fun to see."

**Andre Lotterer (#1-P1 Audi R18)** Overall pole winner, "This is my first time to the Sebring race, but not the Sebring track as we have tested here before. It is better to come here during the race weekend. This a little more action and it is great to see so many people. It is a great atmosphere. We were here in December for testing so we knew a little bit about the new front straight wall going into Turn 1. This is the last race for the R18 so it is an emotional car for the drivers as we move to the new Audi. It feels good to come to a legendary race like Sebring to compete with the car one more time. Hopefully the car will finish very nicely tomorrow for us. (On his stop-and-go penalty) I had a little stressful incident with the pit lane penalty. Usually the pit limiter is always on, but it wasn't that time. That was my mistake for not noticing. It didn't really make my life more difficult. The car ran great and I was able to get in a good lap. This pole is really nice for the staff as the guys work so hard to prepare for this race. This is a nice reward for the mechanics who work on the car. I wasn't perfect at turns 13 and 15 so I didn't think I would be that fast. You usually need a near perfect lap for the pole. Looks like the rest of the lap was better than I expected."



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**Klaus Graf** (#6-P1 HPD ARX-03a) Pole in winner ALMS P1, "Obviously, the team is getting acclimated to the new car. A new car is always a lot of work. This is an all-new car so that a bit of challenge. So everyone involved such as Wirth Research, HPD and the Muscle Milk Pickett Racing have put a lot of effort into it for this event. It was a big effort to first get the car running, then testing and how to set up. And now this is a reward for us including our partners, Michelin, with the tires. (On the Muscle Milk Pickett Racing effort) It is a small team for a 12-hour race. This gives us motivation for the whole team. Our team has worked more than 100 hours since we got here on Saturday. It is so hard to prepare these cars for a race like this one since they are so new."

**Olivier Pla** (#24-P2 Morgan/Judd) pole winner in WEC P2, "I had a chance to test here before, so I had a pretty good idea of the circuit. So I was really looking forward to racing here. The car is amazing. We had an incident on Monday and our team did a great job to get the car back and ready to go. The car felt perfect in qualifying."

**Christophe Bouchut** (#055-P2 HPD ARX-03b) (On his T1 crash) "I had to decide to do something, so I tried to go to the left, but I hit the wall and I spun. From my perspective, at that time, there was nothing else I could do, or else the car would have hit me and then it would have been worse than what happened. The exit of this pit lane is dangerous and we need some help from the drivers when anyone is coming on to the track. Everybody has to watch their mirrors. Especially in qualifying-you have nothing to win on your first lap."

**David Stone**, Level 5 Motorsports Team Manager (Assessing the damage from the No. 055 crash) "We've had a little bit closer look at the car and HPD came to me and told me they have a spare engine cover which is good news, because ours is totally destroyed. We have a rear tail. The guys are getting some of the more mechanical parts stripped down to take a look. At the moment, I don't have 100 percent certainty (of making the race), but I feel pretty good. I know the guys can put the labor and effort in to get it back together. If we don't get tricked by not having a critical part, then I think we'll have it back together."

**Bruno Junqueira** (#9-PC Oreca FLM09) Pole winner in PC, "This pole gives our team some good morale for this race. The team told me to be patient and bring the car home and we will be fine. This is the first time I have driven this car. I love it. (Adjusting to PC) On the first lap, I felt the brakes and they were great. They really worked well. So I said, 'Hey, it's race time. So let's go.' And the car was great. Now, we are ready for the race. It should be exciting."

**Dominik Farnbacher** (#58-GTE-AM Ferrari F458 Italia) "The car was quite good. We didn't have a lot of time to make a good setup because the main focus was preparing my amateur drivers for that race and find a good setup for them. We finally found a good setup that suits us all so it was quite a good run and I drove as good as I could. (Returning to Sebring) "My first Sebring race was in 2004 and it really impressed me because in Europe we do not have such bumpy racetracks like here. The first year after I did it, I really felt it in my back at the end of the race and I still do. (The 64-car grid) "This is going to be one for the history books. It is the biggest field ever and the toughest one to beat."

**Sean Edwards** (#30-GTC Porsche 911 GT3 Cup) "It is a really difficult track and the team has put together a good car. There is not a huge amount we can adjust on the GTC cars so it is just about putting a lap together. (Managing traffic) "It is going to be tough. You are going to see quite a battle out there. And with the traffic of 64 cars, it is going to be tough. You've got to keep your nose clean. Stay out of trouble in the first 10 hours and then see where you are."



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**Gianmaria Bruni** (#51-GT Ferrari F458 GT) (On qualifying choice) “We chose something different for tires and they take more laps to come together. GT this year is a real fighting class –very good. The level is getting higher and higher and we have been working so hard to be there and it is a good starting point for Ferrari and AF Corse, for sure. It will be a good fight tomorrow. Hopefully we can last for all 12 hours and make a great maneuver for the spectators to enjoy the racing.”

**Jan Magnussen** (#03-GT Corvette C6-ZR1) “For sure there is a lot of difference -- 2.5 seconds difference (between last year’s and this year’s Corvette). It is a big step forward for the category, but I think it is evenly matched. I don’t think we made the best of (qualifying) at the time, but we made the best of it at the end. It is super competitive and we have to be 100 percent every time we go out. Qualifying is the first time for everyone to show what they can really do and I think it will be 12 hours of really hard racing. (About the race) “I expect strong competition from everyone. Qualifying is one thing, but the 12 Hours of Sebring is another thing. You push every time you can. You have to be there at the end. There are a lot of guys trying to start the year off on a good note.”

**Bruno Junqueira** (#9-PC Oreca FLM09) “It feels really good and I can’t explain how happy I am to be here with an equal car and chance to fight for pole and today I have to thank our team for giving me the opportunity. Today I knew if I drove good, I would get a shot and every lap I got better. I was very happy.”

**Olivier Pla** (#24-P2 Morgan/Judd) “Yesterday evening my engineers did a fantastic job over the night to change the setup and my car was perfect today. I am willing to push hard here and I have to thank my team for everything.”

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