



Audi Sport customer racing update

## Audi Sport customer racing teams complete the first IMSA races of 2021 at the Rolex 24 At Daytona race weekend.

- ► Audi RS 3 LMS SEQ wins the IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge TCR category
- ▶ The GS class Audi R8 LMS GT4 teams show promising results
- ► NTE Sport and the Audi R8 LMS GT3 overcome challenges throughout the race

HERNDON, Va., February 3, 2021 – The Audi RS 3 LMS SEQ competed for the first time in the IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge and finishes first in class. This is the third win for the Audi RS 3 LMS at Daytona International Speedway's 3.56 mile long track in the last 4 years. All three Audi R8 LMS GT4 teams reached the top of the field in the GS class but bad luck relegated them to mid-pack finishes. NTE Sport team shows no end to their fighting spirit throughout the twice around the clock event.

NTE Sport finished 15th in the IMSA WeatherTech GTD class at the Rolex 24 At Daytona. The team had only a short time to prepare for the race after committing to enter shortly after the new year. The late entry meant the team would have significantly less time to prepare the car for the most challenging endurance race in North America. Andrew Davis (Silver), J.R. Hildebrand (Gold), Alan Metni (Bronze), and Don Yount (Bronze) became more comfortable with the car as the weekend progressed. The team and drivers showed poise and control throughout the race as they overcame numerous challenges and constant track traffic.

Andrew Davis and Michael McCann qualified second in the IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge race at Daytona. At one point the McCann Audi R8 LMS GT4 led the field in the 4 hour race but they eventually finished eleventh after experiencing a communication malfunction with the in-car radio.

Fast MD Racing's first GS class race confirmed the Audi R8 LMS GT4 can be competitive right out of the gate. The team qualified an impressive third place with Alex Papadopoulos behind the wheel. During the race, the final stint was completed by James Vance. Vance pushed up the field but was called for a drive through penalty which sent the team to the back. Pushing hard, and with major leg cramping, Vance was able to finish twelfth.

Carbahn Motorsports with Peregrine Racings #93 Audi R8 LMS GT4 finished 17th overall. The driver trio with youngster Nolan Siegel, Tom Dyer, and Tyler McQuarrie started the race in sixth position. Sixteen year old Nolan Siegel was extremely impressive in his first professional race debut. Siegel held his ground through his stint turning the car over to McQuarrie in fifth position. An unexpected tire failure happened shortly after Dyer took the wheel causing the team to drop to the back of the field.

The JDC-Miller MotorSport Unitronic Audi RS 3 LMS SEQ was victorious in its race debut. This win now marks the third win in four years at Daytona for Audi. The car piloted by Mikey Taylor, Chris Miller, and William Tally qualified fourth in the TCR class. During the race, the SEQ race car remained mid-pack until the final hour when Taylor drove to the checkered flag. The win marks another first for Audi with this SEQ win in IMSA competition.

Road Shagger Racing was involved in an unfortunate accident during the race. Gavin Ernstone and Jon Morley, last year's Daytona winners, were unable to repair the car causing the team to DNF. Two late entries rounded out the TCR field. AOA Racing finished 7th in the TCR class. Rockwell Autosport Development finished 10th.

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ROAR BEFORE	JAN 22 - 24
DAYTONA INTERNATIONAL SPEEDWAY 24 HR.	JAN. 27 - 31
SEBRING INTERNATIONAL RACEWAY 12 HR.	MAR 17 – 20
MID-OHIO SPORTS CAR COURSE 2 HR., 40 MIN.	MAY 14 - 16
DETROIT GRAND PRIX 1 HR., 40 MIN	JUNE 4 - 5
SIX HOURS OF THE GLEN 6 HR.	JUNE 24 - 27
CTMP SPORTSCAR GRAND PRIX 2 HR., 40 MIN.	JULY 2 - 4
LIME ROCK PARK 2 HR., 40 MIN.	JULY 16 - 18
ROAD AMERICA 2 HR., 40 MIN.	AUG. 6 - 8
VIRGINIA INTERNATIONAL RACEWAY 2 HR., 40 MIN.	AUG. 20 - 22
WEATHERTECH RACEWAY LAGUNA SECA 2 HR., 40 MIN.	SEPT. 10 - 12
GRAND PRIX OF LONG BEACH 100 MIN.	SEPT. 24 - 26
PETIT LE MANS AT MICHELIN RACEWAY ROAD ATLANTA 10 HR.	OCT. 6 - 9

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