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The Sebring Grand Prix hosts the third race of the revised IMSA schedule

- ► Team Hardpoint's GT3 entry is prepped and ready for the second sprint race
- ► Two Audi R8 LMS GT4 teams scheduled to compete in the return of the Michelin Pilot Challenge series
- ▶ Four Audi RS 3 LMS DSG race cars set to defend their 1-2-3 Daytona finish

Columbia, SC, July 14, 2020 – Twenty nine IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship race cars will meet in Sebring, FL, this weekend for the second round of the sprint series. The Michelin Pilot Challenge returns to competition with twenty five entries in the competitive two class series. For the first time since Daytona, both series will compete at the celebrated venue.

Team Hardpoint's GT3 effort is now in full swing. After completing their objectives at the Daytona sprint race on the 4th of July, the team has collected valuable data and experience moving into the race weekend. Rob Ferriol and his crew will now hit the reset button as they descend upon Sebring International Raceway. Together with their GT4 effort, both team and driver pairing will be tested in the first weekend of competition where they will compete in both weekend races.

"The GT3 is like the GT4 on fast-forward. Similar chassis balance, identical cockpit, only much, much faster. I'm confident that over the long term, the double duty will be a net positive. The GT4 rewards momentum, which will provide an even bigger reward when paired with the power and downforce of the GT3. The GT3 rewards deep brake zones and big speed, which will have me pushing the GT4 even harder. The trick, however, will be getting myself trained to make the transition quickly and not take too long to get acclimated to the car of the moment," said Rob Ferriol, Team Principal at Team Hardpoint.

CarBahn with Peregrine Racing returns to the grid with Jeff Westphal and Tyler McQuarrie behind the wheel of the #39 race car and Mark Siegel and Tom Dyer in the #93. The defending Team and Driver Champions in car #39 are currently sitting in 4th place overall with nine races remaining. Along with Team Hardpoint's GT4 effort, with drivers Ferriol and Pumpelly, Audi enters the race weekend 2nd in the Manufactures Championship. McCann Racing's GT4 campaign will be paused this weekend and will return at the Road America race weekend in August.

Daytona TCR class winners Gavin Ernstone and Jon Morley head into Sebring as the Team and Driver point Championship leaders. Road Shagger Racing made a late charge last season and continued the trend into the 2020 season. Fast MD with Speed Syndicate will enter two Audi RS 3 LMS race cars at Sebring International Raceway. Mikey Taylor, formally a lead instructor at the Audi performance drive AMP location, will pair with Michael McCarthy in the #32 car. Faulkner and Vance will field the #23 in the second Audi. Michael Johnson and Stephen Simpson, long time Audi RS 3 LMS IMSA competitors, will finalize the Audi grid in the #54 JDC-Miller MotorSports TCR.

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