



Audi Teams on the podium at Lime Rock Park PWC SprintX race weekend

HERNDON, Virginia, May 31, 2017 – Magnus Racing in the Audi R8 LMS finds its first PWC win. The C360R Audi RS 3 LMS USA Clubsport and driver Paul Holton continue to push for the TC Championship.

Magnus Racing achieved its first win at Lime Rock Park during the Pirelli World Challenge SprintX race weekend. Spencer Pumpelly/Dane Cameron won the second race in the Audi Tire Center Audi R8 LMS. Decisive pit strategy and solid racing by Cameron handed the team the lead by the halfway point. Pumpelly finished the race with another stellar performance as he finished ahead of the field marking their first overall win. In the first race, this driver combination finished second overall. Similarly, a strong run by the No. 44 Audi Tire Center Audi R8 LMS of John Potter and Andrew Davis would net a weekend-best fourth-place finish.

“We couldn’t be happier with the results for the No. 4 team,” stated Magnus Racing team owner and co-driver John Potter. “Our first win in the Pirelli World Challenge is something we’ve been chasing after all year, so to finally achieve at a place like Lime Rock is very satisfying. Spencer and Dane proved strong all week, and it’s something everyone on the team has been striving for. For our No. 44 effort, it was great having Andrew with us and we’re of course always after a podium, but we walked away with a clean car and continued to learn a lot.”

The C360R Audi RS 3 LMS with driver Paul Holton continued their championship season at the Lime Rock Park double race weekend. Holton put the Audi Genuine Parts RS 3 LMS on pole in the first race and finished second overall with the fastest lap. Starting on pole again in the second race, Holton lost several positions early-on and was unable to pursue the leaders due to an extended yellow flag period. With five minutes to go Holton pushed the Audi RS3 LMS to the limit finishing second. C360R continues to find success and will receive Audi Genuine Parts contingency funds for finishing in the top 3.

“Coming in to Lime Rock, we thought the BMWs might have a slight edge on our RS 3 LMS,” remarked C360R Driver Paul Holton. “Then Elivan (Goulart) was listed as a last-minute entry in the Lotus, and we knew we were going to have a battle on our hands. In race one on Friday, I tried everything to get by him, but the Lotus is so small, you can’t really get a draft. Then on Saturday for race two, I had the chance to make a big move up to second past Cody (Ellesworth’s) Porsche on the last lap. So we’re pretty happy to come out of Lime Rock with two second-place finishes, and a bigger lead in the championship standings as we head into the summer PWC break.”

Audi Sport customer racing achieved much success at Lime Rock Park. In each race, an Audi was on the podium or on pole. A well-deserved win for Magnus Racing and continued success for the Audi RS 3 LMS proves Audi is a strong competitor in the PWC paddock.

“ASCr is delighted with our results this weekend,” remarked Brad Kettler, Director of Operations, Audi Sport customer racing. “Our teams were well prepared for the challenge at Lime Rock Park. Congratulations to Magnus Racing for winning SprintX GT race 2 and to the C360R team for a pair of excellent second place finishes in the TC class. Keeping Audis competitive and well supported makes us proud and we look forward to more spirited competition at the next rounds!”

The next SprintX race weekend is August 11-13 at Utah Motorsport Campus. Join Magnus Racing June 23-25 at Road America for the next Sprint race weekend. Please visit www.world-challenge.com for race information and broadcast/steaming schedules.

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