

## ROUND 8 SPIELBERG AUSTRIA



# ALL TIMES LOCAL GMT +2 FRIDAY 08 JULY

**11:05** Free Practice

**15:55** Qualifying Session 30 min.

**18:50** Press Conference



17:55 Sprint Race

**28 Laps** 45 min. +1 Lap

Grid set by reversing Top 10 of Qualifying Results

**19:05** Press Conference





**40 Laps** 60 min. +1 Lap

Grid set by Qualifying Results

**11:80** Press Conference

## THE STORY SO FAR



It was the weekend of the rookies last time out in Silverstone with Logan Sargeant and Jack Doohan both claiming maiden wins in the second tier and proving they have what it takes to challenge their upperclassmen in the Standings. Meanwhile, Felipe Drugovich took home two points finishes to maintain a slightly decreased 42-point Championship lead.

Sargeant got his weekend off to a flying start in Free Practice, the American driver laying down the gauntlet for the 22-strong field with a session topping time of 1:40.902. Drugovich narrowly missed out on the top spot, his best effort just 0.037s off the pace, as Doohan rounded out the top three.

It was a familiar name at the top of the timesheets in Qualifying, with Sargeant sealing his first pole in the second tier, and his third at Silverstone having collected backto-back poles at the British circuit in Formula 3 in 2020. Frederik Vesti out-qualified his ART Grand Prix teammate to claim second ahead of Drugovich, who took third place. Virtuosi Racing's Doohan was in a class of his own in the Sprint Race on Saturday, mastering drying track conditions to collect his first win in Formula 2. Fellow rookie, Ayumu Iwasa, drove his DAMS from sixth on the grid to second at the flag, and Charouz Racing



System's Enzo Fittipaldi completed the podium, collecting his second rostrum finish of the season.

Sunday saw Sargeant prove why he's a force to be reckoned with in the Feature Race, claiming a maiden win and becoming the first-ever American driver to stand on the top step of the podium in Formula 2. Théo Pourchaire re-ignited his campaign with a second-place finish after a weekend to forget in Baku, and Liam Lawson surged home to third to make it a double Carlin podium at the team's home race.

## THE CHALLENGERS

At the halfway point of the season, Felipe Drugovich retains his lead at the top of the Championship, with 42 points separating him from second-placed Théo Pourchaire. Logan Sargeant moves up to third, just 18 points behind the Frenchman. Jehan Daruvala and Liam Lawson are fourth and fifth with 80 and 59 points respectively.



In the Teams' standings, MP Motorsport continues to lead the way with 170 points, but are now just 10 points clear of ART Grand Prix, who move up to second. Carlin are third with 147 points, ahead of PREMA Racing and Hitech Grand Prix, who are fourth and fifth respectively.



Roberto Merhi Joins Campos Racing this week, replacing

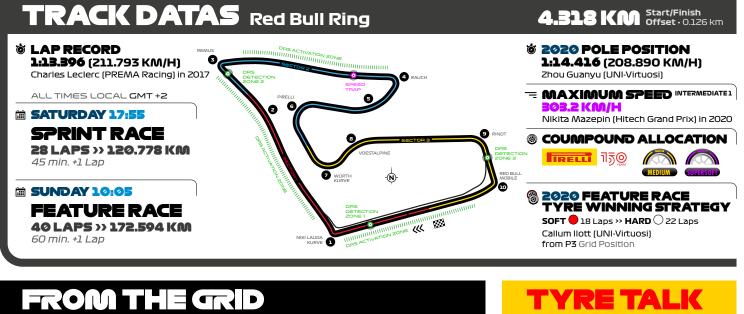
Ralph Boschung until the Swiss driver fully recovers from an on-going neck injury.

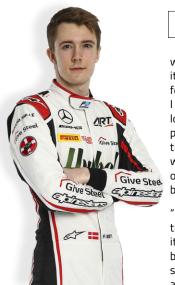
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"I am very much looking forward to driving at Spielberg this year. In the last three years I've driven there I've got the pole and the

#### Frederik VESTI ART Grand Prix

win. So, in terms of results, it's been a really great track for me. Other than that, since I was very young, I've spent a lot of time in Austria, and we previously had a family house there. I just love Austria and I would even like to live there one day! So, I can't wait to go back.

"In a way, it's a very simple track, but that also means it becomes very difficult because all the cars are very similar. All the lap times are within a few tenths of a second in Qualifying and in the race, so you really need to do a good job and a clean lap to be able to do the pole position. So, it's simple, it's quite an easy track, but because of that it makes it incredibly close, and you need to be doing a really good job.

"Red Bull Ring is one of the easier tracks for tyre management because it has not a lot of corners and a lot of straight lines. But for sure, we still need to do a good job and make sure we're on top of our game in terms of tyre management.

"In terms of overtaking, I think you can set it up during Turn 1 and then you can make it stick in Turn 3, and if you don't make it work at Turn 3 you have another shot in Turn 4. So overtaking is pretty OK, it's not the easiest track, but it's pretty good due to the three or four long straights."

### **Mario ISOLA**

Pirelli Motorsport Director

"The Red Bull Ring is a fairly straightforward circuit with not so many corners the most demanding



for the tyres are the two consecutive left-handers in the middle of the lap, with every other major corner being right-handed. We have nominated the P Zero Yellow medium and P Zero Purple supersoft tyres, which is the more aggressive of the two different combinations we used during the double header in 2020, when Formula 2 last went to Austria. The extra step between these compounds will ensure a notable performance difference around the short lap and a greater variation between the available strategy options."

## TAT PACK



After Logan Sargeant and Jack Doohan's maiden wins in Silverstone, the two rookies added their names to a rostrum of 11 race winners on the current Formula 2 grid.



Felipe Drugovich has the most points finishes of any driver, collecting points from 13 of 14 races so far this season.



After just seven rounds MP Motorsport have collected more podiums so far this season (6), and more points (170) than in any season previously



Six drivers from five different teams featured on the podium in Silverstone, while eight out of ten teams scored points.



The lap record at the Red Bull Ring is 1:13.396, set by Charles Leclerc with PREMA Racing in 2017.



lust one driver from this year's grid, Marcus Armstrong, has stood on the red Bull Ring F2 podium at the 4.3<sup>18</sup> KM long circuit.

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## 2022 STANDINGS

## **DRIVER STANDINGS**

POS.	DRIVER	SPRINT₽	FEATURE₽	PTS	SHUFFLE
1.	Felipe Drugovich		ЗΨ	148	=
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	Jehan Daruvala				1
5.	Liam Lawson	<b>1</b> ¶		59	+5
6.	Marcus Armstrong	<b>1</b> ¶		59	=
7.	Jüri Vips			59	=
8.	Jack Doohan <sup>R</sup>			57	+1
9.	Enzo Fittipaldi			56	1
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12.	Richard Verschoor			42	1
13.	Ayumu Iwasa R			38	+1
	Ralph Boschung				1
15.	Clément Novalak R			22	=
16.	Jake Hughes				=
	Roy Nissany				=
18.	Marino Sato				=
19.	Calan Williams <sup>R</sup>				=
20.	David Beckmann				=
	Cem Bölükbaşı R				=
	Olli Caldwell R				=
23.	Amaury Cordeel R				=

### **TEAM STANDINGS**

POS. TEAM	SPRINT₽	FEATURE₽	PTS	SHUFFLE
1. MP Motorsport	1聖	3¥	170	=
2. ART Grand Prix				
3. Carlin			147	+2
4. PREMA Racing			135	2
5. Hitech Grand Prix			118	1
6. Virtuosi Racing			63	+1
7. Charouz Racing System			60	1
8. DAMS				
9. Trident			47	1
10. Campos Racing			34	=
11. Van Amersfoort Racing			16	=
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	SEAS	50N RECAP		POLE POSITION	SPRINT RACE WINNER ₽	FASTEST LAP ⊕ FL BONUS POINT	FEATURE RACE WINNER $\Psi$	FASTEST LAP ⊕ FL BONUS POINT
ı	18-20 March	Bahrain International Circuit	AA	Jack <b>DOOHAN</b> Virtuosi Racing	Richard VERSCHOOR Trident	Amaury <b>CORDEEL</b> Van Amersfoort Racing	ART Grand Prix	Jüri <b>VIPS</b> Hitech Grand Prix
Z	25-27 March	Jeddah SAUDI ARABIA Jeddah Corniche Circuit		Felipe <b>DRUGOVICH</b> MP Motorsport	Liam <b>LAWSON</b> Carlin	Jüri <b>VIPS</b> Hitech Grand Prix	Felipe <b>DRUGOVICH</b> MP Motorsport	Jack DOOHAN Virtuosi Racing
3	22-24 April	Autodromo Enzo e Dino Ferrari		Jüri <b>VIPS</b> Hitech Grand Prix	Marcus <b>ARMSTRONG</b> Hitech Grand Prix	Jüri <b>VIPS</b> Hitech Grand Prix	Théo <b>POURCHAIRE</b> ART Grand Prix	Jehan <b>DARUVALA</b> PREMA Racing
4	20-22 May	Circuit de Barcelona-Catalunya	Ċ	Jack <b>DOOHAN</b> Virtuosi Racing	Felipe <b>DRUGOVICH</b> MP Motorsport	Felipe DRUGOVICH MP Motorsport	Felipe DRUGOVICH MP Motorsport	Jack DOOHAN Virtuosi Racing
5	26-29 May	Circuit de Monaco	P	Felipe <b>DRUGOVICH</b> MP Motorsport	Dennis <b>HAUGER</b> PREMA Racing	Jack DOOHAN Virtuosi Racing	Felipe DRUGOVICH MP Motorsport	Richard VERSCHOOR Trident
6	10-12 June	Baku AZERBALJAN Baku City Circuit	<u>C</u>	Jüri <b>VIPS</b> Hitech Grand Prix	Frederik <b>VESTI</b> ART Grand Prix	Dennis <b>HAUGER</b> PREMA Racing	Dennis HAUGER PREMA Racing	Jüri <b>VIPS</b> Hitech Grand Prix
7	01-03 July	Silverstone GREAT BRITAIN Silverstone Circuit	R)	Logan <b>SARGEANT</b> Carlin	Jack <b>DOOHAN</b> Virtuosi Racing	Ayumu IWASA DAMS	Logan <b>SARGEANT</b> Carlin	David <b>BECKMANN</b> Van Amersfoort Racing
8	08-10 July	Red Bull Ring	B		:	:		:
9	22-24 July	Le Castellet FRANCE Circuit Paul Ricard	and the second s	:	1	:		:
10	29-31 July		Ŋ	:	:	:	· ·	:
11	26-28 August	Spa-Francorchamps BELGIUN Circuit de Spa-Francorchamps	R	:	1	:		:
12	02-04 September	Circuit Zandvoort NETHERLANDS	(ha		:	:		:
13	09-11 September	Autodromo Nazionale Monza	Ļ		:	:		:
14	18-20 November	Yas Island ABU DHABI, UAE Yas Marina Circuit	AV -		•	:	:	:

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