

Formula Palmer Audi – Winter Championship

Round One – 12 laps

An accident on lap two involving Eric Groes and Gideon Cresswell caused the red flags to be displayed and the race was restarted over 12 laps, both drivers were OK but Eric Groes was a little shaken. Robert Huff was the main driver to lose out as he made an awesome getaway to take the lead at the first corner from 3rd on the grid.

The cars reformed on the grid in their original start positions and Huff was unable to repeat his excellent start. Jaroslav Janis got away cleanly and led the pack into turn one. Phil Giebler had Huff on his outside at the first corner. He held his place, but only until the Esses when the British driver moved ahead into 2nd place. Paul Parsons was quickly moving up from his 9th place starting position. By lap 3 he was into 6th place and chasing Rob Jenkinson and Peter Walsh. The Scot was soon past these two drivers into 4th place and was chasing down Phil Giebler at the flag.

The race belonged to Janis, who punched the air with delight as he crossed the line. He was all smiles as he collected his winners trophy, “On the first start I pulled too much wheel spin as I revved the engine too much. I learnt for the second start and it was much better. I like the car better in the dry and by the 5th lap I just concentrated on getting to the end of the race, I was really focused. I also forgot about using the boost button until mid way through the race, I’m just not used to having that. That helped me pull away from the rest of the field. I am really pleased to take this win for Coca Cola, for me and for the Czech Republic.”

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1	4	Jaroslav JANIS	CZE	Coca Cola	13:12.071	
2	11	Robert HUFF	GBR	Westly & Huff	13:14.824	+2.753
3	8	Phil GIEBLER	USA	Team USA	13:16.200	+4.129
4	9	Paul PARSONS	GBR	atlantic	13:16.697	+4.626
5	7	Peter WALSH	IRL	Kart World	13:17.102	+5.031
6	79	Rob JENKINSON	GBR	Caterham Cars	13:18.512	+6.441
7	5	Joey HAND	USA	Team USA	13:25.828	+13.757
8	6	Joshua REHM	USA	Inside F1	13:39.094	+27.023
9	86	Chris DREDGE	GBR	Applied Racing Tech.	13:40.014	+27.943
10	10	Anthony SWAN	GBR	SW Film Studios	13:40.634	+28.563
11	22	Ben LEWIS	GBR	Building Environmental	13:41.735	+29.664
12	45	Robert CALISI	CAN	Durabond	13:58.660	+46.589
13	17	Peter LE BAS	IRL	Le Bas International	14:03.647	+51.576
14	27	Gian M. GABBIANI	ITA	Want Model M'gement	14:08.938	+56.867
15	2	David JOSEPH	GBR	Sun Microsystems	14:09.330	+57.259
16	77	Ben ROPER	GBR	Upper Lanes Farm	14:10.146	+58.075

Not Classified

17	25	Rob LOFTING	GBR	SpecSavers	Lap 8
18	14	Emmet O'BRIEN	IRL		Lap 1

Fastest Lap: 7 Peter Walsh IRL 1:04.855 108.35mph