

PS Racing's Maxx Ebenal storms to pole for Asia Formula Renault R6&7; Ebenal takes podium for R6 while Guillaume Cunningham dominates Masters

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Without a doubt, PS Racing has distinguished itself in Asia Formula Renault thanks to the amazing results of Canadian driver Maxx Ebenal and French Formula Renault pilot Guillaume Cunningham.

Ebenal stormed to pole position for Rounds 6&7 this morning, while Guillaume Cunningham was an entire second ahead in the Master's Class qualifying.

Both of the drivers got off to amazing race starts for today's Round 1 race, while PS Racing's Sebastien Mailloux passed no less than five cars to fly up the grid.

However, luck wasn't on the side of PS Racing today as Mailloux spun in T9 and Cunningham flew off of T14 in dramatic fashion at over 175kph after a hard charge up the grid from P9 to P5 in only a few laps.

Maxx Ebenal was leading the race by over 3 seconds by lap 3 while gaining over a second a lap, until the safety car restart midway through the race. After the restart, GP3 driver and Formula Renault UK Champion Alice Powell managed to pass 3rd place driver Yosuke Yamazaki for 2nd place, behind Ebenal. With Ebenal still leading the field with only 1 lap to go, technical issues struck Ebenal and he slowed down just enough to let Powell and Yamazaki past, with Ebenal taking 3rd on the podium – and still enough to lead the 2014 AFR series for PS Racing.

"Yes I had a good lead, start to 'almost' finish" said Ebenal. "I had no doubt that I would be 1st on the podium until the engine started cutting in the corners. It was bad luck but as they say, 'that's racing' and these things happen. But I still have full confidence to win tomorrow for PS Racing. I have a great car, a great setup, great coaching. Special thanks to Pekka Saarinen, Mark Pivec, and Pete Olson for the coaching and setup advice. And lastly I want to dedicate this trophy to Don Meskis, my first formula car instructor at Bridgestone Racing Academy, who recently passed away. God bless his wife and son whom he leaves behind."

Current Masters Class Champion Guillaume Cunningham had a tough day after getting off to a fantastic race start and jumping up the field no less than 6 places in only two laps, in true F1 Kimi Raikkonen style. However, he flew off the track at high speed in T14 at over 175kph while leading the Masters Class.

"I am here to win, I've said that before and I will say again" said Cunningham. "After winning the first four races of the Masters, I was 3rd on the podium the last race in Sepang after a penalty – however I much prefer the top of the podium – this is proving something. I am not here for fun and games, I have something to prove, and I will prove it. As for today? I don't even want to talk about it. Let's see tomorrow."

Sunday's Race 2/Round 7 will commence at 3:15pm. Go to <http://www.facebook.com/psracingchampions> or <http://www.psracing.com> for the latest team updates.