

Race report about the first race in Mülheim 2018 – "Slotracing Mülheim"

From 20. -22.04.2018 the "LMP Pro Series" started its 4th season. For the first time the seasonal opening was in Mülheim. In Total the "LMP Pro Series" was guest in Mülheim for the 4th time.

Like always the nights were short and the parties great. In good society the community talked about the race days and anything else. Exactly this spirit of being together, is next to the original race, a big part from the "LMP Pro Series". As Organizer we are proud that new teams are integrated directly in this "family".

If all participants give their best, with the same goal, also difficult situations can be easily solved. In this case with a democratically voting from all teams. We are happy, that all teams made their decision objective, without personally feelings, for specify persons. Also important was, that finally all teams accepted the result direct.

As usual there was a practice day, beside the normal Race Center opening times. Also some teams used the Thursday befor the race for testing their new cars or just collecting more track experience.

The handout from the material and the technical inspections was, how it should be, well prepared by most of the teams - Thanks for this.

The complete grid was spectacular and from high quality. There were many possible winners for the "Best of Show" trophy.

The track was well prepared from the host. The track grip was constant from Thursday to Sunday. The lap times were on the same level then 2017. Last year we had two teams with a qualification time faster then 6,8s. This year the complete first group (top seven) was much faster. 2017 the first 15 teams were faster then 7,1s. This year the complete entry field were faster then 7,1s!

Result Qualification

Position	Team	Time
1	Plastikquäler 1	6,596
2	RLR	6,669
3	Plastikquäler 2	6,693
4	No Respect	6,694
5	LemUa Racing	6,701
6	MAC-Racing by Joker	6,711
7	Team Hobby 2000 by D&G	6,718
8	No Limits	6,809
9	Slotracing Mülheim 1	6,814
10	Slotracing Mülheim 2	6,817
11	GP-Slotracing	6,862
12	Sloefspeed 2	6,876
13	Jäger Team	6,888
14	Sloefspeed 1	6,925
15	Hobby 2000 Junior	6,982
16	RCT 1	7,000
17	Inox	7,011
18	SRCB	7,041
19	el.Dude Fa.R.T	7,073
20	SRCS	7,078

The "LMP Pro Series" becomes closer with every race. Often only thousands of a second makes the decision for a position. Showy, "LemUa Racing" from Finland drove one time more a magnificent qualification, while "Jägerteam" was under their possibilities despite a not correct fixed gear. Clear qualification victory for Sebastian. "PQ" were obviously back, ready to fight. For the first time the "Best of Show" trophy was won by Gregory Albrecht from "Sloefspeed 1" with an extravagant livery and paintjob.





<u>Race 1 – Mülheim – 2018</u>

Position		Rounds	Rounds	Position	Rounds	Position	Rounds	Position	Rounds
Total	Team	Penalty	Total	Day 1	Day 1	Day 2	Day 2	Day 3	Day 3
1	Plastikquäler 1		2238,67	1	762,06	4	724,76	1	751,85
2	Plastikquäler 2		2229,53	2	761,38	5	718,13	2	750,02
3	No Respect		2220,16	4	744,10	2	731,20	3	744,86
4	Team Hobby 2000 by D&G	-1,00	2218,57	6	739,93	1	741,93	4	737,71
5	RLR		2215,88	3	751,19	3	730,72	6	733,97
6	MAC-Racing by Joker		2175,89	5	742,19	6	715,94	10	717,76
7	LemUa Racing		2162,68	7	728,41	10	708,47	7	725,80
8	Slotracing Mülheim 1		2156,78	10	723,37	13	698,47	5	734,94
9	No Limits		2156,63	8	726,92	7	715,42	11	714,29
10	Jäger Team	-1,00	2131,73	14	704,86	8	709,72	9	718,15
11	Slotracing Mülheim 2		2129,74	12	709,04	12	701,50	8	719,20
12	GP-Slotracing		2125,62	9	723,53	9	708,94	18	693,15
13	Sloefspeed 2		2097,54	15	703,70	16	683,55	13	710,29
14	RCT 1		2095,51	13	704,88	15	685,40	15	705,23
15	Hobby 2000 Junior	-2,00	2081,07	18	683,41	14	693,45	14	706,21
16	SRCB		2070,68	16	695,06	19	662,51	12	713,11
17	SRCS		2058,65	17	690,06	18	670,11	16	698,48
18	el.Dude Fa.R.T		2034,44	11	709,54	17	679,90	20	645,00
19	Inox	-1,00	1990,13	19	666,11	20	629,93	17	695,09
20	Sloefspeed 1		1960,88	20	590,19	11	702,92	19	667,77

	Teamname	Driver	
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19	Inox	Franky Himler Günther Schlosser Michael Hüther	The basic speed from team "Inox" was much higher than last year. After a solid qualification Franky, Günther and Michael were optimistic for the race. A difficult driving car, trouble with the lights, lost front wheels and other smaller problems made some pit stops necessary. Position 19.
18 NISSAN NISSAN NISSAN NISSAN NISSAN NISSAN	el.Dude Fa.R.T	Bert van Dam Gabriel Inäbnit	After a superb 11. Position in the first race heat "el.Dude F.A.R.T." got trouble in the night. Positive the complete weekend Bert and Gabe were fast enough for a Top-10 result. They kept their good mood and will be back next race with their exotic Nissan GT/R LM. Position 18.



Patrick Swinnen **SRCS**

Patrick Huegens

For Patrick and Patrick it was the first race in Mülheim. During Qualification they missed position 19 by 0,005s. In the race "SRCS" were faster with every lap on the track. With a constant performance the Belgian team got finally Position 17.

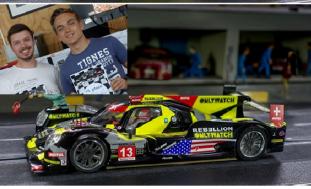


SRCB

Jean-Christophe Job

Robert Massart

The new Oreca 07 was not ready for this race. Too less time, cause next to his job for J-C. With a borrowed Oreca 03 from Cedric "SRCB" were able to drive the race. With this car J-C and Robert was in total on Position 16.



Hobby 2000 Junior Martin Salpetier

Geoffrey Cypers

For the first time Thomas could not show, his brother Geoffrey replaced him. The setup was ok, but not so perfect like usual. Also it was the first "LMP Pro Series" race overall for Geoffrey. Together with Martin "Hobby 2000 Junior" fought until the last second for every lap. In every race heat they drove more then 10 laps more. In the addition they occupied Position 15.

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14 30 30 S	RCT 1	Marcelino Herrero Aly Trausch	The new formed Team "RCT1" made a good impression during the practice day. Until the last race minute Aly and Matze fought with "Sloefspeed 2". Finally the gap was less then two laps. Nevertheless a good race for this Two. Position 14.
13 SKYASTI SKYASTI	Sloefspeed 2	Dirk Baele Kristof Huys	For the first time "Sloefspeed" showed with two team in the "LMP Pro Series". For Dirk and Kristof it was the first race in Mülheim. In contrast to the number 1 team, they had only small problems. In typical "Sloefspeed" style they increased the speed on sunday strongly. Finally they reached Position 13.
12	GP-Slotracing	Gregor Peiter Paul Peiter	Gregor built a nice and fast Alpine A470. After qualification position 11 father and sun was stable on Position 9 after the first two race heats. After a late motor change on Sunday they lost the safe top-10 position – That's racing. Position 12.



Slotracing Mülheim 2

Johannes Rhode

Andreas Buldt

Hendrik Behrens

The next premiere in "LMP Pro Series". Johannes as team captain and team mechanical. Thursday the cars were not allready, but the first rollout then was good. With good track knowledge Johannes, Hendrik and Andreas made a good job. Without trouble the drove a fine race. Position 11.



Jäger Team

Joachim Welsch

Yannick Horn

Daniel Waxweiler

The "Jägerteam" started in 2018 with Daniel instead of Ralph. Close before end of practice they had a crash with their race car, so they choose the t-car for the race. After handout the car was slow, so the qualification was slower then expected. After this Yannick discovered the reason, the gear was not correct fixed to the axle. In the race they hunted and got the best possible result. With 2 laps in front of position 11 and 25 laps missing to Position 9 they reached Position 10.



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No Limits

Peter Oberbillig

Janine Oberbillig

Chris Urban

Already on the official practice day "No Limits" was really strong. The complete new Lola was optical and technical a big step forward.

Finally they missed Position 8 by only 0,15 laps. After Peter and Janine missed the top-10 last season even on the home track in Trier, regardless Position 9 was a fine success.



Slotracing Mülheim 1 Thomas Reich

Norbert Kelker

Thomas is missing every year a bit of luck in his "LMP Pro Series" home race. After fabulous lap times in practice, the car was stable, but slower then expected, during the race. Norbert and Thomas fought courageous.

When broken lights made a pit stop inevitable, they decide to change the motor, also. After this they showed a great comeback with Position 5 on Sunday and 8 overall.



Ville Taalikka

Ville Ruola

Jussi Kokki

Markus Nukari

Like last season "LemUa Racing" showed more then great qualification (position 5). Indeed really every team wished them such a success also for the race, but nearly nobody thought this will be possible. The Three always good mood finish guys made a fantastic race job, so all doubters had to go silent - A well deserved Position 7 in total.



MAC-Racing by Joker Marcel Czibulinski

Christian Letzner

2017 Marcel found a reliable teampartner and mechnical with Chris.

Chris had no practical knowledge with this race class, so last season was for learning. With a complete new car this was the day of the truth. In the qualification the first exclamation mark, Position 6. In the race "Mac-Racing by Joker" confirmed this good performance even over the distance.

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Alexander Ortmann

Nick de Wachter

"RLR" showed with a nice built new body and the championchip chassis from 2017 for the race. The performance from the car was also similar to 2017. Position 3 seemed save, but for more Alex and Nick missed performace in the car. They placed all on one card with a motor change on Sunday. After this they were a bit faster, but by far less then hoped. Position 5.



Team Hobby 2000 by D&G Cédric Gridelet

Didier Ronvaux

Gilles Dohogne

"Team Hobby 2000 by D&G" started the new season with two goals: They want to be constant in the fast group and conquer back the title "best Belgian team". For the season opening Cedric, Didier and Gilles reached these. Also they finished the night heat with a victory. Overall they missed the podium with 1,5 laps. Position 4.



No Respect

Roland Moritsch

Friedrich Hauk

"No Respect" are unbelievable well prepared for every race. Nobody drove so many laps on Thursday and Friday, like Fritz and Roland. Mistakes and technical defects during the race are nearly zero, so the pure race speed decides the race position.

According Roland "No Respect" has often the slowest car in the faster group. The third podium in a row speaks another language. Congratulation to a deserved Position 3.



Plastikquäler 2

Konstantin Müller

Kai-Ole Stracke

For the first time Kai-Ole and Konstantin had to built the main part of their "LMP Pro Series" race car. They built the complete body and made the race preparation from the car. Basti prepared only the race chassis the days before the race.

After a good qualification "PQ2" were even faster in the race. They had the same speed then"PQ1". A unlucky broken guide during the night, costed all chances fort the first victory. Position 2.



Plastikguäler 1

Christian Schnitzler

Basti and Jan was hard working during the winter break. Despite all detail improvement, you never know the real car performance, before the car is complete race ready. Sebastian Nockemann The rollout from both new Oreca 07 on Thursday was without any problem. On Friday Chris was direct happy with the car. With a strong qualification Sebastian showed impressively "PQ is back". From the pure race performance no other team could follow both "PQ" teams. Also small problems in the night could not threaten the double victory. Position 1.

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During the races there is a live ticker, which still can be seen here: https://www.facebook.com/lmpproseriesliveticker

We hope to see you all back for the second race from the season on the legendary "Spa-Track".

Kind regards Joachim, Gerd und Sebastian

