

PRIVIEW



ROUND 9 SPA-FRANCORCHAMPS



ALL TIMES LOCAL **GMT +2**

FRIDAY

26 JULY

09:45

Free Practice

15:05 Qualifying Session

30 min.

18:20

Press Conference

5ATURDAY

27 JULY

09:50 Sprint Race

12 LAPS >> 83.924 KM 40 min. +1 Lap

Grid set by reversing Top 12 of Qualifying Results

10:55

Press Conference

SUNDAY

28 JULY

08:30 Feature Race

15 LAPS >> 104.936 KM

45 min. +1 Lap

Grid set by Qualifying Results

WHAT'S UP



Gabriele Minì retains the lead in the Drivers' **Championship** despite not scoring in Budapest. The PREMA Racing driver is on 119 points, four clear of his Hitech Pulse-Eight rival Luke Browning in second.

teammate His Arvid Lindblad also went scoreless at the Hungaroring but third on 113 points, with Trident's Leonardo Fornaroli just one point behind the Briton having finished the Budapest Feature Race in P3.

ART Grand Prix driver Christian Mansell is up to fifth in the Standings on 97 points ahead of PREMA's Dino Beganovic who finished on the podium in the Budapest Sprint Race, while Campos Racing's Oliver Goethe is seventh with 89 points.

In the Teams' Standings, PREMA Racing, now on 322 points, could seal the title this weekend if things go in their favour, with ART Grand Prix now just 97 points behind them in second.

Trident theoretically could also still win the title from third place and on 183 points, as could Campos Racing in fourth on 146.

FROM THE GRID

Nikita BEDRIN

AIX Racing

there is fun, because there are very long straights, a lot of opportunities for fighting, and of course the high speed second sector is very good. The weather also unpredictable because quite often it's raining. For sure to be quick there you must drive on the limit of the car, so

"For sure racing around

"The main place for overtaking is T1 and especially going to T5 after the long straights. You can still be side by side into the second sector but usually you bail out until the last chicane because there is also a big straight before

you need confidence to be

fast around there.

that, so most likely the last racing opportunities.

"You need to be super on the limit in the high-speed corners, you have to be good on braking because the straights are really big there, so you must prepare on exit and the second sector you just have to send it and hope the car

sure it's not small but it's

on the lower side than on the higher side from what I experienced last year. Even though we had Mediums which were quite difficult last year, we still managed them quite well in the race, it didn't drop off so much so it's not a circuit where you need to take care of the tyres a lot.

"I got a podium in the Feature Race last year, that was quite nice even though the weekend was going quite bad for me on the luck side. So, I was really happy to get a podium there, and usually I'm quite quick around that circuit so I have good expectations."

chicane the fighting starts again and it keeps going like that every lap, which is amazing. As a racing driver we like to race the most and that track similar to Monza gives the best

sticks. "Degradation is not as big as in other circuits. For

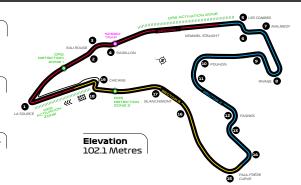
TRACK DATAS Circuit de Spa-Francorchamps 7.004 KM Start/Finish offset · 0.124 km

Ö LAP RECORD 2:05.125 (201.513 KM/H) Daruvala (PREMA Racing) in 2019

© 2023 POLE POSITION 2:22.160 (177.366 KM/H) Martí (Campos Racing)

= MAXIMUM SPEED INTERMEDIATE 1

93.5 KM/H Beckmann (Trident) in 2020 Race 2



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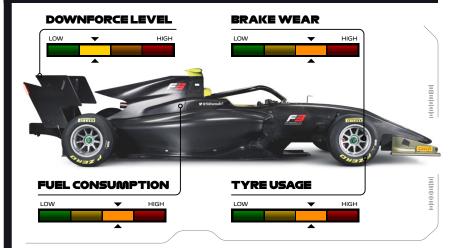




RACE STRATEGY



As is also the case with Formula 1 and Formula 2, the biggest unknown for the Formula 3 runners and their tyres centres on the fact that much of the track has been resurfaced. For the penultimate round of the season, Pirelli has chosen, in conjunction with the FIA and the promoter, the P Zero Yellow medium compound. The youngsters who will be tackling one of the most thrilling and challenging race tracks in the world, will have to manage the thermal degradation generated by the many corners on the track, some of the combinations such as Eau Rouge-Raidillon being totally unique, as it is hard to think of any other series of turns that is so demanding: a steep descent leading to a left hand corner which causes a major compression that pushes the car into the ground and then launches it uphill through a right and then left combination of turns. After that, the drivers, and indeed the tyres, can catch their breath down the long Kemmel straight. This description of just a small part of the track gives an idea of what a challenge the Spa circuit presents. It will also be important to know how to deal with any eventual graining. If it does arise, then whoever deals with it best, especially through the fastest corners, could have a significant advantage.



Spa brings a different type of test for the drivers and teams in terms of setup considering that the first and third sectors are largely flat out while the second is an incredibly high-speed section.

As a result, aerodynamic efficiency is key as while you want your car to be stable enough going through the corners in sector two, the teams will also be keen to make sure that their cars are fast in the straights.

Finding this balance is key as on such a long lap, it could lead to a loss in time that you might not be able to gain back, and that could be the difference between Qualifying in the top 12 and not.

STAT PACK

Arvid Lindblad's

four wins this season are the most of any driver on the grid.

Nikita Bedrin

and Tasanapol Inthraphuvasak's podiums in Budapest means 19 drivers have finished on the rostrum this season – the most of any Formula 3 campaign.

victory in the Sprint Race, it means all

With Bedrin's

10 teams have achieved at least one podium finish this year.

The pole-sitter

for the Feature Race has not won the last two years at Spa, with Zane Maloney winning from second in 2022 and Taylor Barnard from P10 in 2023.

PREVIOUS RESULTS

UND 8 THE BUDAPEST HUNGARY



PRACTICE

- 1. Boya Campos Racing
- 2. Stenshorne Hitech Pulse-Eight
- 3. Browning Hitech Pulse-Eight



QUALIFYING

- 1. Van Hoepen ART Grand Prix
- 2. Tsolov ART Grand Prix
- 3. Fornaroli Trident



SPRINT RACE

- 1. Bedrin AIX Racing
- 2. Inthraphuvasak AIX Racing
- 3. Beganovic PREMA Racing



FEATURE RACE

- **1.** Tsolov ART Grand Prix
- 2. León Van Amersfoort Racing
- 3. Fornaroli Trident















2024 STANDINGS

DRIVER STANDINGS

POS. DRIVER	SPRINT₹	FEATURE₹	PTS	SHUFFLE
1. Gabriele Minì		1Ψ	119	
2. Luke Browning		2Ψ	115	+1
3. Arvid Lindblad ROOKIE	2Ψ	2Ψ	113	1
4. Leonardo Fornaroli			112	=
5. Christian Mansell				
6. Dino Beganovic				
7. Oliver Goethe	1¥		89	2
8. Nikola Tsolov				
9. Tim Tramnitz R			54	+1
10. Laurens Van Hoepen			53	1
11. Noel León R			52	+2
12. Sami Meguetounif R				1
13. Mari Boya	1Ψ		41	1
14. Callum Voisin R				
15. Alexander Dunne				
16. Santiago Ramos R				
17. Martinius Stenshorne R				
18. Nikita Bedrin				
19. Sebastián Montoya				
20. Tommy Smith				
21. Charlie Wurz R				
22. Piotr Wiśnicki				
23. Tasanapol Inthraphuvas				+7
24. Matías Zagazeta R				2
25. Joseph Loake R				
26. Kacper Sztuka R				1
27. Max Esterson R				1
28. Sophia Flörsch				1
29. Cian Shields				1
30. Joshua Dufek R				1
31. James Wharton R				=
32. James Hedley R				=

TEAM STANDINGS

POS. TEAM	SPRINT₹	FEATURE	PTS	SHUFFLE
1. PREMA Racing	2Ψ	4¥	322	=
2. ART Grand Prix	2Ψ	1¥	225	=
3. Trident		1¥	. 183	=
4. Campos Racing	2Ψ		146	=
5. Hitech Pulse-Eight	1₩	2Ψ	141	Q
6. MP Motorsport				
7. Van Amersfoort Racing				
8. Rodin Motorsport				
9. AIX Racing	1¥		34	+1
10. Jenzer Motorsport			23	-1

EDIA PLATFORM

The FIA Formula 3 Media Kit and stats sheet are now available via our media platform, along with a selection of driver interviews.

FIA F3 MEDIA ASSETS CLICK HERE

SEAS	SON RECAP		POLE POSITION	SPRINT RACE WINNER Y	FASTEST LAP ⊕ FL BONUS POINTS	FEATURE RACE WINNER Y	FASTEST LAP • FL BONUS POINTS
1 29 Feb02 March	Sakhir BAHRAIN Bahrain International Circuit		Dino BEGANOVIC PREMA Racing	Arvid LINDBLAD PREMA Racing	Laurens VAN HOEPEN ART Grand Prix	Luke BROWNING Hitech Pulse-Eight	Dino BEGANOVIC PREMA Racing
2 22-24 March	Melbourne AUSTRALIA Albert Park Circuit	S	Leonardo FORNAROLI Trident	Martinius STENSHORNE Hitech Pulse-Eight	Luke BROWNING Hitech Pulse-Eight	Dino BEGANOVIC PREMA Racing	Dino BEGANOVIC PREMA Racing
3 17-19 May	Autodromo Enzo e Dino Ferrari	S	Santiago RAMOS Trident	Oliver GOETHE Campos Racing	Oliver GOETHE Campos Racing	Sami MEGUETOUNIF Trident	Oliver GOETHE Campos Racing
4 23-26 May	Monte Carlo MONACO Circuit de Monaco		Gabriele MINÌ PREMA Racing	Nikola TSOLOV ART Grand Prix	Dino BEGANOVIC PREMA Racing	Gabriele MINÌ PREMA Racing	Martinius STENSHORNE Hitech Pulse-Eight
5 21-23 June	E Barcelona SPAIN Circuit de Barcelona-Catalunya		Christian MANSELL ART Grand Prix	Mari BOYA Campos Racing	Leonardo FORNAROLI Trident	Arvid LINDBLAD PREMA Racing	Luke BROWNING Hitech Pulse-Eight
6 28-30 June	Spielberg AUSTRIA Red Bull Ring	B	Luke BROWNING Hitech Pulse-Eight	Nikola TSOLOV ART Grand Prix	Nikola TSOLOV ART Grand Prix	Luke BROWNING Hitech Pulse-Eight	Piotr WIŚNICKI Rodin Motorsport
7 05-07 July	Silverstone GREAT BRITAIN Silverstone Circuit		Luke BROWNING Hitech Pulse-Eight	Arvid LINDBLAD PREMA Racing	Arvid LINDBLAD PREMA Racing	Arvid LINDBLAD PREMA Racing	Gabriele MINÌ PREMA Racing
8 19-21 July	Budapest HUNGARY Hungaroring	D	Laurens VAN HOEPEN ART Grand Prix	Nikita BEDRIN AIX Racing	Joseph LOAKE Rodin Motorsport	Nikola TSOLOV ART Grand Prix	Sami MEGUETOUNIF Trident
9 26-28 July	Spa-Francorchamps BELGIUM Circuit de Spa-Francorchamps	E			:		:
10 30 Aug01 Sep.	Monza ITALY Autodromo Nazionale Monza		:	:	:	:	:



