

SAN MARINO GRAND PRIX 2003 TESTING, FREE PRACTICE & FRIDAY QUALIFYING Friday 18th April

Testing, Free Practice and Friday Qualifying were mechanically trouble-free for Jordan Ford. The morning sessions were productive and offered valuable data, and driver errors were the only setbacks in an otherwise straightforward Qualifying. The team saw Giancarlo Fisichella and Eddie Jordan presented with their Brazilian Grand Prix 2003 winners' trophies by Kimi Raikkonen and Ron Dennis in an official ceremony on the track between Testing and Free Practice.

TESTING

Giancarlo Fisichella	2 nd	1:23.239	31 laps
Ralph Firman	4 th	1:23.885	30 laps

FREE PRACTICE

Giancarlo Fisichella	11 th	1:23.267	9 laps
Ralph Firman	15 th	1:24.007	11 laps

QUALIFYING

GIANCARLO FISICHELLA 11th 1:22.724
CHASSIS NUMBER EJ13-04

"Unfortunately I made a couple of mistakes in the last sector, otherwise I think I had the possibility to be 10th. The car is not too bad, we need to adjust the set-up bit and I'm confident for tomorrow."

RALPH FIRMAN 17th 1:23.360
CHASSIS NUMBER EJ13-03

"It was going reasonably well but I made a mistake at the chicane, I just hit the kerb too hard and got the car a bit oversteery. I had a productive morning though and I'm looking forward to tomorrow, I think it's going to be a good weekend."

GARY ANDERSON

DIRECTOR OF RACE AND TEST ENGINEERING

"I'm a bit disappointed really. Giancarlo made a mistake in the last section at Rivazza one and Ralph made a mistake at the Variante Alta chicane. Having said that, there were not many places for Giancarlo to move up if he hadn't made the mistake, as we're just not quick enough. We need to work on the car to make it ride the kerbs a bit better and try and find some lap time for tomorrow. The trophy ceremony has been the best bit of today!"

EDDIE JORDAN CHIEF EXECUTIVE

"As usual we have a lot of work to do this weekend in order to score points on Sunday. But it was good to take some time out this morning in order to celebrate our victory in Brazil and see Giancarlo presented with his trophy. I'd like to thank the FIA and FOM for arranging this unprecedented gesture, and extend my appreciation to Ron Dennis, Kimi Raikkonen and the entire McLaren team for their sportsmanship."



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