

CANADIAN GRAND PRIX 2003 TESTING, FREE PRACTICE & FIRST QUALIFYING Friday 13th June



Following a dry test session this morning, rain which began during free practice and continued throughout qualifying had a part to play in the fortunes of Jordan Ford drivers Giancarlo Fisichella and Ralph Firman. Firman delivered a strong drive at the end of the session to set the 4th quickest qualifying time however Fisichella's flying lap coincided with the heaviest rainfall and his timed lap placed him 17th.

TESTING

Giancarlo Fisichella	6 th	1:17.156	38 laps
Ralph Firman	7 th	1:17.426	41 laps

FREE PRACTICE

Ralph Firman	7 th	1:17.973	12 laps
Giancarlo Fisichella	17 th	1:28.141	11 laps

QUALIFYING

RALPH FIRMAN 4th 1:34.759
CHASSIS NUMBER EJ13-03

"I had a reasonably good lap and was a little bit luckier with the weather than others were. The important thing is not to make any big mistakes and the car felt really good on these tyres so hopefully it will keep raining for tomorrow."

GIANCARLO FISICHELLA 17th 1:38.617
CHASSIS NUMBER EJ13-04

"Unfortunately I went out at the worst possible moment. The rain was at its heaviest and so I am in the last few places, along with Trulli who went out around the same time. I'm not really happy but at least it's not Saturday, which is the important one."

GARY ANDERSON DIRECTOR OF RACE AND TEST ENGINEERING

"Ralph drove a good lap, did well to reap the benefits and I'm pleased for him. Giancarlo's lap didn't go quite so well, he had the heaviest rain when he went out and suffered quite a bit with aquaplaning. Anyway, we've got one car at each end of the starting order for tomorrow's qualifying and as we aren't sure about the weather prediction, it might just work in our favour!"

The spare car (chassis EJ13-02) is set up for Giancarlo Fisichella.

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