



BRITISH GRAND PRIX 2003 RACE, Sunday 20th July



Jordan Ford demonstrated a more competitive pace in today's British Grand Prix, with Ralph Firman holding off midfield challenges for 13th position and Fisichella driving a strong race until he suffered a right rear suspension failure and was forced to retire on lap 46.



RALPH FIRMAN 13th
CHASSIS NUMBER EJ13-03



"The team made a really good call with the first pit stop and we're were up there in points positions for a while. Obviously it was a shame not to score any at the end but we need to be a bit quicker. The car had oversteer during the second stint but it was much better and very consistent for the last stint. All in all, it was quite a good first British Grand Prix so I'm pretty happy."



GIANCARLO FISICHELLA DNF (lap 45)
CHASSIS NUMBER EJ13-04



"The race wasn't too bad today. I was up there fighting, the pace wasn't bad, the car balance felt good, and we had slightly better grip, although we still need more. I had to retire when something broke, I think the right rear suspension failed. I'm disappointed that it's another race I haven't finished due to reliability issues but it's positive that we were better with our pace."



GARY ANDERSON
DIRECTOR OF RACE AND TEST ENGINEERING

"I think that was a good race for punters and TV - it was a spectacle. Our only drama was when Giancarlo had a right rear suspension failure - it was a low mileage component so we'll have to look into why it failed. We tried everything we could with the safety car to help our position, but having taken advantage of the first time it came out, the second time probably didn't do any good for Ralph, and it equalised itself out between all the cars. We were running all right in the race when we got into it and if we had qualified a bit better, we may have been able to get some points. So we should take some encouragement and keep working at it."



EDDIE JORDAN
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

"It should be very satisfying for Ralph to finish with a good drive in his first home Grand Prix. It was a slightly more encouraging race for us than the last few which gives a bit more motivation with our push to improve performance. And well done, Rubens."

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