

**Media Release #17.2016****18 July 2016****Porsche Carrera Cup Italia Round 4, Mugello 15-17 July**

Tsunami and Ledogar dominate Mugello!

Three wins and three poles for the French star plus a P3 in the Sunday 45' race for Mik Grenier are the results of the best ever racing weekend in the history of Tsunami RT - Centro Porsche Padova!

The Ukrainian team went to Mugello with two Porsche and its two francophone top guns at the wheel - #13 Côme Ledogar from Lyon and #33 Mikael Grenier from Quebec. Alex Gaidai couldn't attend the 4th round of the Carrera Cup Italian for professional reasons.

Qualifying 1 & 2

Ledogar dominated both sessions and secured the pole position for all the three races of the weekend! The French champion, who lapped 1'52"306 in Q1 and 1'51"549 in Q2, faced serious opposition only from Simone laquinta who was 2nd fastest in Q1 and Q2.

Mikael Grenier pulled out the 5th best time in Q1 (1'52"944) and the 6th best in Q2 despite his time was slightly improved (1'52"781).

#13 Côme Ledogar: *"It was a little bit difficult because there were some humid patches on the track. But we did a very good job! laquinta was twice second fastest but I shouldn't think about him, I must only look forward, so I just need to make a good start and then push hard from start to finish".*

#33 Mik Grenier: *"Q1 was good for me - 5th on the grid. It is slightly lower than what I wanted (P4). I found traffic on my first lap so my third was the best. The car was very good in both sessions. In Q2 I couldn't improve - actually I improved my time from Q1 but it was only good for P6".*

Race 1

A dominant race for Tsunami RT Centro Porsche Padova driver Côme Ledogar who starting from the pole position, kept his leadership to the flag to win the race with a 12" gap from second Simone laquinta. The French champion did the fastest lap (1'53"735) despite he never need it in the race. On the podium, Côme enjoyed his third win of the season but didn't celebrate it, honouring the victims of the Nice attack. Mikael Grenier managed to keep Alessio Rovera behind and took the flag in 5th place, exactly the position he had at the start.

#13 Côme Ledogar: *"First, I want to dedicate this win to the victims of the attack in Nice. The team prepared a very good car for me, perfectly balanced, so I could drive in a good pace. Was it a work or a pleasure? In fact, both. I didn't do any stupid things but pushed hard all the time!"*

#33 Mikael Grenier: *"My start was not so good so I lost a position from Drudi. I could keep the pace of the group in front of me throughout the race but after my fight with Di Amato, where I blocked a wheel on the last corner, I couldn't break as good as before".*

Race 1 Classification

1. **Come Ledogar 14 laps in 28'38"320 (153,840 Km/h)**; 2. Simone laquinta +12"083; 1'53"827; 3. Enrico Fulgenzi +12"546; 4. Mattia Drudi +12"990; **5. Mikael Grenier +14"066**; 6. Alessio Rovera +15"125;

Race 2

Côme Ledogar took off brilliantly from pole position and thanks to a series of very fast laps - and the fastest of the race - dominated the field to the finish bringing another dominant win to Tsunami RT Centro Porsche Padova. The French was in his own class - the only driver to lap in 1'53" - was never bothered by any of his rivals and took the flag 10,5" ahead of second Mattia Drudi. This was the fourth win of the season in 11 races for Ledogar and Tsunami.

Mik Grenier was the victim of his rivals who cut repeatedly the chicane, ran out of the track and losing about 8" he fell to P9. But the Canadian, composed and combative as ever, managed to overtake different rivals and after a great fight with Eric Scalvini through the end, climbed to 5th place again!

#13 Côme Ledogar: *"I want to thank all the team for the perfect car. The track conditions changed a lot, there was a gravel in the track and it was not really easy but we won and I am very happy!"*

#33 Mikael Grenier: *"The start was fine but then on the second or third lap there was crowd in the chicane, people cut the turn and I went out to the gravel. That made it difficult for us. I had to overtake much but this wasn't the plan for the race".*

Race 2 Classification

1. **Come Ledogar +15 laps in 28'40"238 (164,645 Km/h)**; 2. Mattia Drudi +10"513 3. Alessio Rovera +11"055; 4. Enrico Fulgenzi +15"254; **5. Mikael Grenier +19"119**; 6. Eric Scalvini +20"160;

Race 3

The Sunday 45' mini endurance was the most exciting race of the weekend and a roller coaster of emotions for competitors and spectators in Mugello. Ledogar started again from pole and did what he knows best - pulled a series of fantastic laps and never lost the lead till the end.

Mik Grenier was the driver of the day as he had a good start from 5th passed Drudi and won fierce battles with Fulgenzi, Di Amato and Rovera. Thanks to an impeccable pit-stop and a very strong pace finished the race in P2, 3,7" behind Ledogar.

The joy of a remarkable 1-2 turned to sorrow for the Ukrainian team right after the flag when the 5" penalty given to both drivers by the Race director for irregular pit stop. The penalty turned the result from absolute triumph to a humble 2-4 for the francophone Tsunami duo. Ledogar seemed to have lost the third win of the weekend (and 5th of the season) while Grenier couldn't believe he lost another podium.

But the saga of the Sunday in Mugello was not over. After the podium ceremony, Alessio Rovera was given a 5 second penalty as well for crashing on Eric Scalvini and the final result was turned around with Ledogar winner again, Fulgenzi 2nd and - yes - Mikael Grenier 3rd! Thanks to the 1-3, Tsunami climbed to second place in the PCCI classification while Ledogar extended his leadership in the drivers' standings. This must have been the most glorious racing weekend in the history of Tsunami RT - Centro Porsche Padova. So far...

#33 Mikael Grenier: *"It was a good race with a good start. I passed Drudi first, then Fulgenzi, who passed me again for a mistake before overtaking him for a second time, then I have fights with Di Amato and Rovera and everything was fine to the end even if at one point I felt losing a little bit of pace".*

Race 3 Classification

1. Come Ledogar +24 laps in 47'20"962 (159,512 Km/h); 2. Enrico Fulgenzi +0"218; 3. Mikael Grenier +3"729; 4. Alessio Rovera +4"241; 5. Di Amato +11"355; 6. Simone laquinta +24"244;

CARRERA CUP ITALIA CLASSIFICATIONS

After the racing weekend in Mugello with 12 from 21 races in the season complete, #13 Côme Ledogar extends his lead in the provisional Carrera Cup Italia standings with 139 points, followed by Alessio Rovera (112p.) and Mattia Drudi (107p.). Mik Grenier is 7th with 74 points.

In the teams classification, Tsunami RT - Centro Porsche Padova stands now in 2nd place with 166 points behind Dinamic Motorsport (182 p.). For the complete classifications visit the following link on the official PCCI website: <http://www.carreracupitalia.it/ita/stagione-classifiche>

Copyright free Tsunami RT - CPP images:

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/b0obh0t4e0so7cr/AABb2ppXsBGjccq9fwmc481Ua?dl=0>

© Tsunami RT - Akis Temperidis

Official Tsunami RT - CPP website:

<http://tsunami-rt.com/en/>

Media requests:

media@tsunami-rt.com