

# Tsunami RT

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Round 4

Mugello Circuit



## Tsunami RT leaves Mugello Circuit with a bitter ending

After a double podium finish in Race 2, the second race of the 4th weekend of Porsche Carrera Cup Italy 2019 didn't go very well for the team: a tire failure and a penalty, infact, ruined both Fulgenzi's and De Giacomi's race, with the two drivers looking forward to Vallelunga in order to forget a difficult sunday.



## Race 1

Both Tsunami RT's drivers have a really good start: Enrico Fulgenzi manages to defend his 5th positions, while Alex De Giacomi gains 5 places ending up 11th. The scenary changes during lap 3, when Cerqui and Mardini – respectively leading overall and Michelin Cup classification – end out of the race, allowing Enrico to gain 4th place and Alex to catch first position in

Michelin Cup. After a short Safety Car period, a great battle for 3rd position begins: Enrico Fulgenzi duels against Iaquina, Bertonelli and Conwright, and after swapping positions with Iaquina and Bertonelli manages to keep his 4th place. It would have been not a bad result, but Race 1 has another surprise for Enrico Fulgenzi: Kujala and Mosca, that were both in front of him, get a 25" penalty, allowing #17 of Tsunami RT to gain the 2nd place on the podium! Fulgenzi's one is not, however, the only result to celebrate for the team: Alex De Giacomi, in fact, manages to keep Cassarà behind him and so he catches another wonderful victory in the Michelin Cup!



### **Enrico Fulgenzi (#17)**

*"This 2nd place is a great result for us! Two of our main rivals have lost some important points, so it helps us in order to catch them in the championship's standings. This result comes from the experience: I have immediately noticed both Mosca's movement before the start and both Kujala's mistake during the Safety Car restart procedure, so I knew that penalties would be given during or after the race and therefore it was not necessary to take many risks. Now we have to focus on Race 2: we must score even more points, in order to close the gap in the standings"*

### **Alex De Giacomi (#67)**

*"What a race, I'm really happy for this victory! It was quite difficult avoiding contacts in the middle-field, but we were confident on our race pace and after a perfect start we knew that we could have reached the highest step on the podium. Our race has become easier after Mardini's mistake, but we struggled a little bit because my splitter went off, maybe after a heavy passage over a kerb. It's a win that we absolutely deserve, especially after a very difficult friday"*



## Race 2

The second race of the weekend doesn't begin with a simple start for both Tsunami RT's drivers, who have to defend their positions. Alex De Giacomi manages to keep his 1st place in Michelin Cup, while Enrico Fulgenzi swaps places with Iaquina at the "Luco" turn. The #17, however, immediately fights back, managing not only to regain his 5th position from Iaquina, but also to catch 3rd place overtaking Bertoni at the "Arrabbiata 1". Things are not smooth even for Alex De Giacomi: the #67, in fact, makes contact with Cassarà at the "Poggio Secco" turn, managing to maintain his 1st position but being put under investigation by the stewards. After a short Safety Car period, Enrico Fulgenzi is simply unrestrainable: the Tsunami RT driver is a lightning on track, and after a few laps overtakes both Monaco and Grosso in order to get the lead of the race. Fulgenzi starts to extend his advantage from Iaquina but, when only few kilometres were missing, his rear left tire failed, obliging him to retire the car while he was leading the race. What a pity! In 1st place of Michelin Cup ends Alex De Giacomi, but even the #67's joy is not meant to last: due to the contact with Cassarà, in fact, the Tsunami RT driver gets a 25" penalty, losing a 1st place that he would have deserved and ending an unlucky Race 2 in 4th positions of Michelin Cup.

### **Enrico Fulgenzi (#17)**

*"Unfortunately there's not much to say about this second race. The car was working really well since the very beginning, but suddenly my left rear tire failed and I was forced to retire when only a few kilometres were missing. It's a big pity, because I think that we could have easily won this race and that it would have been a well deserved victory"*

### **Alex De Giacomi (#67)**

*"It was a tough race. Unfortunately during the first lap we were really close in the middle field, and after doing 4 turns side by side I made contact with Cassarà: the clash was unavoidable because there wasn't enough room for both of us, but the 25" penalty it's a pity because we lost the 1st place and*

*moreover we fell down in the standing. The positive thing is that even today we showed a great pace, so we are looking forward to Vallelunga in order to be back on the podium again”*



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