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A TOUGH WEEKEND AT WINTON FOR SHERRIN MOTORSPORT

Despite an exciting final race for David Russell (BOOM Logistics), changing track conditions and car set-up issues resulted in a disappointing Round Two for Sherrin MotorSport's first-time at Winton.

"We were chasing the set-up of the cars from the first practice session," said CEO Alistair Bye. "The varying weather conditions of half wet and half dry made it difficult to gauge if we were going in the right direction with the cars."

Russell took-out third place of the final race with a brilliant charge to the front pack from grid position seven, however it was bitter sweet for the Sherrin MotorSport team with all three of their drivers being hit off the track by other cars over the weekend.



"Even though the offenders received drive through penalties for taking our cars out it doesn't help us with our championship points. Full credit to all of our drivers who fought back incredibly well every time to make up as many positions they could."

"As first timers to Winton it took us a few sessions to find the car speed we needed".

Race One was more positive as all three drivers got excellent starts, with Ellery and Russell both passing four cars before the first corner. Car pace had improved a little with Ellery recording the same fastest lap time as fifth placed Bryce Washington.

Race Two on the final day saw some light rain settle in and the team made a great call to pit for wet-weather tyre changes for both Ellery's and Juniper's cars. Both cars hit the track with up to 10 seconds a lap more speed and were charging through the field to what could have been a race win when the race was unexpectedly shortened.

The wet conditions caused havoc for all, but Russell demonstrated his consistency making up four spots to finish seventh from eleventh.



Sherrin MotorSport

"We learnt more about the cars this weekend as every change we made improved the cars as we predicted," said Bye. "Although it was tough weekend and we are not pleased with our placings we'll certainly be moving forward from this weekend into a much more positive position."

Round Two of the Carrera Cup will be broadcast on Channel 7 on Saturday 2 June at 1.30pm, with Round Three at Hidden Valley in Darwin on 22 – 24 June 2007.

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