

MIXED RESULT FOR JUNIPER IN RACE ONE

The #11 Juniper Racing Porsche has enjoyed a mixed result in race one of the 2007 Carrera Cup series at Bathurst after driver Shaun Juniper set a personal best time of 2:16.97 on only his fourth lap of the famous circuit.

Making a flying start from 19th on the grid, Juniper matched his qualifying time of a 2:17.06 on only the third lap of the eight lap dash.

However some spirited late breaking from Juniper during the fifth lap of the race left serious flat spots on the tyres resulting in a less than ordinary lap time of 2:21.49.

"The car felt really good, even after the repairs the guys made last night, I was able to push harder than I did in the session yesterday," said Shaun Juniper.

"I was pushing hard when I flat spotted the tyres and I think I could have probably even broken into the 2min15second area," said Juniper.

Juniper's damaged tyres continued to plague him for the remainder of the race, forcing him to drop more time over the final laps and dashing any chance of beating his own personal best time.

However Juniper will take a mountain of confidence into race two after his best ever lap of Bathurst, conceding that he may even get into the 2min14sec in tomorrow's race.

"I cant wait to hit the track tomorrow, I really think I can pull my times down even more, maybe even into the 2min14sec," said Shaun Juniper.

"Its great to see my times getting better each session, the car set up is getting better each time and I am pushing myself a little bit more each time," added Juniper.

Sherrin Motorsport team manager, Alistair Bye was happy with his driver's performance, but admits he is still searching for more consistency from the ever-improving Juniper.

"If he can pull his lap times down in race two and be consistent throughout the race, I think everyone will be very surprised at how well he can finish," added Bye.

Shaun Juniper will be in action in his #11 Juniper Racing Porsche tomorrow when race two gets underway at 9:20am.

The weekends final race will be telecast live on Channel 7 from 8:45am before the Bathurst 100 on Sunday.

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