

Agostini, Hindman Capture Race 2 Win at Watkins Glen



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Riccardo Agostini and Trent Hindman finally claimed their first victory of the season in the weekend's second Super Trofeo North America race at Watkins Glen International.

Hindman brought the No. 1 Prestige Performance entry, representing Lamborghini Paramus, home to the checkered flag, holding off a late-race charge from Austin Versteeg who closed to finish just 0.541 seconds behind the race winner.

The Agostini and Hindman duo made best use of their pole starting position, controlling the race from the green flag.

"I knew we had a great car," said Hindman. "Riccardo did a fantastic job in qualifying on Friday morning and put the thing on the pole. I was definitely hanging on at the end but overall it was a fantastic race and I'm just so happy to end the weekend on a high note and move on to Road America with a win."

Versteeg's second-place finish overall also netted him his second ProAm class victory after a similarly impressive performance from the 18-year-old at the season-opening round at Circuit of The Americas.

The driver of the No. 7 DXDT Racing entry, representing Lamborghini Dallas, fell back early in the race, but fought back to have a mighty battle after the mandatory pitstop window with eventual third-place overall finisher Ashley Freiberg.

After getting around Freiberg, Versteeg set off in chase of Hindman, who had taken over driving duties from Agostini at the pitstop. Setting a series of fast laps, he cut the lead to less than a second by race's end, but the young driver ran out of time and had to settle for the second step on the overall podium.

"Everyone was super tight going up the Esses at the start and I lost a few positions there," said Versteeg after the race. "I knew we had a really good car for the long run and I just had to be smart in traffic. "Thanks to all the team for such a great bounce back. Hopefully Road America comes fast."

With her third-place finish, Freiberg made history, becoming the first woman to stand on the overall podium of any of the worldwide Lamborghini Super Trofeo series.

The 25-year-old leapt up from her fourth place starting position at the green flag, taking and holding second place for much of the race until she was caught by Versteeg.

Eventually, she brought her No. 30 DAC Motorsports entry, representing Lamborghini Palm Beach, to the checkered flag second in the Pro category, proving her race-winning potential in only her fourth Lamborghini Super Trofeo start.