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GT3 saw the pole-sitting #51 AF Corse Ferrari 296 take a commanding victory, Matthew Kurzejewski and Alessandro Balzan putting together a faultless run, holding station through the two safety car restarts to claim an early championship lead.



"Matt did an amazing job in his stint, he gave me the car with a very nice gap. It wasn't easy, but it's a good start to a long season," Balzan said after the race.

AF Corse's win bookended a dominant day for Ferrari's customers in the Le Mans Cup, as the 296 finished 1-2-3-4 in the seven-car class.

Kessel Racing ended up taking second place with its #74, as Fran Rueda was unable to catch and pass Balzan in the closing laps after the second restart, crossing the line 1.9 seconds adrift.

Riccardo Agostini meanwhile made it a double podium for AF Corse, battling past Alex Aka in the Steller Motorsport Audi to take third in the second half of the race before holding off the #12 Kessel Racing entry with David Fumanelli at the wheel in the final laps.