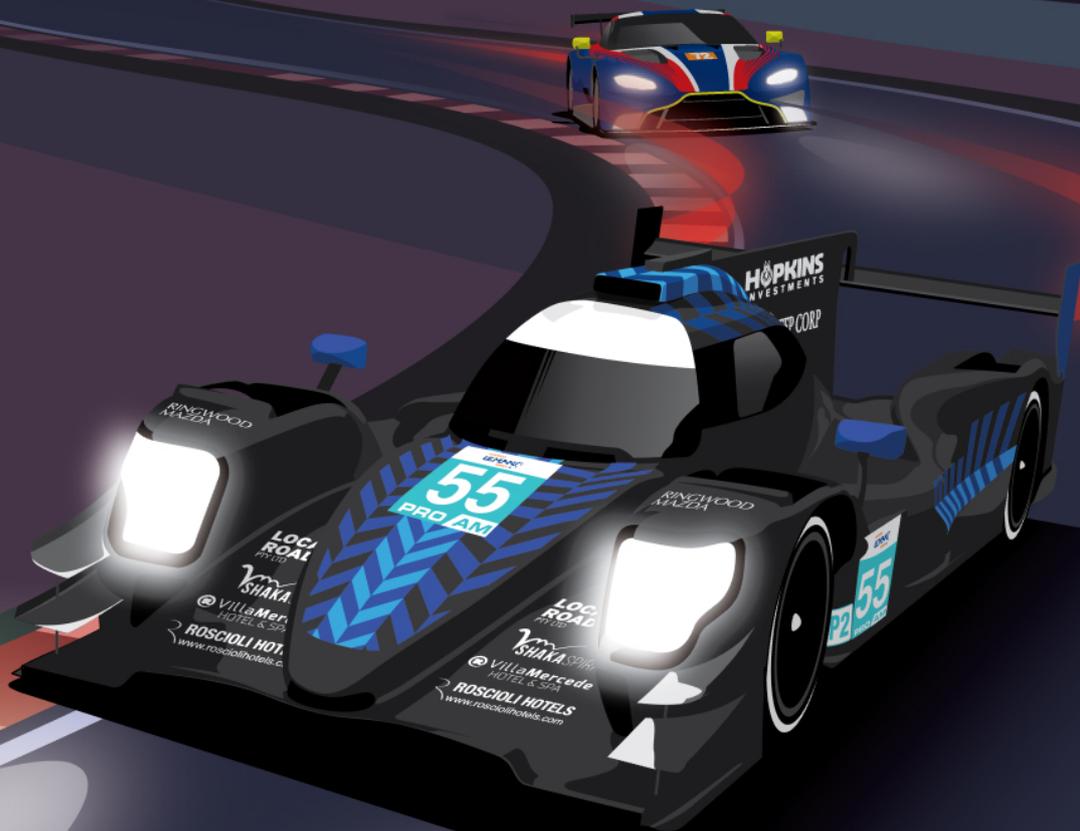


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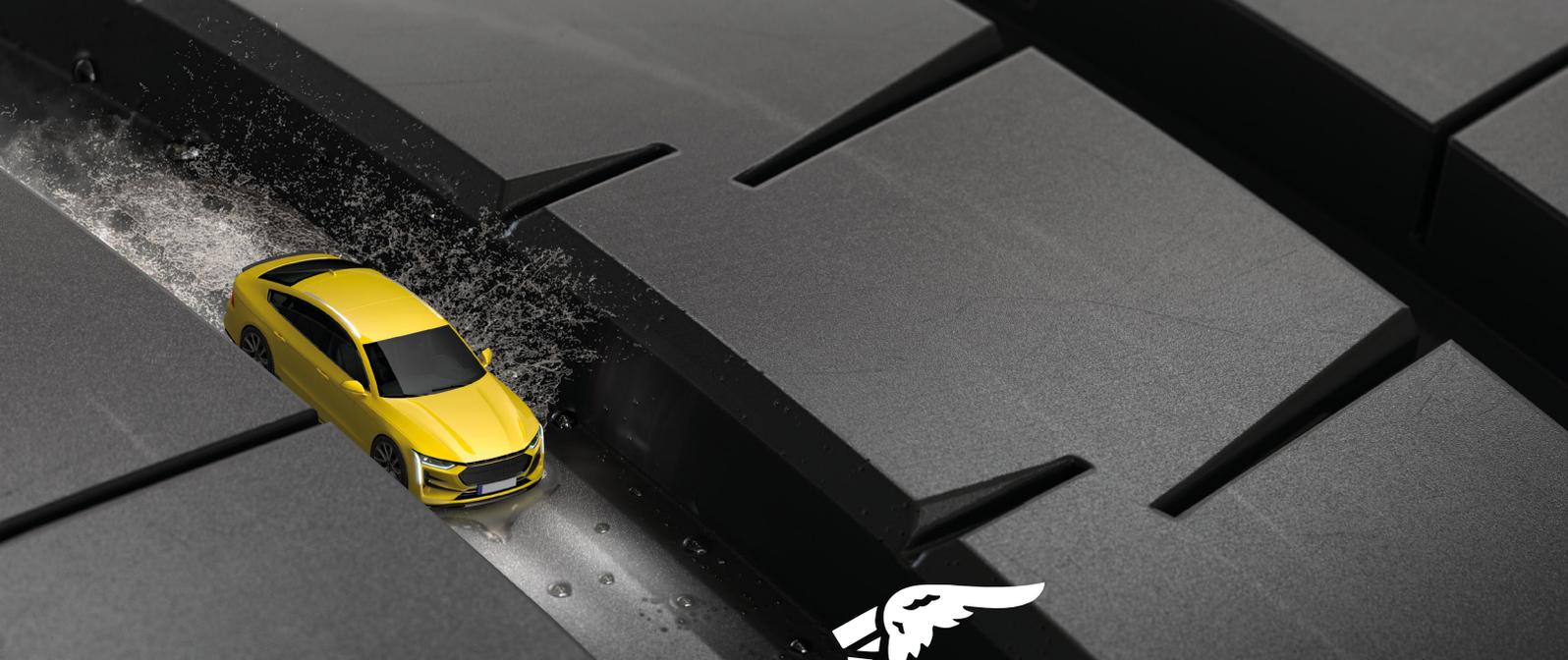


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#77 PROTON COMPETITION PORSCHE  
LMGTE WINNERS IN LE CASTELLET



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2021 LMP2 PRO/AM CHAMPION

## ELMS RACING INTO THE NIGHT IN ARAGÓN

Over the years the European Le Mans Series has raced on the best and most challenging circuits that Europe has to offer and this weekend Motorland Aragon will join that prestigious list of venues when it hosts Round 3 of the 2023 season.

The ELMS boasts a huge 42-car grid filled with some of the best teams and drivers and they are ready for the challenge of the only night race of the year.

The series features full grids across the four classes – LMP2, LMP2 Pro/Am, LMP3 and LMGTE - with the ultimate prize of an automatic invitation to 2024 24 Hours of Le Mans on offer for the very best teams in each category.

LMP2 is the leading class for drivers rated as silver, gold or platinum, with all teams choosing to use the Oreca 07 chassis powered by the Gibson V8 engine. LMP2 Pro/Am teams use the same cars as LMP2, but the driver line up must feature at least one bronze rated driver, who must also take part in qualifying on Saturday morning.

After two rounds Chile's Nico Pino, Austria's Rene Binder and former FIA World Champion Neel Jani from Switzerland is leading the championship by 8-points. The LMP2 cars are identified by a dark blue number panel, whereas LMP2 Pro/Am entrants have a light blue number panel.

The opening race of the season in Barcelona was won overall by a LMP2 Pro/Am car, the no34 Racing Team Turkey Oreca, and three of the top four finishers were Pro/Am entries. In Round 2 in Le Castellet Racing Team Turkey also finished on the overall podium, so expect to see lots of action amongst the two LMP2 classes here in Aragon.

LMP3 is the junior Le Mans Prototype category, with teams choosing to use either the Ligier JS P320 or Duqueine M30-D08 chassis, all powered by the same Nissan V8 engine.

The driver line ups are a mixture of professional and amateur drivers, with many of the stars of the future choosing to compete in LMP3 as the first step on the ladder to the 24 Hours of Le Mans. The number panel on a LMP3 car is purple.

The no17 COOL Racing Ligier is the current championship leader with Argentina's Marcos Siebert, Mexico's Alejandro Garcia and French driver Adrien Chila leading by just 1-point.

2023 marks the final season of the LMGTE category, with GT3 taking over next year. For the final season there are 12 cars entered with five Ferrari 488s, four Porsche 911s and three Aston Martin Vantage. The driver line ups in LMGTE must also feature one bronze driver who must compete in qualifying. The number panel on a LMGTE cars is orange.

After two rounds Porsche are the top three cars in the championship table with the no60 Iron Lynx 911 of Italians Matteo Cairoli and Matteo Cressoni, with their Swiss teammate Claudio Schiavoni leading by just 3-points ahead of the two Proton Competition Porsches.

The European Le Mans Series attracts drivers from all walks of life from drivers who have competed and won at the very top of motorsport, including Formula One and the WEC, the next generation of star drivers and the amateur (bronze) drivers, including Hollywood's Michael Fassbender, who want to take on the challenge of competing against the very best.

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- TIMETABLE -

**THURSDAY 24 AUGUST**

<b>10:30</b>	<b>11:30</b>	MICHELIN LE MANS CUP	FREE PRACTICE 1
<b>12:30</b>	<b>13:30</b>	ELMS	PIT STOP CHALLENGE QUALIFYING
<b>14:00</b>	<b>14:40</b>	MICHELIN LE MANS CUP	BRONZE DRIVER COLLECTIVE TEST
<b>14:55</b>	<b>16:25</b>	ELMS	FREE PRACTICE 1
<b>16:40</b>	<b>17:40</b>	MICHELIN LE MANS CUP	FREE PRACTICE 2

**FRIDAY 25 AUGUST**

<b>09:25</b>	<b>10:05</b>	LIGIER EUROPEAN SERIES	FREE PRACTICE 1
<b>10:20</b>	<b>10:35</b>	MICHELIN LE MANS CUP	QUALIFYING SESSION - GT3
<b>10:50</b>	<b>11:05</b>	MICHELIN LE MANS CUP	QUALIFYING SESSION - LMP3
<b>11:20</b>	<b>12:00</b>	LIGIER EUROPEAN SERIES	FREE PRACTICE 2
<b>14:00</b>	<b>14:30</b>	ELMS	BRONZE DRIVER COLLECTIVE TEST
<b>14:45</b>	<b>15:00</b>	LIGIER EUROPEAN SERIES	QUALIFYING SESSION 1
<b>15:15</b>	<b>15:30</b>	LIGIER EUROPEAN SERIES	QUALIFYING SESSION 2
<b>15:45</b>	<b>16:30</b>	ELMS	PITWALK
<b>15:45</b>	<b>16:15</b>	ELMS	PIT STOP CHALLENGE FINALE
<b>16:40</b>		MICHELIN LE MANS CUP	PITS OPEN
<b>16:45</b>		MICHELIN LE MANS CUP	PITS CLOSED
<b>17:40</b>	<b>19:30</b>	MICHELIN LE MANS CUP	RACE
<b>20:00</b>		ELMS	PIT STOP CHALLENGE PODIUM
<b>20:30</b>	<b>22:00</b>	ELMS	FREE PRACTICE 2

**SATURDAY 26 AUGUST**

<b>09:00</b>	<b>10:00</b>	LIGIER EUROPEAN SERIES	RACE 1
<b>10:15</b>	<b>10:30</b>	ELMS	QUALIFYING - LMGTE
<b>10:45</b>	<b>11:00</b>	ELMS	QUALIFYING - LMP3
<b>11:15</b>	<b>11:30</b>	ELMS	QUALIFYING - LMP2 PRO/AM
<b>11:45</b>	<b>12:00</b>	ELMS	QUALIFYING - LMP2
<b>12:15</b>		ELMS	QUALIFYING PRESS CONFERENCE
<b>14:00</b>	<b>15:00</b>	LIGIER EUROPEAN SERIES	RACE 2
<b>15:30</b>	<b>16:30</b>	ELMS	PITWALK
<b>16:00</b>	<b>16:30</b>	ELMS	AUTOGRAPH SESSION
<b>17:00</b>		ELMS	PITS OPEN
<b>17:05</b>		ELMS	PITS CLOSED
<b>17:53</b>		ELMS	1' BOARD
<b>17:54</b>		ELMS	GREEN FLAG
<b>18:00</b>	<b>22:00</b>	ELMS	RACE

# CATEGORIES



- LMP2 -

*The Le Mans Prototype 2 is the ELMS premier class. Because of their superior performance, and level of technological development, LMP2 has star status on the ELMS grid.*



GIBSON TECHNOLOGY  
4.2-LITRE V8 PRODUCING  
550 HORSEPOWER



6 GEARS

BLUE  
RACE NUMBER  
BACKGROUND



FUEL TANK  
CAPACITY  
69 LITRES



MINIMUM  
WEIGHT :  
950kg



GOODYEAR  
TYRES  




CARBON BRAKE  
DISCS 15"  
(380mm)



TOP SPEED: 312Kph  
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# - LMP2 PRO/AM -

*LMP2 Pro/Am category run the same car as LMP2 but the lineup must include at least one Bronze driver.*



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4.2-LITRE V8 PRODUCING  
550 HORSEPOWER



6 GEARS

BLUE  
RACE NUMBER  
BACKGROUND



FUEL TANK  
CAPACITY  
69 LITRES



MINIMUM  
WEIGHT :  
950kg



GOODYEAR  
TYRES  




CARBON BRAKE  
DISCS 15"  
(380mm)



TOP SPEED: 312Kph  
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- LMP3 -

*LMP3 is the training ground for endurance racing, an arena in which drivers, team members, engineers and mechanics hone their skills in Le Mans Prototypes.*



NISSAN VK56  
PRODUCING 455  
HORSEPOWER



6 GEARBOX

PURPLE  
RACE NUMBER  
BACKGROUND



FUEL TANK  
CAPACITY  
100 LITRES



MINIMUM  
WEIGHT :  
950kg



MICHELIN  
TYRES



STEEL DISCS  
355.6mm



TOP SPEED: 286Kph

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- LMGTE -

*LMGTE will provide one final season of action-packed racing before the category switches to GT3 in 2024.*

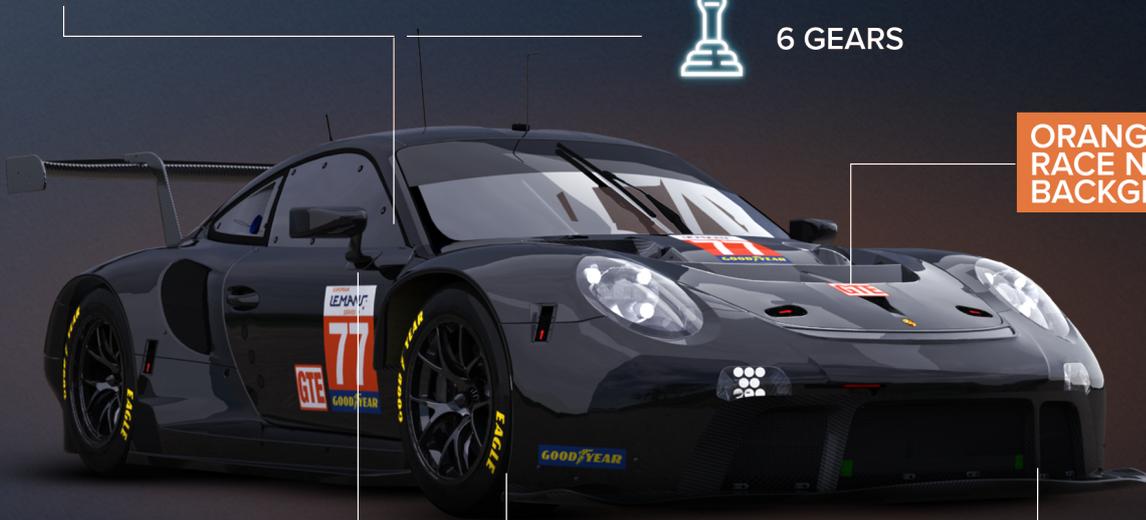


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ASPIRATED - 5.5L  
TURBOCHARGED - 4L



6 GEARS

ORANGE  
RACE NUMBER  
BACKGROUND



TANK  
CAPACITY  
MIN 85 LITRES  
MAX 100 LITRES



MINIMUM  
WEIGHT :  
1245kg



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## JOSÉ MARÍA LÓPEZ

### WORLD CHAMPION LOPEZ LOOKING FORWARD TO ELMS CHALLENGE IN SPAIN

Argentine racer José María López has a motorsport resume that is the envy of almost every driver in the world, with the 40-year-old from Cordoba being one of a handful of drivers to have won FIA World Championship titles in two different disciplines.

After winning three back-to-back FIA World Touring Car Championship titles in 2014, 2015 and 2016, 'Pechito' turned his attentions to the FIA World Endurance Championship, winning two titles with Toyota in 2020 and 2021.

While still competing in the FIA WEC with Toyota in the Hypercar category, José María López made his ELMS debut in 2023, racing with Swiss team COOL Racing in LMP2 and in Le Castellet last month he added his first ELMS pole position to his racing CV.





**So how does López feel about the ELMS season after the opening two races?** “It’s been good so far, but it’s been a learning curve for me,” he said. “We’ve shown some very strong pace, especially in qualifying; I was very happy with my pole position in the last race, showing that I am getting used to the car and adapting as well.”

“Obviously, the main objective is to win, and the races haven’t been as good as qualifying. When you start from P1 you expect to fight for the front and we’ve been a bit unlucky, we’ve made some mistakes but we’re looking forward to the next race to improve our final result.”

José María López is teamed up with Reshad De Gerus and Vladislav Lomko at COOL Racing.

“Working with Vlad and Reshad has been very nice so far. They’re very young and remind me of when I was at the same age. I use my experience to guide them a little bit, but they are very mature already and doing a very good job on the car as well. It’s a real pleasure to work with both of them and with everyone at COOL Racing.”

“The level in the ELMS is incredible, so many very strong drivers. The races are very hard, it’s so easy to lose a few places or a few seconds on a pitstop, everything is so tight, it has to be pretty much perfect to be challenging for the first position. I’m really enjoying that; the competition is very nice. I always look forward to the next ELMS race.”

**López is still racing for Toyota Gazoo Racing in the FIA World Endurance Championship as well this season, how has that been going?** “It’s been a great year for us, we’ve won four races out of five. Unfortunately, Le Mans wasn’t great for car #7, which did hurt us in the championship because it is a double points race. We’ve had the car that has won the most races this year with three and we’ve been very competitive in every race. Of course, it is not over, there is still two races to go but the team is one and two is very positive and the car is working very well.”

“The challenge has changed a little bit, we have more cars and competitors, which is very nice. We are in a golden age for the World Endurance Championship with many manufacturers and the fight on track is very nice, it’s really brought the game up this year.”

**So, what are the main differences between a Hypercar and an LMP2?** “The LMP2 is a lighter car, has less power and, in the ELMS, has more downforce,” he said. “The Hypercar is a heavier car, so the weight transfers are more difficult. It is a different car, I think the LMP2 is a car that you can attack all the time, you don’t have to think

as much about tyre degradation, which in Hypercar is very important. Also, the energy in the Hypercar as it is a hybrid system is different as well. They are different cars, but I have to say I enjoy racing both.”

**Having tested before at Aragon, what does ‘Pechito’ think about the upcoming 4 Hours of Aragon?** “We’re back in Spain and it’s going to be hot. Aragon is a nice track; it will be challenging for the drivers and for the car. I’ve been there a couple of times doing winter testing, endurance testing

as well. It’s a track that’s going to hard for the car, hard for the drivers and hard for the tyres.

“I’ve also run there at night and it’s OK. Of course, running in the dark is always different and difficult but I think the most difficult thing is going to be the traffic. There is only one main straight, but I’m looking forward to being there.”

**So, what are the expectations for COOL Racing this weekend?** “Even if it hasn’t been a great start to the championship for us, we’re not too far away and there is a long way to go,” José María López admitted. “The objective, as always, is to fight for the win. We’ve shown the car has the potential and the team has the potential as well to fight at the front. It’s up to us to do a good job, the pace is there, and we hope we can do it this time.”

## IT’S A TRACK THAT’S GOING TO BE HARD FOR THE CAR, HARD FOR THE DRIVERS AND HARD FOR THE TYRES.

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**25** ALGARVE PRO RACING   
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**30** DUQUEINE TEAM   
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**43** INTEREUROPOL COMPETITION   
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ORECA 07 - GIBSON

**83** AF CORSE 

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ORECA 07 - GIBSON

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 G. Roda  J. Ried  G. Bruni



ORECA 07 - GIBSON

**4** DKR ENGINEERING 

**P3**  **PRO AM**

 A. Bukhantsov  J. Winslow  P. Perino



DUQUEINE M30 - DOB - NISSAN

**5** RLR M SPORT 

**P3**  **PRO AM**

 J. Dayson  V. Eriksen  J. Manchester



LIGIER JS P320 - NISSAN

**7** NIELSEN RACING 

**P3**  **PRO AM**

 A. Wells  R. Harper-Ellam



LIGIER JS P320 - NISSAN

**8** TEAM VIRAGE 

**P3**  **PRO AM**

 M. Espirito Santo  N. Adcock  M. Jensen



LIGIER JS P320 - NISSAN

**10** EUROINTERNATIONAL 

**P3**  **PRO AM**

 J. Zielonka  G. Van Berlo



LIGIER JS P320 - NISSAN

**11** EUROINTERNATIONAL 

**P3**  **PRO AM**

 M. R. Bell  A. Ali



LIGIER JS P320 - NISSAN

**12** WTM BY RINALDI RACING 

**P3**  **PRO AM**

 T. Kratz  L. Weiss  O. Tunjo



DUQUEINE M30 - DOB - NISSAN

**13** INTEREUROPOL COMPETITION 

**P3**  **PRO AM**

 M. Cristóvão  K. Askey  W. Brichacek

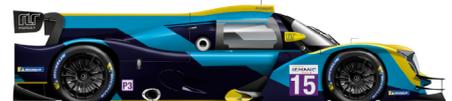


LIGIER JS P320 - NISSAN

**15** RLR M SPORT 

**P3**  **PRO AM**

 H. Felbermayr  G. Julien  M. Kaprzyk



LIGIER JS P320 - NISSAN

**17** COOL RACING 

**P3**  **PRO AM**

 A. Chila  M. Siebert  A. Garcia



LIGIER JS P320 - NISSAN

**31** RACING SPIRIT OF LEMAN 

**P3**  **PRO AM**

 J. Wolff  J.-L. Foubert  A. Doquin



LIGIER JS P320 - NISSAN

**35** ULTIMATE 

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**44** **GMB MOTORSPORT**   
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**50** **FORMULA RACING**   
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FERRARI 488 GTE EVO  

**51** **AF CORSE**   
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FERRARI 488 GTE EVO  

**55** **SPIRIT OF RACE**   
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FERRARI 488 GTE EVO  

**57** **KESSEL RACING**   
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FERRARI 488 GTE EVO  

**60** **IRON LYNX**   
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PORSCHE 911 RSR - 19  

**66** **JMW MOTORSPORT**   
  M. Berry  L. Hanafin  J. Lancaster



FERRARI 488 GTE EVO  

**72** **TF SPORT**   
  A. Robin  M. Robin  V. Hasse Clot



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**77** **PROTON COMPETITION**   
  C. Ried  G. Levorato  J. Andlauer



PORSCHE 911 RSR - 19  

**93** **PROTON COMPETITION**   
  M. Fassbender  M. Rump  R. Lietz



PORSCHE 911 RSR - 19  

**95** **TF SPORT**   
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# LE MANS CUP



CHAMPIONSHIP LEADERS -  
RACING SPIRIT OF LEMAN  
ASTON MARTIN VANTAGE GT3





KARTING VUITTON

ROAD TO LE MANS RACE  
WINNER DAVID DROUX

## **MLMC: FIRST RUNG ON THE ENDURANCE LADDER**

Since it was launched in 2016, the Michelin Le Mans Cup has attracted the best amateur and young professional drivers who are beginning their climb up the endurance racing ladder.

The Michelin Le Mans Cup grid at Motorland Aragon will feature 40 cars, which is divided into two classes: LMP3 and GT3. The race will last 1 hour and 50 minutes on Friday afternoon, with a mandatory timed pitstop at the midpoint of the race to change drivers, tyres and refuel the car.

All cars in the Le Mans Prototype 3 (LMP3) category are built according to the ACO LMP3 technical regulations, with four different chassis to choose from: Ligier, Duqueine, Adess and Ginetta, with the first two being the chassis of choice for all of the teams this season.

The LMP3 category for Round 4 here in Aragon is once again full of new and established talent, with 16 teams running a total of 26 Ligier JS P320 competing against 3 teams running the Duqueine M30-D08, with all 29 cars powered by the same Nissan V8 engine.

On the LMP3 grid there are 4 drivers and 2 cars racing under the Spanish flag, including current championship leader Julien Gerbi in the no16 Team Virage Ligier, who will race alongside his teammate Gillian Henrion from France.

Belen Garcia Espinar is the only female driver on the grid and will race with British team 360 Racing. Xavier Lloveras will race in the no39 Graff Racing Ligier and Santiago Concepcion Serrano is the fourth Spanish driver on the grid and will be racing the no13 Inter Europol Competition Ligier.

Spanish team CD Sport will once again enter two Ligier JS P320-Nissans, with Kirill Smal and Fabien Michel looking for their third podium finish of the season in the no2 Ligier.

The GT3 category features six different manufacturers for Round 4 in Aragon with Aston Martin Vantage, Honda NSX, Audi R8 LMS EVO II, Ferrari 296, Porsche 911 GT3 R Type 992 and Lamborghini Huracan EVO2 are all entered for the second Spanish race of the season. GT3 is set to become the benchmark for GT in the European Le Mans Series, the FIA WEC and the 24 Hours of Le Mans from next season.

With three podium finishes, including a win in the opening round in Barcelona, the no10 Racing Spirit of Lemans Aston Martin Vantage of Arnold Robin and Valentin Haase Clot have a 10-point advantage at the head of the leader board.

The no86 HCR With CaffeineSix Porsche 911 GT3 R of Tim Creswick and Anders Fjordbach are second on 44 points after taking maximum points in both Road To Le Mans Races in June as the highest finishing MLMC full season entry.

Le Castellet race winners Gabriel Rindone and Patrick Kujala leapt up the standings to 3rd overall in the no19 Leipert Motorsport Lamborghini Huracan, tied on 34-points with the no51 AF Corse Ferrari 296 of Japanese duo Koizumi Hiroshi and Kei Cozzolino.

Reigning GT3 champions GMB Motorsport returning with a pair of Honda NSX GT3s to defend their title. The driver line-up the Danish team includes former F1 driver and 24 Hours of Le Mans winner Jan Magnussen in the #88 Honda.

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# JULIEN GERBI

## TARGETS SUCCESS IN SECOND SPANISH RACE OF 2023 SEASON

Team Virage Team Manager and driver of the no16 Ligier JS P320-Nissan has been enjoying a successful start to the 2023 Michelin Le Mans Cup alongside his young teammate Gillian Henrion.

The Valencia based team has enjoyed two wins in Barcelona and Le Castellet, with Julien Gerbi and Gillian Henrion setting their sights on a third victory in Aragon to extend their championship lead.





“The start to the season has been pretty good I would say,” Julien Gerbi said. “We were hoping to be fighting at the front, and it is what we have been doing so far. Our races in Barcelona and Le Castellet were strong : on driving, technically and strategy wise. We lost some good opportunities in Le Mans, in both races, which is a disappointing part for us. But I take it as part of the process and we will do our best to avoid other down moments this season.”

**So what are Julien’s thoughts on his young French teammate after Gillian Henrion made a big impact by winning the Ligier European Series last year?** “Gillian is quick, has a very competitive mind and hasn’t done any mistake this season nor the previous one. He keeps on improving and has a greater potential still to show. Ligier is giving him the opportunity to show his capacities and he is really taking full advantage of it.

“We have been building a strong relationship since the beginning of 2022, first as Team Manager/Driver in JSP4, and now as teammates in LMP3.

“One of our strong points together is that we always manage to find an agreement on what are the important points on which to focus our energy and time during the week-ends, and what must be left aside. It helps us to look in the same direction as a team and is beneficial for all.”

**With three races left and the LMP3 being very competitive, who does Julien Gerbi see as their biggest rivals for the championship?** “There are a lot of competitive line-ups this year. We suspected Audunn, Colin and Team Thor would be strong since the winter testing, and they have proved us right. Both COOL Racing and CD Sport cars are also there.

“Overall, we don’t really put our focus on anyone in particular, as the Michelin Le Mans Cup is so competitive this year that there can be a lot of surprises. We take it race by race intending to score as many points as we can, and we will check the numbers at the end of the season.”

**This weekend is the first time the Michelin Le Mans Cup has visited Motorland Aragon. So what does Julien Gerbi think of the Spanish track?** “I have never raced in Aragon,” Gerbi admitted. “I had done a few laps some years ago in a GT, and I tested

the LMP3 there earlier in the summer. The car felt really good there, but the Ligier JS P320 feels good anywhere!

“The track is fun, safe and offers a variety of technical mid-speed corners. It is also the only one anti-clockwise this year, and the temperature should be extremely high, so working on the neck and the general physical condition has been a priority since Le Castellet. I am impatient to go there and see what we can do!”

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**JS P4 CATEGORY: TEAM VIRAGE EYEING A SWEEP OF THE TOP THREE**

The previous race meeting at Le Castellet was prolific for Team Virage. After two victories and two podium finishes, the Polish team occupies the top three places in the general classification. Mihnea Stefan continues to dominate the competition aboard the #48 Ligier JS P4, extending his lead to 108 points. George King and Bernardo Pinheiro (#60) are back in the title hunt on 72 points. They are followed by the Team Virage AM crew, Lance Fenton and Kevin Madsen, in the #1, on 59 points. Third place is under threat from three other teams that are tightly bunched: the #7 of LR Motorsport (Simone Riccitelli and Jacopo Mazza, 52 points), the #75 from RLR MSport (Haytham Qarajouli and Ian Aguilera, 52 points) and Pegasus Racing's #17 (Dimitri Enjalbert and Anthony Nahra, 51 points).

In the PRO-AM class, the #50 Les Deux Arbres Ligier JS P4 (Steve Zacchia and Louis Rossi) leads with 118 points. Team Virage's #1 Ligier JS P4 dominates the AM class with a 118-point lead over the #16 from Pegasus Racing (David Caussanel and Yuki Tanaka), which has 97 points.



The Ligier European Series returns after a short summer hiatus! Following the Le Castellet Heat on 14 and 15 July, the teams will continue this summer with the Aragon Heat, the fourth round of the championship, from 25 and 26 August. For the first time in the championship's history, the Ligier JS P4s and Ligier JS2 Rs will take on the 5.344 km and 18-corner Motorland Aragon circuit in Alcañiz, Spain. While the championship enters the back half of the season, nothing is decided yet for the overall leaders, Mihnea Stefan in the #48 Team Virage Ligier JS P4 and Julien Lemoine in the #42 ANS Motorsport Ligier JS2 R.



**JS2 R CATEGORY: JULIEN LEMOINE AND ANS MOTORSPORT WIDENING THE GAP**

Already on top of the classification before Le Castellet, the #42 ANS Motorsport Ligier JS2 R (Julien Lemoine) strengthened its advantage in the overall category championship and in AM with two wins at Circuit Paul Ricard. His tally now stands at 111 points. But it's not all over yet, with the #43 of LR Motorsport (David Rodorigo) trailing on 94 points. The #95 from CTF Performance (Gilles Poret) is third with 60 points. The #86 from Les Deux Arbres (Jacques Nicolet), with 56 points, remains in contention for an end-of-season place on the podium.

In the PRO-AM class, the #10 Ligier JS2 R (Maximus Mayer and Simon Butler) has a comfortable lead with 100 points, ahead of the #29 of Pegasus Racing (Christophe Weber) with 79 points.



**WHAT'S NEW IN THE ENTRY LIST?**

Having raced a Ligier JS2 R last month at Le Castellet (with Christophe Weber in the #29), Pegasus Racing team manager Julien Schell is now tackling the JS P4 category. He will be taking part in the Aragon round in the #16 car alongside Yuki Tanaka. The Greek duo in the #4 HPRacing by Monza Garage car, Kolovos Georgios-Periklis and Kaitatzis Panagiotis, will be making their comeback in the championship after taking part in the inaugural round in Barcelona in April.

In the JS2 R category, Maximus Mayer in the #10 RLR MSport, used to race with driver-reverent Simon Butler, will be on his own in Spain. On the other hand, Jacques Nicolet in the #86 Les Deux Arbres will be driving for the first time this season with a teammate: Bastien Ostian. After Barcelona last April, Jordan Meyer will be back at the wheel of the #29 Pegasus Racing car, but this time solo. Christophe Weber, who usually drives the French team's car, will be absent at Aragon.

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