



# Dylan Pereira from Luxembourg is the new Supercup champion

**11/09/2022** Thrills and spills characterised the season finale of the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup in Monza. After 15 laps with countless battles for positions among the leading pack, the Dane Bastian Buus took the flag first ahead of Harry King from the UK, his BWT Lechner Racing teammate. Championship leader Dylan Pereira crossed the finish line in P3 at the wheel of the team champion's third Porsche 911 GT3 Cup. However, both King and Pereira lost positions due to a time penalty. Fifth place was still enough for the Pereira to win the championship title.

#### The race

Dylan Pereira basically only had to cross the finish line to secure the overall title in the Mobil 1 Supercup. Instead, the Luxembourger started the race from third on the grid and got repeatedly entangled in hair-raising battles for positions. In the duel with one of his top rivals for the title, Larry ten Voorde, Pereira even made several mistakes. For this, he was handed a three-second time penalty from the stewards. Pereira crossed the finish line in the ca. 375 kW (510 PS) Porsche 911 GT3 Cup as third



but was relegated to fifth place – which was enough anyway to take home his first Supercup title. "Ok, the final round of the season didn't go so smoothly. But the most important thing is winning the title. I've worked towards this for seven years," beamed the 25-year-old sports soldier.

Larry ten Voorde complimented his successor on claiming the Supercup crown: "Congratulations to Dylan. That was again an extremely exciting Supercup season. I did my best but this time it wasn't quite enough to retain the title," commented the Dutchman from the GP Elite squad.

Porsche Junior Laurin Heinrich, who travelled to Monza with an outsider chance of claiming the title, crossed the finish line in tenth place. "Unfortunately, I was forced off the track shortly after the start which threw me down the field to 18th. From there, it was impossible to achieve a better result than tenth," stated the 20-year-old from Germany. One small consolation: Heinrich retains his third overall in the standings.

However, Bastian Buus from Denmark almost snatched this ranking from him. In the first few metres, the newly crowned rookie champion overtook the pole-sitter Marvin Klein from France (CLRT). Buus defended the lead vehemently against Klein, even after a safety car phase. In the second half of the race, he then had to shake off his BWT Lechner Racing teammate Harry King. Buus gave the Englishman no chance and ultimately brought home his second win of the season. "I had a few different strategies up my sleeve before the start of the race – overtaking Marvin at the start was one of them. After that, I focussed on not making any mistakes at the front," reported Buus. The 19-year-old Dane won all eight races in the rookie class of the 2022 Supercup season – and set a new record. In the overall standings, he ranked fourth place, just one point behind Porsche Junior Laurin Heinrich.

King took his defeat against his young teammate in a sportsmanlike manner. "Bastian defended himself cleverly. An attack would have possibly been too risky – and, of course, that's exactly what our team boss Robert Lechner before the start expressly banned us from doing." While Harry King took the flag in second place, a bad surprise came for him a while after crossing the finish line. He was handed a five-second penalty from the stewards for shunting Porsche Junior Laurin Heinrich. Because of this and Pereira's penalty, Larry ten Voorde inherited second place. King retained fifth place in the overall standings.

Victory in the ProAm category at the Supercup finale went to the Englishman Aaron Mason from the Pierre Martinet by Alméras squad. His teammate Roar Lindland came fourth in the ProAm category. With this result, the Norwegian clinched the ProAm title in the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup for the fourth time.

"It doesn't get more exciting than this. The finale in Monza was a worthy conclusion to the 30th Supercup season and the best promotion for racing with the Porsche 911 GT3 Cup," commented Michael Dreiser. The Director of Sales at Porsche Motorsport presented Bastian Buus with the winners' trophy. Oliver Schwab, Project Manager of the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup, added: "Congratulations to BWT Lechner Racing. To win the driver's title with Dylan Pereira, the rookie title with Bastian Buus and also the team title is a huge achievement. Congratulations, too, to Roar Lindland for claiming his fourth



ProAm title. I'd also like to thank all the other teams and every single team member for an extremely gripping and highly professional 30th Supercup season."

## Dylan Pereira, the 2022 Supercup champion

To some degree, Dylan Pereira was born with a passion for motor racing: His father Guillaume, who immigrated to Luxembourg from Portugal, raced karts with success. It's almost logical that Pereira Junior would follow in his footsteps and climb aboard a kart at the age of ten. After claiming two titles in the Euro Winter Cup and contesting several seasons in the European and World Championships, his motorsport career path finally led him to GT racing.

In 2015, Dylan Pereira, who regards the Formula 1 world champions Ayrton Senna and Lewis Hamilton as role models, contested his first Supercup race in Austin, USA. To date, he has notched up eight race victories – the first in 2019 at Hockenheim. In addition, the three-time Luxembourg "Motorsports Person of the Year" has also tackled endurance races, including the 24 Hours of Le Mans. He sees his future here: "My sights are set on a works cockpit," says Pereira with confidence.

His unusual job allows him time to pursue this path: Although Dylan Pereira studied computer science, he is in fact employed by the Luxembourg Armed Forces – as a sports soldier in the elite squad for Olympic sporting disciplines.

#### Result race 8 Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup, Monza (Italy)

- 1. Bastian Buus (DK/BWT Lechner Racing), 30:37.642 minutes
- 2. Larry ten Voorde (NL/Team GP Elite), +5.036 seconds
- 3. Harry King (UK/BWT Lechner Racing), +5.370 seconds
- 4. Marvin Klein (F/CLRT), +5.457 seconds
- 5. Dylan Pereira (L/BWT Lechner Racing), +7.740 seconds
- 6. Dorian Boccolacci (F/Martinet by Alméras), +7.860 seconds

#### Final result 2022 Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup (after 8 races)

- 1. Dylan Pereira (L/BWT Lechner Racing), 147 points
- 2. Larry ten Voorde (NL/Team GP Elite), 139 points
- 3. Laurin Heinrich (D/SSR Huber Racing), 123 points
- 4. Bastian Buus (DK/BWT Lechner Racing), 122 points
- 5. Harry King (GB/BWT Lechner Racing), 109 points

Overall winner Teams' classification: BWT Lechner Racing (A) Overall winner Rookie classification: Bastian Buus (DK, BWT Lechner Racing)



Overall winner ProAm classification: Roar Lindland (N, Pierre Martinet by Alméras)

Full race results and championship standings: https://motorsports.porsche.com/international/en/category/mobil1supercup/pmsc-2022-results

# The qualifying

Instead, pole position goes to the second fastest qualifier, Frenchman Marvin Klein. The three favourites for the title, Luxembourger Dylan Pereira, Larry ten Voorde from the Netherlands and Porsche Junior Laurin Heinrich from Germany, secured positions three, five and seven on the grid. The final round of the Supercup season is contested as support to the Italian Grand Prix and gets underway on Sunday (11 September) at 11:50 am.

Championship leader Dylan Pereira has moved one step closer to claiming his first title in the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup. Driving for the BWT Lechner Racing team, the Luxembourger tackles the season finale of the international one-make cup with the Porsche 911 GT3 Cup from P3 – and thus in front of his two title rivals. Dutchman Larry ten Voorde from the GP Elite squad, the Supercup champion of the last two years, clocked the fifth fastest time in qualifying. Porsche Junior Laurin Heinrich from Germany planted the Porsche 911 GT3 Cup fielded by SSR Huber Racing on the seventh grid position.

"My goal isn't to win, I just can't afford to retire. I have teammates around me on the grid who will watch my back. It doesn't get better than that," says championship leader Pereira ahead of the 15-lap race on Sunday. "It'll be very difficult for me but I'll do my very best," vowed Larry ten Voorde. Ranking second in the standings, the Dutchman must finish at least second in the final race to have a chance of catching Pereira. Laurin Heinrich, on the other hand, is likely to focus on catching ten Voorde in the bid for second place. "I was at the top of the time sheets for a long stretch with my first set of tyres. When the others were even faster on fresh tyres, I didn't catch a decent slipstream at the decisive moment," reports the Porsche Junior, who tackles the final round ranking third overall, but has only an outside chance of taking home the title.

The fastest qualifier was Harry King from the BWT Lechner Racing squad. "I've come close a couple of times this season. I saved the best for last. It's a real shame that I can't start the race from pole position," commented the Englishman. King received a penalty at the previous Supercup race in Zandvoort due to a collision and was subsequently demoted to fourth place on the grid at Monza.

As a result, Marvin Klein, the second fastest qualifier, inherits pole position. "In Zandvoort, I started from pole and won. I hope I can repeat that here in Monza," said the Frenchman from the CLRT squad. Driving for the BWT Lechner Racing team, the Danish rookie Bastian Buus secured P3. Lining up on the third grid row alongside Larry ten Voorde is another rookie, Dutchman Loek Hartog, who competes for the Italian team Ombra.



#### The maths behind the title decision

Ahead of the last race of the year, championship leader Dylan Pereira holds an 18-point advantage over Larry ten Voorde. Porsche Junior Laurin Heinrich follows another two points behind in third place. Ten Voorde must win the final round (25 points) or come second (20 points) to even catch Pereira. Heinrich only has a chance at claiming the title if he wins.

If ten Voorde finishes first, Pereira will be crowned champion with ninth place (7 points) or better. Should ten Voorde finish second, Pereira needs at least 14th place (2 points). If Pereira and ten Voorde are tied for points, the title goes to Pereira, as he has one more win to his credit (3:2).

Should Heinrich win his second race of the season, the title is Pereira's as long as he crosses the finish line at least 11th (5 points). If Heinrich finishes second, Pereira retires and ten Voorde fails to win, then Heinrich and Pereira will be tied for points. In this case, Pereira will still be the 2022 Supercup champion due to the higher number of victories over the season.

If Dylan Pereira fails to score points on Sunday, a win would hand Larry ten Voorde his third Supercup title in a row. Second place would also be enough for the Dutchman if Heinrich does not win.

# Qualifying result, race 8 Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup, Monza (Italy)

- 1. Harry King (UK/BWT Lechner Racing), 1:48.753 minutes\*
- 2. Marvin Klein (France/CLRT), +0.092 seconds
- 3. Bastian Buus (Denmark/BWT Lechner Racing), +0.117 seconds
- 4. Dylan Pereira (Luxembourg/BWT Lechner Racing), +0.398 seconds
- 5. Larry ten Voorde (Netherlands/Team GP Elite), +0.403 seconds
- 6. Loek Hartog (Netherlands/Ombra SRL), +0.415 seconds

\* starts the race from P4 due to a penalty

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#### The preview

The fight for the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup title goes down to the wire between three drivers from three teams at the final round in Monza, Italy. As the championship leader, Luxembourger Dylan Pereira from the BWT Lechner Racing team is the man to beat. He heads to the last race of this year's international one-make cup with the Porsche 911 GT3 Cup holding an 18-point lead over the defending champion Larry ten Voorde. Driving for the GP Elite squad, the Dutchman is just two points



ahead of Porsche Junior Laurin Heinrich from Germany, who competes for SSR Huber Racing. The Supercup finale gets underway on Sunday (11 September 2022) at 11:50 am CEST.

Dylan Pereira is about 87 race kilometres away from claiming his first Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup title. The Luxembourger travels to the season finale at Monza as the leader of the championship standings. The finale on the storied racetrack runs over 15 laps at 5.793 kilometres each. A lead of 18 points means that even if Larry ten Voorde – who currently ranks second overall – wins, eighth place would be enough for him to take home the title. "I can win it all or I could lose it all – under no circumstances can I afford to retire," calculates Pereira. The statistics are in his favour: In the past seven races, he has consistently placed fourth or better in the Porsche 911 GT3 Cup. Moreover, Pereira has climbed to the top step of the podium already three times this season.

Number games also influence the tactics of Larry ten Voorde from the Netherlands. "I won six of the last seven races I contested at Monza," states the defending champion. The most recent was the 2021 finale. "Only victory counts for me on Sunday. There's nothing I can do about Dylan's performance, anyway." A win for ten Voorde, who also claimed the 2020 Supercup title, would be his second of this year's Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup.

Porsche Junior Laurin Heinrich, who is 20 points behind Pereira, takes a similar view. "A lot can happen in a race on a fast circuit like Monza. Although my chances are slim, I've not given up. I'm determined to secure my second win of the season," says the 20-year-old from Germany.

Roar Lindland heads to the eighth and final race feeling more relaxed than Dylan Pereira: Driving for the Pierre Martinet by Alméras outfit, the Norwegian leads the ProAm classification with a 24-point advantage. Only if Lindland fails to reach the finish line could he be caught by Frenchman Clément Mateu from the CLRT team. The decisions in the team and rookie categories were already made at the seventh and penultimate race last weekend. In the Dutch seaside town of Zandvoort, BWT Lechner Racing from Austria secured the team title with Denmark's Bastian Buus taking home the rookie crown.

"I'm looking forward to the finale in Monza and I'm hoping it'll be a gripping conclusion to the 30th Supercup season. With Dylan Pereira, Larry ten Voorde and Porsche Junior Laurin Heinrich we have three drivers chasing the title. These three have delivered the most consistent performances in the past seven races. Each would be a deserving Supercup champion," comments Oliver Schwab, Project Manager of the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup.

#### Autodromo Nazionale di Monza (Italy)

Opened in 1922, the Autodromo Nazionale di Monza in northern Italy is the third oldest permanent racetrack in the world. Originally, the Royal Park just outside Milan was home to a ten-kilometre-long track made up of two sections: a street circuit and an oval with banked corners. This layout resulted in very high speeds, which earned the Autodromo the name "Temple of Speed". The circuit of today was shortened to 5.793 kilometres and is still one of the world's fastest racetracks.



The Autodromo is regularely the venue where the highest speeds are achieved in the Supercup. In 2021, Frenchman Marvin Klein set the fastest lap with an average speed of 188.820 km/h.

## Der Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup im TV und im Internet

The final round of the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup takes off on Sunday (11 September 2022) at 11:50 pm CEST and runs over 15 laps. TV channels Eurosport and Sky Sport provide a live broadcast, with the streaming service f1tv.formula1.com also televising the race. Media and fans can also follow the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup action on the social media networks Twitter (@PorscheSupercup and @PorscheRaces), Instagram (@PorscheSupercup) and Facebook (@PorscheSupercup).

#### Schedule round 8, Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup (all times CEST)

Friday, 9 September 11:35 am – 12:20 pm: Practice

Saturday, 10 September 2:30 pm – 3.00 pm: Qualifying

Sunday, 11 September 11:50 am: Race (15 laps)

# Points' standings 2022 Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup (after 7 of 8 races)

- 1. Dylan Pereira (L/BWT Lechner Racing), 137 points
- 2. Larry ten Voorde (NL/Team GP Elite), 119 points
- 3. Laurin Heinrich (D/SSR Huber Racing), 117 points
- 4. Bastian Buus (DK/BWT Lechner Racing), 97 points
- 5. Harry King (GB/BWT Lechner Racing), 92 points

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#### 2022 Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup calendar

22 – 24 April, Imola (Italy)

- 26 29 May, Monte Carlo (Monaco)
- 01 03 July, Silverstone (Great Britain)



- 08 10 July, Spielberg (Austria)
- 22 24 July, Le Castellet (France)
- 26 28 August, Spa-Francorchamps (Belgium)
- 02 04 September, Zandvoort (Netherlands)
- 09 11 September, Monza (Italy)



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