



Star driver behind the wheel shows great pace

Former Formula 1 driver Jan Magnussen and the teams ordinary driver Anders Schildt teamed up for the 40 min dual driver event at Denmarks GP – Jyllandsringen 24-26th August.



Jan was happy to see the Healey had a lot less toggles and switches compared to the modern cars he regularly races.



Hi-tech race seat developed and manufactured in less than 30 minutes by Anders & Jan!

The team spent Friday evening to technically go through the car with special focus to the seat-insert to allow Jan to reach the steering wheel and full throttle.



Practice and qualifying

Jan drove the first practice session on Saturday morning and within 10 laps he found a steady pace and was lapping within a second of Anders pace from 2011. Anders then took the wheel for the qualifying and put the car on pole for cars of category F up to -65 and 7th overall on the grid.



Above: Jan reflecting over the cars handling and performance

Left: Jan charging hard and attracting a lot of interest from spectators and photographers.



"With a margin of about two seconds in qualifying to closest opponent in the -65 class we have a great starting point for the race" – commented Anders after qualifying.

"Jan will probably cut another second or two on his lap times so our average pace should be very good."



Pre-race pep talk to Anders by a driver with the right experience from Formula 1, LeMans, ALMS, STCC, DTC...you name it!



But...nothing lasts forever.

Anders started the race and instantly put the Healey from 7th to 4th before turn one when suddenly the engine gave up. There was nothing to do but return to the pits and challenge the disappointment.



The two drivers instantly agreed that revenge is the only option. So watch this space as Jan will be returning to his specially taylorred Healey seat in the future showing his true potential as a Healey driver. More to come...



Next race

The team is now back in the workshop and a new engine is currently being assembled. Unfortunately it takes a couple of weeks so the seasons finals at Falkenberg will not be attended.

The next race will be the Healey Drivers International – John Gott Memorial Trophy race at Castle Combe 6th of October in UK.

More than 30 Healeys will be participating and some seriously entertaining racing is guaranteed!



The John Gott Memorial Trophy!





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