DISAPPOINTMENT IN MEXICO CITY

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Frustrating Race for Mahindra in Mexico

Mahindra Racing left Mexico City with a heavy heart after a promising race yielded no points.

Our drivers, Nick Heidfeld and Felix Rosenqvist, started the Mexico City ePrix fourth and eighth respectively and were on course for a strong double points-finish and a potential podium.

However it all started to go wrong in the car change pit stop phase: Nick, who pitted while in second place, fell down the order as one team, who were three seconds under the minimum pit stop time, jumped the Mahindras with both of their cars.

Our two drivers started to recover through the field following troubles and penalties for those in front. However, in the closing stages of the race, Nick was tagged by Nico Prost in the iconic stadium section and was sent into a spin. With Nick now stationary and facing oncoming traffic, there was nothing Felix could do to avoid his teammate and he launched over the top of the sister M3Electro. The resulting damage ended his race immediately, while Nick was eventually able to continue and finished the race in 12th position.

The Mexico City ePrix once again proved the pace and superior energy management of the Mahindra Racing car, but unfortunate incidents outside the team’s control prevented us from reaping results truly deserving of the car.

Mahindra Racing has another opportunity to cement a double points-finish and a potential podium in less than six weeks at the return of the Monaco ePrix.
Mahindra Bear on his travels

Dilbagh speaks to Nicki Shields during the epic simulator showdown

Felix has complete focus as he takes on Olli Pahkala in the Mahindra Challenge

Nick and Felix meet the fans in Mexico

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Felix congratulates Olli on his win in the Mahindra Challenge

New sponsor Omologato joined us in Mexico City

Team photo time!
PAHKALA TRIUMPHANT

Olli Pahkala wins inaugural Mahindra Challenge

Professional sim racer Olli Pahkala joined us in Mexico to once again go head-to-head with Felix Rosenqvist in a simulator challenge. The Finn won both races held on a virtual Mexico City ePrix circuit and walked away with a GenZe Electric Scooter.

It wasn’t all bad news for Felix, who won the friendly two-lap Vegas eRace before the prize presentation.

The race was broadcast live on YouTube and Twitch and can be enjoyed again here.
“We left Mexico City with a broken heart. We were on course for a strong points haul once again but an unfortunate incident with another competitor destroyed our race. We were running in the top eight for most of the race and a podium was a distinct possibility for us. The pace of the car was once again clear, and it’s incredibly frustrating for us as a team to come away from two races without the results we deserve.

On 13 May Formula E will return for three races in Europe. First up is the return of the Monaco ePrix which should be a track that really suits the M3Electro. We’ll be pushing hard to make sure that we maximise our results and fight to take back third place in the Teams’ Championship.”
Wheel-to-wheel excitement at the start of the race!

WATCH: Olli and Felix do battle on the virtual track once more

BROWSE: Full Mexico City ePrix Facebook Image Gallery
Prost spun me quite hard at the end and the car was near un-driveable. I was able to keep going to finish the race. It’s not what you wish for when you pit in second place and it was just bad luck that the others messed up.
The race was going well before the crash. Both M3Electro cars were really good for the race and we were able to follow everyone and use less energy. The race didn’t really pan out in our favour but we were still up there fighting at the front.
Back in 2014, we began producing race-by-race posters that showcase our team around the world. Download the latest season three goodies here including our Mexico City ePrix poster.

Click here to purchase art prints at 0% mark-up with proceeds going to charity at our store on society6.
The FIA Formula E Championship returns to Monaco after a two year absence from the streets of Monte Carlo.

The electric racing series will return to the 1.9 kilometre track which will feature a brand new hairpin for season three before following on to the famous Tabac and Swimming Pool corners.

From there, Formula E visits four more countries including the double-headers in Berlin, New York and Montreal. In total, the 2016-17 season features 12 races in nine different exciting locations.
SEE YOU IN MONACO!