



Top Team Performance at Seasons Opener

Built in the 1970's the Scandinavian Raceway at Anderstorp is Sweden's only Formula 1 circuit – a power circuit with high cornering speeds, suiting the Big Healey ... and other powerful classics.

Anders, the teams' driver, qualified the Healey on pole ahead of a more powerful Ford Mustang and GT40 ... a great result.

A spectacular wheel-smoking start saw the Healey lead onto the 1 Km straight, but was out-powered by the Mustang slipping to second place by the second turn "I did my best to keep up with the Mustang and closed in the corners ... but lost out on the straights ... there was nothing I could do!"



32 cars of various origin joined in a very spectacular race.



A lightweight Jaguar E-type starting from the back of the grid with a fresh 370 bhp engine caught the Healey on the 7th lap, and despite Anders eventually overtaking the Mustang, the E-type powered its way to the chequered flag ... the Healey just 1 second behind ... a well deserved second place on the podium.



The second race's grid position was determined from the lap times in the first race. The Healey started from 4th ... the E-type, Mustang and GT40 all ahead. Håkan Schildt (Anders's brother) commented that it was a pity that race consistency was not reflected in the starting position ... but those are the rules!



Anders made another great start and kept up with the leaders through the first corner onto the straight, staying with them for the first couple of laps. A misunderstanding resulted in a collision between the Mustang and a slower car ... Anders took advantage of the situation passing both the Mustang and GT40 to take second place, which he held to the chequered flag, finishing 8 seconds behind the E-type.

It had been a good start to the 2012 season ... qualifying on pole and a double second place on the race podiums conquering more powerful machinery.



Some spectacular sideways action pleased the crowds.



Next race

Velodromloppet att Karlskoga Motorstadion 15th-17th of June is the teams next race. A typical Scandinavian circuit; rather small and twitchy.

"We might have an advantage here as power is less important than driver skills" says Erik Lindberg, team manager for the weekend.

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