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Soucek & Parente show great potential at VIR in a weekend dominated by the Continental GT3

Andy Soucek's debut at the Virginia International Raceway (VIR) has been a rollercoaster of emotions. Despite all the hard work put into preparation of the race and fine-tuning the set-up, an unfortunate accident ended the weekend prematurely for him.

A lot of effort was put into ensuring that both Soucek and Parente got used to the car's performance on this track, and the Bentley Continental GT3 showed great potential during testing & free practice. Qualifying on Saturday morning saw the #9 car ending up an encouraging P4 on the grid, lining up in the second row just beside its sister car #3.

Parente started the race with some great overtaking and was immediately fighting for P2, but in only the second turn of the very first lap he was involved in an incident, getting hit on his left side and crashing heavily into a concrete wall, which caused extensive damage. Although Parente was uninjured, the damage sustained effectively ended the weekend for Soucek & Parente.

The great results achieved by K-PAX with the #3 Continental GT3, with one overall victory and two wins in its class, are a clear sign of the car's great potential and that a double podium finish would have been within reach for car #9.

Soucek comments on his weekend:

"We knew from testing that we were going to be the car to beat at VIR. We have shown that in qualifying and practice we had a competitive car to fight for the win, and this is a track where we should have finished P1 and P2 with both of our cars which is even more frustrating.

Now the Team has a lot of work in preparation for Lime Rock and we hope to come back as strong as ever in one month for the next SprintX event."

The next race on Andy Soucek's schedule is a very special one, however: he will have the unique pleasure of driving a vintage Formula 1 BRM P153 from 1970 at the Monaco Historique Grand Prix.

More information on this event at <http://acm.mc/en/edition/grand-prix-de-monaco-historique-2018-edition-2/>



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