

Fast Test Has Frisselles Ready To Go In Alabama

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(26 July 05)— After completing a strong test with Synergy Racing in their RX.com BMW-Doran last week, Burt and Brian Frisselle are looking forward to this weekend's Porsche 250 presented by Bradley Arant for round eight of the 2005 Rolex Sports Car Series. The weekend marks the beginning of the second half of the Rolex season, and the young driver pairing are hoping to turn their luck around, as the brothers have had some competitive runs disrupted by some bad luck in the first half of their first season racing in Rolex competition together.

The Barber Motorsports Park facility outside of Birmingham, Alabama is a 2.3-mile natural terrain road course, and after posting a strong effort in the last race in Daytona, running in second place in the late stages of the race before a headlight failed and forced the car into the pits for repairs, the brothers are ready to get back to racing on a natural road course.

"The track is pretty impressive," said Burt. "There is a little bit of everything there with some slower technical corners as well as some higher-speed sections, and we feel like the test has given us some good momentum, and hopefully we can carry that into this weekend."

The brothers have made the most of the month long break since the last race to continue their intensive training regimes, which see them working out in the heat of the day in Miami in order to best prepare their bodies for the extreme heat that can be found in the closed-cockpit Daytona Prototypes, particularly when racing in Alabama in July.

"The heat is definitely going to be an issue for everyone," said Brian. "But we have been working hard to be prepared for it so that we can get the most out of ourselves and the car without letting the heat get to us. I feel so much better prepared to be in the heat now than I was even a few months ago, so hopefully it won't be a problem for us."

It isn't just the physical training that has the brothers feeling ready to go this weekend, as they have also been working to get the most out of their race car as well.

"The test we did was one of the best tests I think I have ever had, just because we know that we really improved the car and we just kept getting faster. We are really excited about this weekend because we have already shown that we can run up front with the other guys, but now we feel like we'll have even more for them, and hopefully we can get some good luck to fall our way," said Burt.

For rookie Brian, the weekend will be the first time that he's driven a Daytona Prototype on the circuit, but he's proven this season that he can find the fast way around a track in short order, and he expects that to not be an issue this weekend, either.

"We have a test day on Thursday at the track, so that will help a lot, and so far this season I have been able to just take a few laps early in the weekend to find my marks, and then just build up the speed from there."

As the youngest driver pairing in the top Daytona Prototype class of the Rolex Sports Car Series, Burt and Brian Frisselle have generated a lot of excitement about the future of American road racing. The two brothers, who are now based in Miami but have lived all across the country in California, Hawaii, and New Hampshire, have teamed with RX.com to race with one of Grand Am's most

successful teams in Synergy Racing. Burt has one year of Rolex competition under his belt, while younger brother Brian is in his rookie season in the top Daytona Prototype category.