

Frisselles Post Best Rolex Qualifying Effort to Date at Fontana

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Fontana, CA (2 April 05)—Burt and Brian Frisselle will line up sixth on the grid for the Ferrari Maserati 400 after Burt scored his best-ever Rolex qualifying effort with a 1:33.909-second lap of California Speedways 2.82-mile infield road course. The sixth place spot on the grid is the best of the season thus far for the Rx.com BMW-powered Doran after taking seventh in qualifying for the first two races of the season.

The fifteen-minute qualifying session saw Frisselle lead the pack out of the pits, allowing him to chase a fast lap clear of other traffic. Burt responded well, posting the fastest lap of the session on just his first lap, and improving his time once again on his second tour before a black flag for a competitors' spun car forced him back into the pits.

After a quick two-minute delay to clean up the debris, Frisselle headed back on track to set the teams fastest lap of the weekend, improving by over a second.

"I'm pretty happy with that result," said a smiling Burt. "I made a mistake on my second flying lap and I was pretty upset with myself, but I was glad we got the chance to go back out and that I could improve my time again."

Burt has one season of Rolex racing under his belt, but this is the first year that he has been responsible for qualifying the car, and the California-born talent is quick to admit that he is still getting used to the challenge in a category that regularly sees the top ten separated by just one second.

"I am still learning the best way to approach qualifying," said Frisselle. "It's a bit of a balancing act early in the session because the tires are cold, but the first few laps are where the most speed is, so you have to be aggressive to get a good time, but you also are on a knife edge to get the most out of the car. I might have left a little bit out there today, but overall, I'm pleased-not just with the starting position, but also with how good the car feels. I think the package is really good for race day, so I'm ready to go!"

Brian Frisselle, who practiced extensively in the car in the morning practice session, was also feeling good about how much progress Synergy Racing has made with the car this weekend.

"The cooling system is working well, we have some great braking in the car, and lots of torque for the infield, so hopefully we can get a good finish tomorrow," said Brian. "Burt did a great job during qualifying so we'd like to keep clear of any problems at the start and establish a good race pace to look for a good finish."

Round three of the Rolex Sports Car Series will be broadcast live on Speed Channel beginning at 4:00 pm EST on Sunday.

NOTES:

- Young Stars--At 21 and 24, the Frisselle brothers are the youngest driver pairing in the Daytona Prototype class.
- Burt and Brian participated in Fontana's "Fontana's Cruise Night," a car show just a few miles from the track. The brothers signed autographs from 6-7 p.m. along with drivers from the Ganassi team for the event. **"It was a lot of fun,"** said Brian. "They also had a pretty good collection of old hot-rods for the show, so it was cool to check those cars out."
- Video made the racing star—the Frisselle brothers are the subject of an ongoing film project, with the first installment following the two through their Daytona 24 debut available at www.frisselleracing.com .
- Unusual training—in addition to their normal physical training routines, Burt and Brian have also been keeping shape by playing **paint ball** on a regular basis.
- **Family Affair**—The Fontana race weekend is even more of a family event for the Frisselles—who regularly have their whole family at all the Rolex events. The brothers were born in the LA area, and still have extensive family in the area, with many of them on hand to support the young stars in the making. "Racing has always been a family activity for us," said Burt. "But this weekend its even better to have everyone from the area here at the track. It makes the race even more special to have everyone here, and hopefully they can see us do well!"

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