



Press release

2018 Formula One Johnnie Walker Belgian Grand Prix – Race – Sunday

Marcus Ericsson back in the points at Spa-Francorchamps

Weather: sunny/cloudy and dry, 17-18°C air, 25-30°C track

The 2018 FIA Formula One Belgian Grand Prix saw Alfa Romeo Sauber F1 Team driver Marcus Ericsson back in the points. Starting 13th, the Swedish driver made a good start and delivered a consistent and strong performance, fighting his way to P10. It was a disappointing race for Charles Leclerc. Starting in P12, the Monegasque driver had to retire after being caught up in a turn 1 collision that occurred between Niko Hülkenberg and Fernando Alonso.

The team is now travelling to Italy, where it will take part in the F1 Festival in Milan on Wednesday 29th of August, before heading into the Italian Grand Prix race weekend at the Autodromo Nazionale Monza.

The Alfa Romeo Sauber F1 Team currently holds 8th place in the Constructors' Championship. Charles Leclerc is in 15th, and Marcus Ericsson in 17th place in the Drivers' Championship.

Marcus Ericsson (car number 9):

C37 (Chassis 04/Ferrari)

Result: 10th. Start on soft tyres, after 26 laps change to supersoft tyres

"It was quite a positive race. I had a solid start, stayed out of trouble, and made some good decisions. Throughout the race, I had some interesting fights. The car felt good, and it is nice to finish the weekend with a point. The team did a great job, and we are encouraged as we go into the next race. We are heading to Monza now, which is Alfa Romeo's home race. It will be exciting to see all of the passionate fans there, and I look forward to racing again."

Charles Leclerc (car number 16):

C37 (Chassis 02/Ferrari)

Result: DNF. Start on soft tyres

"It was disappointing to end the race in such a way. Just after the start, I was caught up in an incident between two other drivers and had to retire from the race. I am now looking forward to the next race weekend at Monza. It will be an important one for us, especially with our Title Sponsor, Alfa Romeo, being such an iconic Italian brand. We will do our best to have a positive weekend there."

Frédéric Vasseur, Team Principal:

"It was a mixed race for us. Charles had to retire on the first lap due to an incident that took place between two other drivers. On the other hand, Marcus had a strong race and finished in P10, scoring another point for the team. He gave a consistent performance and did a good job. Our next stop is Monza, which will be an important race for us as a team. Our target is to continue making progress, and we aim to deliver a strong qualifying result with both of our drivers there."





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