



**Wolf Henzler** (#45-GT2 Porsche 911 GT3 RSR) 2 class wins. "We had a really good day today. The team did a fantastic job with first and second. It was an awesome day. After six hours when the Ferrari hit the 87 Porsche, our main competitors were out of the race. We decided to take it a little bit easier and bring the car home. I want to say thank you to the team and Jörg and Marc. I'm really looking forward to driving the car for the rest of the season."

**Marc Lieb** (#45-GT2 Porsche 911 GT3 RSR) 4 class wins. "The first stint was very interesting when we were really fighting against the Ferraris. We could put up a fight but it was very hard. Next was taking care of the car. To win this race after the last two disappointing seasons, it makes me very happy. The Lizards really deserve this victory because they have worked so hard over the years. The new car has a lot more down force in the front. That's the biggest improvement we made. It's a really big step compared to last year. We improved a lot and you could see that. This team puts a lot of effort into racing with Porsche. It goes down through the people who care for the tires to engineers. Everything is just running really well at the moment. Flying Lizard is one of the top teams in the world and deserves a win like this. This is the biggest win, to have this with Petit Le Mans from last year. It's a big relief."

**Jorg Bergmeister** (#45-GT2 Porsche 911 GT3 RSR) 20 class wins. "I'm really happy with the result. The big competitors we had for this year and a lot of bad luck and zero points. So that makes for a nice cushion. I was pretty amazed. We have been testing quite a lot and the car had no problems from beginning to end. It was actually a little boring in the car! You just had to run your pace and try to stay on the track and take care of the car as good as you can. I was closing the gap in my first stint. Unfortunately when the yellow came out we lost a lap. In a 12-hour race, it's easy to make that up."

**Jan Magnussen** (#3-GT1 Corvette C6.R) 6 overall wins, 16 class wins. "(Starting from the front) It's a very strong, positive race to start. It shows that we have the pace. Then it comes down to not making mistakes."

**Ron Fellows** (#3-GT1 Corvette C6.R) 26 class wins. "Doug Fehan calls Sebring our 'Bermuda Triangle.' It was one of those places that Corvette Racing was the last to win. We had some unfinished business. We had a really strong car at Road Atlanta and had some bad luck with Jan. We had a great race at Le Mans. All three of us feel that this is a great way to start. Le Mans is the next big prize we're going to shoot for. I'm just trying to keep up with these two guys. I'm thrilled to still be here. Le Mans is the big one. This is a great confidence builder for all of us and we definitely want another Le Mans."

**Johnny O'Connell** (#3-GT1 Corvette C6.R) 1 overall, 29 class wins. "We had a great pit stops. We made time on in laps and out laps. Anytime you beat your own team, you have to be pretty good. Everyone is really feeling positive about things. Last year there were a lot of races where I thought we were the dominant car and had a lot of bad luck. (on Sebring wins) It's huge. When I grew up, I had a lot of heroes. When you have some success you start to meet some of them. If you've ever had the chance to meet Phil Hill, he is everything good and proper about motor sports. He was what was wonderful about that era. You run across some of your heroes that you run across that are so full of themselves. But you meet someone like Phil Hill, he's one of the coolest cats around! You start to have a real understanding about what this race is. It took me a lot longer for me to get my seven than it took him to get his six. It was a big honor when I tied Phil. I don't know if mine will stand as long. There are so many great guys in factory teams. And I can't think of two finer gentlemen to share this race win with."

**Marco Werner** (#2-P1 Audi AG R10/TDI) "Maybe not what you expected today? Yes, it's just a class win – that's racing!" ... "At the beginning of the day we had trouble with the set-up. The rear was not stable. A few times in Turn 10, it was a problem for me. By mid-day the track came around and for a while I was doing great during my second stint. Then came trouble with the turbo. All those parts were really hot. Our team did a great job to get us back out – it was hot, hard work."



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**Rinaldo Capello** (#1-P1 Audi AG R10/TDI) 24 overall wins, 32 class wins. "I really did not enjoy to drive today because everytime I got in the car I had some problem, starting with the contact with the GT2 car. It was something I didn't expect. At Turn 1, the Flying Lizard did not see me and it was my mistake moving over too soon. When I was in the car for my third and fourth stint, I was impressed with how good the car was. From the third lap, the car was jumping left and right. I could not control it and we were losing three or four seconds a lap. We could see the car was behaving in a strange way. Tom did two stints and even he was having trouble. Once the team changed the pushrod, the car was as good as it was. To be honest when they gave the green I was surprised to see the Peugeot coming so strong. If I hadn't backed off, there would have been a touch or a crash. They were pulling away because they were faster at the beginning. At one stage we could keep their pace."

**Tom Kristensen** (#1-P1 Audi AG R10/TDI) 10 overall wins, 11 class wins. "It was a great race and great finish. We had these issues and we had to deal with them under green, which was very tough. Allan brought the car back from three laps down to two laps down. I went in the car one lap down and of course we really went for it. We needed something yellow, and not the yellow car. We needed the yellow flag to help us but it didn't come."

**Allan McNish** (#1-P1 Audi AG R10/TDI) 17 overall wins, 25 class wins. "We changed the (brake) discs and that cost us a couple of laps. When I came in at the end of the yellow and came back out, I was fighting out with the car and didn't want to give Peugeot the lap back. It can multiply rapidly and can be dangerous. It was all clean and tidy stuff. I saw Stephane afterward and I think he enjoyed it more than I did. At the end of the day, the competition is strong here and in Europe. I think we'll have a big hard fight. That's why I get up in the morning: to go racing and have good competition. Dindo and I have had a really good time racing in America and we'll miss it."

**Romain Dumas** (#7-P2 Porsche RS Spyder) 8 overall wins, 20 class wins. "It's a very, very big result for us. For myself, a few weeks ago I had a small problem and wasn't sure a week ago about running in the race. My plan was to run 25 laps to score points. But when you have great teammates going for the overall win, those plans can change. Audi made a small mistake, and so did the Peugeot. We were on the lead lap and thinking, 'Why not win.' Tim Cindric asked me if I wanted to stay in the car and told him he was the boss. The Acuras are very strong, just like they were a few weeks ago. Their car was very quick and saw that again. I think we will have a great championship. Today was just exceptional and I think the season will be. It will be very difficult to win so many races overall (as last year). I'm quite sure about that. Today was something special. Peugeot pushed Audi and that helped us."

**Timo Bernhard** (#7-P2 Porsche RS Spyder) 8 overall wins, 26 class wins. "My start was not too bad. I was fourth overall and leading P2 going into the first corner and had a good start. One of the Audis slowed down and had to shift down to lose a lot of momentum. A couple of cars overtook me, which was not my plan. I wanted to set my own pace and get into a rhythm. We saw that the Acuras were on a different strategy than us and double-stinting the tires. We had a consistent pace and we were concentrating on our thing. For us, the class was most important. We saw that from the beginning. I have to say thank you to Team Penske because they did a great job today. The strategy was really good and we had no problem with the RS Spyder. We were a perfect trio today and it was very important that the whole package was working. You were never sure where you would end up. Until the last hour we didn't know the strategy and if any others would have to make a late splash. It's great to win at Sebring. I have a lot of respect for that race. I won one time in 2004 but all the other times I was very close because something small happened. You can never know if everything else is working fine. You can never predict anything. In the end we proved that the Spyder is not just quick but also strong and reliable. Doing one quick lap is one thing but being quick in traffic is completely another. Sebring is the hardest race I've ever driven with the dusty track, wind and rain from yesterday. With these changing conditions you have to find a good setup and we did a really good job of it. (Turn 10) This track is very different and so special in a number of ways. When we made our setup we had a good car in Turn 1 and 17 but not so good in Turn 10 and Turn 13 and he other way at other times. But that is Sebring."

**Emmanuel Collard** (#7-P2 Porsche RS Spyder) 1 overall win, 3 class wins. "During my stint, I had absolutely no problem. The pace was good but it wasn't so easy through the traffic. The key today is that we ran without a problem - gearbox, engine and race strategy. That's why we won this race. I think it was bad luck for the No. 6 car. We were just focused on our race and did what we needed to do. It's a shame for Sascha and Patrick because this is a lot of points in the championship."

The book on this year's Sebring closes. See you at St. Pete.