



The streets of Adelaide await..

GB Galvanizing M Motorsport

Preview Rnd#2 Australian GT Championship presented by Pirelli (Clipsal, Adelaide SA)

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After an outstanding debut to his 2013 national GT campaign, dual Victorian Sportscar State Champion Justin McMillan heads to round two of the Australian GT Championship presented by Pirelli, on the daunting streets of Adelaide, but as he showed during round one at Bathurst, he's not daunted by the big stage..

"There's no denying that there was some level of trepidation heading to Bathurst for the first time, but we went with an experienced crew, with two experienced drivers, and the goal of completing laps," McMillan admitted. "In the end we achieved what we set out to achieve, and came out of Bathurst placed fifth in the championship heading to Adelaide, but where I had Richo [Steven Richards] and Ross [Lilley] to pace myself against there, I'm on my own in Adelaide, and I can't wait..!"

From opening practice at Mount Panorama the GB Galvanizing Gallardo LP600 was quick, and for experienced Bathurst veteran Steven Richards, he was impressed by McMillan's pace, but also his eagerness to listen and learn.

"Justin drove brilliantly all weekend," the new AGT DSO [driving standards observer] agreed. "He paced himself early and got quicker and quicker as the weekend wore on. Had we not suffered the gearbox issue, we could well have been inside the top five, so to debut that way, and come away from an event that was as difficult to negotiate as any I've ever contested with a straight car, was an almost perfect result."

Justin's debut on the streets of Adelaide won't be the M Motorsport teams only debut for the weekend, with new partners Interlloy Engineering Steels and Alloys and FUCHS Lubricants joining existing supporters GB Galvanizing, Strategy One Human Resources and Australian Post Tensioning for the first time at Clipsal.

"We're proud to have Interlloy and FUCHS join us for Clipsal and the remainder of the season," team manager Josh Hunt confirmed. "They will be welcome additions to the M Motorsport program, and we look forward to getting them involved more as the season wears on. And speaking of wearing, our new association with FUCHS will also see the car campaigning their range of high performance engine oils and lubricants in a technical alliance that we're really looking forward to developing.

"It is a big year for Justin and the team, and personally I'm impressed with his attitude heading to Clipsal. It's another tough circuit to debut on, but he's carrying good confidence over from Bathurst, and that's always good as a driver. We know the car is good, and we know his pace is good. I don't think he has any



immediate expectation going into the event, except to focus on finishing every lap of every session, and we'll be there as a team to support whatever he needs to do that.

"With the recent announcement about Craig Baird and Christian Klien joining the series, the series has gone to another level, which is exciting, but our aim will not to get caught up in that and stick to our program."

Opening practice for round two of the Australian GT Championship presented by Pirelli on the Adelaide street circuit is scheduled for 11:20am on Thursday, February 28, with qualifying at 5:15pm. The opening race (one hour enduro) is scheduled for 5:30pm on Saturday, March 2, with race tow (30-minutes) on Sunday morning at 9:45am.

Australian GT Championship presented by Pirelli GT Championship points (after round one of six)

1. Klark Quinn/Shane Van Gisbergen (54 points), 2. Peter Edwards/John Bowe/Allan Simonsen/Mika Salo (50), 3. Jim Manolios/Greg Murphy/Ivan Capelli (37), 4. Dean Koutsoumidis/Andrew McInnes/Simon Middleton/Darryl O'Young (30), 5. **Justin McMillan/Steven Richards/Ross Lilley** (28), 6. Tim Slade/Lee Holdsworth/Peter Hackett (26), 7. Craig Baird/Mok Weng Sun/Matt Griffin (25), 8. Rod Salmon/Craig Lowndes/Warren Luff (21), 9. Alex Roloff/Bernd Schneider/Thomas Jaeger (19), 10. Roger Lago/David Russell/Peter Kox (16), 11. Tony Quinn (12)

2013 Australian GT Championship presented by Pirelli - calendar

Rnd#1, 8-10 February - Bathurst 12-Hour, NSW

Rnd#2, 28 Feb - 3 March - Clipsal, Adelaide, SA

Rnd#3, 24-26 May - Phillip Island, Victoria

Rnd#4, 12-14 July - Sydney Motorsport Park, NSW

Rnd#5, 2-4 August - Queensland Raceway, Ipswich, QLD

Rnd#6, 8-10 November - Highland Motorsport Park, NZ

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