

Prototype Lites: Rayhall Sweeps Canadian Doubleheader

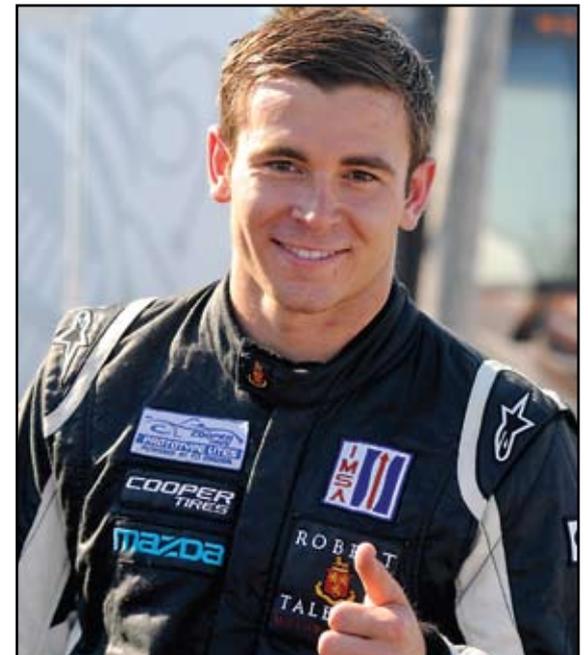
Editor's note: Rayhall is from Winston, GA and MSA is so proud of him!

Round eight of the Cooper Tires Prototype Lites Powered by Mazda was one to remember, as several of the series competitors delivered season-best finishes at Canadian Tire Motorsport Park in Canada on Sunday (July 21). Race two of the Mobil 1 SportsCar Grand Prix doubleheader featured the entire Lites 1 Masters podium was occupied by individuals who earned their highest placements of the 2013 season.

The top two overall spots were filled by usual suspects, as Sean Rayhall and Daniel Goldberg finished first and second respectively, with 8Star Motorsports' Christian Potolicchio joining the podium for the first time. Rayhall's victory was his second for the weekend and fourth for the season. The Compment Motor Sports driver regained the lead from rival Ryan Booth on lap five, having lost it at the start, and held on to take the checkers, after Booth experienced a mechanical issue.

"Great weekend here for the number 14 Robert Talbot Mazda," Rayhall said. "Really couldn't get any better with two poles and two wins. Big thanks to Racing Radios, Race Light Protection and 8 Star Motorsports for

helping me. I really need to thank everyone that's behind me, all my fans and everyone behind me for my program. Nothing better than coming to Canadian Tire Motorsport park for the first time and grabbing two wins."



Rayhall continued to pick up speed throughout the race for another record-breaking performance at Canadian Tire Motorsport Park. With a time of 1:14.920 on lap 29, the 18 year-old broke his own race lap record set on day one.

Rayhall was happy with his first experience at the 10-turn, 2.459-mile circuit, and was equally pleased to have Potolicchio join him on the podium. Rayhall works for 8Star Motorsports and actually serves as his driver coach. Father Enzo Potolicchio hugged his youngest son immediately after he exited his No. 2 entry, and was overjoyed as Potolicchio raised the trophy above his head.

"I have no words," Enzo Potolicchio said. "He's worked really hard. He's committed to doing this. His past experience has only been Skip Barber, so he's come a long way, and I'm so proud of him it's unbelievable."

(Photos by Joe Proietti, MSA)

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