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**Canadian Tire Motorsport Park Race Recap:
JDC-Miller MotorSports shine's in Canada at round seven of the IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar
Championship, but comes out short at the end.**

MINNEAPOLIS, MN. (July 11, 2016) Minneapolis, MN based JDC-Miller MotorSports with South African Stephen Simpson and Russian/Canadian teammate Misha Goikhberg drove a stellar race at Canadian Tire Motorsport Park, as the team led most of the way through round seven of the IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship Prototype Challenge class leading 105 of the 123 laps.

Simpson who qualified 3rd took the lead at the start and never looked back driving the majority of the 2 hours 45 minutes race before handing over the car to team Goikhberg for the final 20 minutes.

"It was another weekend where the whole JDC-Miller MotorSports team put in so much hard work and effort without reward," Stephen rued after the race. "We tried a different strategy this weekend with me qualifying because my teammate's wife was pregnant and expecting over the weekend, so Misha was at the hospital in Toronto throughout most of the weekend.

"The Canadian Tire Motorsports Park is a very challenging, old school race track with extreme elevation and surface changes and fast, blind corners. "It was my first time at the track and practice was disrupted with rain so we really only got the car dialed in when it was dry in qualifying and we made some more improvements during warm up for the race."

Simpson started 2nd after another Prototype Challenge class entry was moved to the back and took the lead right at the start already in lap one and extended a strong lead until the field concertinaed in a safety car period, he was able fending off various challenges from Prototype Challenge class rivals in a thrilling second half of the race maintaining the lead. The gap was often down to hundredths of seconds, but Simpson responded each time and handed the #85 Hi-Tide Boat Lifts / Red Line Oil / Justice Brothers, Inc. JDC-Miller MotorSports over to Goikhberg still in the lead for the final 20 minutes of the race.

"It was good to lead for so long and we collected decent points finishing 5th in the end — now we just need to turn that pace into our third win of the season," Stephen explained. Simpson and Goikhberg won the Rolex 24 hours at Daytona and the Long Beach Grand Prix street race earlier this season.

The team travels now to Lime Rock Park, CT for Round 8 of the IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship on the 22-23 of July.



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About JDC MotorSports / JDC Miller MotorSports:

Involved in formula car racing since its inception in 1994, JDC MotorSports has established itself as one of the leading junior open-wheel teams in North America. Initially making its mark in the F2000 class of club racing competition, JDC MotorSports was soon a team worth watching in the pro ranks. Expanding into the Pro Mazda in 2005, the Minnesota-based team remained focused on not only challenging for top honors, but also helping develop young drivers. Over the years, JDC MotorSports has won numerous races and championships. JDC captured both the driver and team titles in the 2007 Star Mazda Championship, with Rookie of the Year Dane Cameron scoring a series-high three wins. The Minnesota-based team followed that up with a second Star Mazda Championship title with Rookie of the Year Adam Christodoulou, and the F2000 Championship Series title with Chris Miller in 2009. JDC continued its winning ways one year later, earning the Rookie of the Year award in the Star Mazda Championship with Connor De Phillippi, and scoring a non-points win in the USF2000 National Championship with Mikhail Goikhberg. The junior formula car standout secured its third Star Mazda Championship title in 2011 with Tristan Vautier, in addition to scoring a win in the USF2000 National Championship with Luke Ellery, as well as making its Prototype Lites Championship debut, earning five podium finishes. JDC MotorSports added to its Star Mazda Championship win tally, USF2000 Championship podium total in 2012, and finished as the Prototype Lites Championship runner-up in 2012. In 2014 JDC MotorSports captured the Cooper Tires Prototype Lites driver and team champion with drivers Mikhail Goikhberg (2014 overall driver champion), Matt McMurry and Gerry Kraut. 2014 was also the first year JDC MotorSports entered under JDC-Miller MotorSports a program in the TUDOR United SportsCar Championship Prototype Challenge class, finishing 4th at its maiden race the 12 hours of Sebring and scored its first podium finishing 3rd at Road America. JDC Motorsports added to the tally in 2015 with another team and driver championship in Cooper Tires Prototype Lites Powered by Mazda. But there was more to celebrate along the way than the championship. In the 2015 Prototype Lites season, JDC Motorsports won every race and pole. In their second season competing in the TUDOR United SportsCar Championship Prototype Challenge fulltime driver Mikhail Goikhberg finished 4th overall in 2015 prototype challenge class driver championship including three podiums and the team's first pole position at LimeRock Park. In the current 2016 season JDC-Miller MotorSports WeatherTech SportsCar Championship Prototype Challenge already scored two victories in the season opening three races including winning the legendary Rolex 24 Hours of Daytona and is currently leading the drivers and team championship.

Attachments:

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Possible Caption: Minneapolis MN based JDC-Miller Motorsports remains the championship leader in the IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship.

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