

Great qualifying for Luis Salom (7th) at Indy Randy Krummenacher (13th) not satisfied

Luis Salom made a strong impression in qualifying of the Red Bull Indianapolis Grand Prix. In the last five minutes of the session, the Spaniard took his Aprilia to a respectable seventh position and will start tomorrow's race from the second row. Randy Krummenacher couldn't impress by technical problems during qualifying and had to settle for a spot on the fourth row and will start the race from the thirteenth place.

In the second free practice on Saturday morning both STIPA-Molenaar Racing GP riders were able to ride in the top 10. Randy Krummenacher came to the ninth position while teammate Luis Salom was just behind the Swiss in tenth place.

The qualifying went very well for Luis Salom. From the beginning, the Spaniard managed to maintain in the top 10. In the second part of the session Salom fell back to a fourteenth place but fought his way back to an excellent seventh place. Randy Krummenacher rode early in the session to third position. This gave hope for the rest of the session but electrical problems with the engine, the Swiss had to settle for a thirteenth starting position.

Randy Krummenacher (13th, 1:50,283):

"It is unfortunate that the engine wasn't cooperating during qualifying today. In the morning session there was nothing wrong with it and I could ride to a ninth place. After ten minutes in qualifying the engine didn't felt ok. I had to come into the garage several times to solve the problem. Unfortunately the session was too short to fix it and I had to be satisfied with a thirteen position. Of course I'm not satisfied with this spot but I have faith in the team that they will solve the problem so I can have a great race tomorrow. I need a good start and if I manage this I will be fighting for a least a top 8 position."

Luis Salom (7th, 1:49,938):

"Yesterday I had a good feeling during the free practice. This morning I was able to score again a top 10 place. I started well in qualifying but in the second part of the session I dropped out of the top 10. In the last minutes of the session I pushed hard and a seventh place is the result. I'm very glad that I've achieved the second row, which is certainly a good starting position for the race. Tomorrow during the race, I hope to get connected with the second group and fight for a top six place. "