

RC F GT3 Finishes on the Podium at Rolex 24 at Daytona

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DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (January 28, 2019) – Lexus and newly formed race team AIM VASSER SULLIVAN (AVS) opened the 2019 IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship season this weekend with top-five finishes for both Lexus RC F GT3s, including a second-place podium result for the AVS No. 12 Lexus.

The podium finish by AVS drivers Townsend Bell, Frankie Montecalvo, Jeff Segal and Aaron Telitz in the team's inaugural IMSA event marked the best finish in an endurance race for the RC F GT3 since joining IMSA's GTD class in 2017.

The No. 14 Lexus RC F GT3 finished fifth in the grueling 24-hour event, which had two red flag periods and multiple cautions due to heavy rain on the track. Co-drivers in the No. 14 Lexus included Nick Cassidy, Austin Cindric, Jack Hawksworth and Richard Heistand.

The AIM VASSER SULLIVAN Lexus RC F GT3s combined to lead a total of 53 laps during the 24-hour race with the No. 12 leading 31 laps and the No. 14 Lexus led 22 circuits around Daytona International Speedway's road course. Bell led 22 of the laps, while Cassidy (nine laps), Segal (nine), Hawksworth (eight) and Cindric (five) also paced the GTD class during the Rolex 24.

The Lexus RC F GT3 will return to racing action on March 16 in the Twelve Hours of Sebring at Florida's historic Sebring International Raceway.

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