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Adam quickest in qualifying

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ADAM Azman will kick off the first round of the Malaysian Super Series (MSS) Supercars Championship from pole position in today's race after coming home fastest lap in his Porsche GT3 at Sepang's 2.706-kilometre North Track in qualifying yesterday.

Adam leads the pack with a time of one minute 11.869 seconds, which was a shade faster than the 1:12.254s posted by last year's runner-up Aminuddin Omar on board a similar car.

Lining up third on the grid is Adam's G1-Symphony teammate Chin Jit Pyng also in a Porsche GT3.

Jit Pyng clocked 1:13.398s to pip 2002 champion Ron Lim, in a Revolution Racing's Mazda RX-7 to third spot.

Meanwhile, Sepang International Circuit (SIC) chairman Datuk Mokhzani Mahathir yesterday launched the Japan GT Championship Malaysian Round which is slated for June 18-19 at the Sepang Circuit.

Mokhzani, in his speech, said this year's event will feature various on track and off-track entertainment with the second round of the MSS run as a support event.

"With the whole affair finishing on Saturday night, people as far as Perlis, Terengganu, Johor and especially Singapore, can come down to Sepang to see what the Japan GT excitement is all about," said Mokhzani.

"They can use Sunday to make their way back or simply enjoy a rest day after an exhausting experience at the race."

Supercars: 1 Adam Azman (Porsche GT3) 1:11.869s, 2 Aminuddin Omar (Porsche GT3) 1:12.254s, 3 Chin Jit Pyng (Porsche GT3) 1:13.398s, 4 Ron Lim (Mazda RX7) 1:13.432s, 5 Eric Yeo (Mitsubishi Evo 7) 1:17.022s.

Super Sixteen: 1 Chong Fu Seong (Honda Civic) 1:21.288s, 2 Tony Teo (Honda Civic) 1:21.642s, 3 Chan Sau Wie (Honda Civic) 1:22.244s, 4 S. Ramesh (Honda Civic) 1:22.256s, 5 Kok Pak Chiang (Honda Civic EK9) 1:22.605s.

Superbikes: 1 Lee Ching Hooi (Yamaha R1) 1:10.978s, 2 Choong Chi Leong (Yamaha R1) 1:11.461s, 3 Rod Scott (Yamaha R1) 1:11.730s, 4 Poul Erik Jensen (Yamaha R1) 1:12.416s, 5 Tunku Johan Mansor (Ducati 999S) 1:13.038s.

Supersports: 1 Rod Scott (Yamaha R6) 1:12.738s, 2 Kenny Lee (Yamaha R6) 1:14.808s, 3 Andrew Boyce (Kawasaki ZX6) 1:15.068s, 4 Steve Ewan (Honda CBR) 1:15.166s, 5 Faez Yahaya (Kawasaki ZX6) 1:16.042s.

Production Bikes: 1 Iswan Azim Salihin (Yamaha) 1:23.557s, 2 Mirzam Mestori (Yamaha) 1:25.110s, 3 Chua Chee Tat (Yamaha) 1:27.005s, 4 R. Suresh (Yamaha) 1:27.475s, 5 Alien Wong (Yamaha) 1:27.535s.

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