

## F1600 FORMULA F Championship Series Road Atlanta, 12-13 April, Round 1

## Pole position for Rickards/Pelfrey/Mygale & 2 podiums for Team Pelfrey

For the first round of the season, 8 Mygale cars were lined up over 25 cars.

In race one qualifying, while the top five cars were separated by under a tenth of a second, it was **the new Mygale driver Garth Rickards** that narrowly **scored pole position** at Road Atlanta by .016 seconds over his team Pelfrey teammate **Ayla Agren**. Pelfrey's other teammate **Esteban Garzon** was sixth with **Sam Chastain/Chastain Motorsports/Mygale**, seventh, just under three tenths off the pole time of 1:29.343, a new F1600 track record at Road Atlanta.

In race one, though **polesitter Garth Rickards** was near the front for most of the green, he finally went **3rd under the checkered flag** for Team Pelfrey in a race that saw a 12-car pack at the front, while **Ayla Agren** finished fourth and **Steve Bamford**/Rice Race Prep completed the top five.

In race two qualifying, **Garth Rickards** missed the pole by 0.092 and started P2 in the following race. **Will Harvey**/Wisko Racing and **Steve Bamford** went 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>.

In the second, final and highly-competitive race of the week-end, **Garth Rickards** went wheel-to-wheel with the final winner in the closing stages of the race before a turn ten showdown. **Rickards** finally finished on 5<sup>th</sup> position, while his teammate **Ayla Agren**, **finished 3<sup>rd</sup>** and **Steve Bamford** followed in 4<sup>th</sup> place.

Next round scheduled to take place at Watkins Glen, May 16-18.



Garth Rickards

