

## Ginetta G50s Conquer 24 Hours of Silverstone



Stark Racing and Jemco Racing brought their Ginetta G50 cars home to take the flag at the conclusion of the new model's first ever 24 hour race finish.



Just fifty-three weeks after the bare bones of the prototype Ginetta G50 had its shakedown on Elvington airfield, two of the Yorkshire-built and developed cars completed the most grueling test a car can ever endure.



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The Ginetta 'works' car was eliminated at the start in an unfortunate accident but the two remaining cars remained strong throughout.



Jemco's drivers Kevin Hancock, Leigh Smart, Nick Reynolds, Craig Wilkins and David Cox had worked their way into fourth position overall thanks to a combination of strategy and pace, but mid-morning had a gearbox problem that dropped them down to 13th and 8th in class.



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With no further dramas, the crew steered to 8th overall and fifth in their Class 2 division.



Meanwhile, Ian Stinton, Neil Clark, Jamie Robinson and Paul Marsh in the Stark car ran problem-free throughout to cross the line in 7th overall and fourth in class, 16 laps ahead of Jemco.



"We've come here with a car that's brand new this year, straight out of the box and we've come seventh overall in the leading British race for 24 hour cars – what a great thing to do!" exclaimed a very satisfied Ian Stinton.



We just picked a nice pace to run at - not stress the car or the driver too much, the drivers haven't made any mistakes, the car's run faultlessly, we've got a standard GT4 car and we've finished the race!"



"I'm absolutely over the moon" Jemco's Craig Wilkins told GinettaCars.com. "My personal aim was to hopefully get the car to the finish - get the car where we can and see what happens!"

"A 24 hour race is the best development any car can have and I was blown away when we were running in 4th but despite the gearbox problem am really pleased to get to the end."

Ginetta have only ever had one other 24 hour event finish, back in 2004 at Zolder with a G27. The G50's success at lasting the duration is a great feat of endurance and is sure to be back out in more events in the future.

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