

24th February 2023**2023 BAHRAIN PRE-SEASON TESTING – DAY 2**Bahrain International Circuit, Bahrain - Length 5.412km
AT04 – 02 / Driver: AM – Yuki Tsunoda // PM – Nyck de Vries**Nyck de Vries #21 Time: 1:32.222 74 laps – 400.488 km Pos. 4th**

“It’s been another positive day, even though we had a red flag. The session was suspended, but we still managed to get through our programme. We were able to test quite a few things, so in terms of our day we are happy, and in terms of performance it is hard to say. We have one more day of testing tomorrow, so hopefully we can complete everything and put it all together for the race.”

Yuki Tsunoda #22 Time: 1:35.708 85 laps – 460.020 km Pos. 17th

“This morning we achieved the most laps compared to the rest of the field, so it was a good session. This also allowed us to catch up on our programme, as we fell short on the number of laps we wanted to run yesterday. Today we mainly focused on long runs where we found some limitations, but at the same time, there are positives to take from the good data we gathered for the race, which we can continue to build on tomorrow. Overall, I’m happy with my driving and feedback to the team, which is constantly improving. I will continue to work like this, and I’m excited to start working on short runs tomorrow.”

Jonathan Eddolls (Chief Race Engineer)

“Overall, we had a very productive day of testing. The car was very reliable and enabled us to complete 159 laps with no major issues. Yuki was in the car in the morning and, after the usual rake running to start with, he went straight into a race simulation to begin preparations for Round One. We completed a two-stop strategy and tested the new Pirelli C1 compound as part of that, to gather important data ahead of next week. Yuki closed the morning with some set-up work, trying to improve the balance in the hot conditions. Nyck took over in the afternoon and the focus was on aero work, trying some larger set-up items which we wouldn’t usually have the opportunity to test during the time-limited Free Practice sessions. Nyck then made very good progress with a series of new tyre runs towards the end of the day, finding lap time and improving on each set, which was great to see. The testing today has highlighted some areas of the car performance that we need to dig into deeper tonight through data analysis, so we can make changes and find even more performance for the final day of testing tomorrow.”

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