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MINI John Cooper Works Team Takes Three Podiums at the First Race of the 2021 SRO TC America Season Following Back-To-Back Manufacturers Titles

Racers Pombo and Williams proved they haven't lost a step at the Season Opener at Sonoma

Woodcliff Lake, NJ, March 11, 2021. MINI USA and the MINI John Cooper Works Team once again displayed their dominance in the 2021 SRO TC America series by taking three podiums during the weekend racing at Sonoma Raceway in Sonoma, Calif.

The racing weekend in Sonoma kicked off with Mark Pombo finishing the first race in second place, The second race of the weekend ended with both MINI JCW teammates on the podium with Mark Pombo finishing second again and Clayton Williams finishing third.

"I am very satisfied with the way the race weekend ended especially against such tough competition," said Luis Perocarpi, team owner, LAP Motorsports. "Mark and Clay had their hands full but managed to bring home some great results. We have a big announcement for the next event at COTA so stay tuned."

While there were no fans in attendance due to social distancing, both races were streamed live at YouTube.com/GTWorld. In addition, MINI John Cooper Works Team owner Luis Perocarpi and driver Mark Pombo provided live debriefings each session and also provide timing and scoring across the team's social media channels including Facebook and Instagram.

The MINI JCW Team had their usual fulltime race crew supported by one service technician from <u>Crevier MINI</u> in Santa Ana in the Western Region. These are the same

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The MINI John Cooper Works team won Manufacturers' title back to back years at TC America in 2019 and in 2020.

About the MINI JCW Team

The MINI JCW Team, operated by LAP Motorsports (@lapmotorsports), drives MINI's most powerful Hardtop ever in the two-door John Cooper Works. The team competes in the fiercely competitive SRO TC America Series. For additional information please visit minijcwteam.com or email luis@minijcwteam.com.

About MINI in the US

MINI is an independent brand of the BMW Group. In the United States, MINI USA operates as a business unit of BMW of North America, LLC, located in Woodcliff Lake, New Jersey and includes the marketing and sales organizations for the MINI brand. The MINI USA sales organization is represented in the U.S. through a network of 116 MINI passenger car dealers. MINI USA began selling vehicles in the U.S. in 2002 with the introduction of the MINI Cooper and MINI Cooper S Hardtops. Since then, the MINI Brand in the U.S. has grown to encompass a model range of five unique vehicles.

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