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**Event:** CRSExpress 300  
**Series:** NASCAR Pinty's Series  
**Location:** Autodrome Chaudière, Vallée-Jonction (QC)  
**Format:** 300 laps  
**Telecast:** RDS - July 9<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m.  
**Team:** Go FAS Racing  
**Start/Finish:** 2/2

**Montreal (Quebec, Canada) June 26, 2017** – After recording the 2<sup>nd</sup> fastest time in qualifying, the Autodrome Chaudière's favorite held a long battle Sunday to score 129 points and take the lead in the NASCAR Pinty's championship's standing.

“Another big battle for us today! The Can-Am-Kappa-Ford No. 32 was aggressive and quick to pursue the leader Lapcevich, but could not keep up to win the battle, ‘explains Alex Labbé, the young driver for Go FAS Racing.

From the first few laps, one could predict an arduous race with several rubbing door to door. With more than 250 laps to go, Alex calmed his ardor to get into the inside line and maintain the 3<sup>rd</sup> position. Few laps later, a mistake from the leader allows him to slip forward. On the heels of the leader, Alex is ahead of the latecomers despite the car getting loose. Thus, the driver maintained the 2<sup>nd</sup> position without giving a hard time to the leader.

At mid-race, a controlled pit stop allows the team to make some adjustments to the car's settings as well as to put on new tires and fuel.

Back on track, Alex opts for a strategy of patience. By letting Lapcevich lead the dance, Alex can manage his equipment. On the 4<sup>th</sup> restart, the Can-Am-Kappa-Ford's car took the lead, but after 2 laps in front of the defending champion title of 2016 returned to charge ahead of Labbé. At that time, it would be useless to push the car to its maximum since the remaining 42 laps promise a lot of actions.

With one lap to go, a driver loses control and neutralizes the race. The last restart gives Labbé a chance to take the lead, but the two laps in overtime are not enough. He has to settle for the second step on the podium.

"We lost the battle, but we won the war," added Alex Labbé, who took the lead in the NASCAR Pinty's Series championship standing.

The 300 laps presented by CRSEXPRESS will be broadcast on TSN, date to be confirmed and on RDS on July 9 at 2:30 pm.

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