

Mazda Motorsport today recorded a successful end to its Targa Wrest Point campaign with a class win for Brendan Reeves.

The final day didn't start off as planned with the Mazda3 MPS of Reeves and Vandenberg suffering a temporary electrical setback on the first of today's stages, dropping them from the overnight lead to seventh in the Showroom category.

This setback only encouraged Reeves to push harder and the Mazda3 MPS didn't miss a beat for the rest of the day as it was fastest on every remaining stage on its way to securing the Showroom title over a minute ahead of the Astra SRi Turbo of De Britt and Percy.

The dominance of Reeves and Vandenberg's performance is underlined by the fact that the Mazda3 MPS was fastest on all but one of the competitive stages at the event.

Brendan Reeves was clearly thrilled with the result. "The issues on today's first stage certainly threw the cat amongst the pigeons but even after losing that time, we were optimistic that the MPS had what it takes to grab back the lead. And we weren't disappointed. To win so many stages and come away with the Showroom title really speaks volumes for the quality of this car," he said.

Reeves' team mates, Steve Glenney and Bernie Webb, driving a Mazda RX-8 SP, finished an outstanding second in the Modern category.

A proud Mazda Motorsport boss, Allan Horsley, commented on the team's performance over the weekend. "To have secured a class win and second outright really points to the quality of both Brendan and Steve. But it's been a real team effort this weekend to ensure that everything was in place to give us the best chance of victory. We came up just short in the Modern category but the signs are good and we'll continue working hard to try and put ourselves ahead of the competition."

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