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Italy

First victory for Andrea Nucita in 2022

Sicilian driver Andrea Nucita and co-driver, Rudy Pollet, achieved their first official success of the year, winning the Maremma Trophy, the first round of the International Rally Cup, with a Škoda Fabia Rally2 Evo. // Page 7.

Germany

BLACK FALCON Team on all fronts

In 2022, the BLACK FALCON Team is involved in the eight rounds of the Porsche Endurance Trophy Nürburgring with at least four Porsches. The drivers of the BLACK FALCON Team TEXTAR will again compete in the ADAC GT4 Germany with a Porsche Cayman GT4 RS Clubsport. // Page 2.



Austria

FUCHS, loyal partner of the Rupert Hollaus Memorial Race

For the 19th time in a row, FUCHS Austria will sponsor the renowned Rupert Hollaus Memorial Race. More than 400 riders will participate in this event, among them FUCHS Head of Application Engineering, Markus Kollenz, and FUCHS rider Franky Zorn. In 2021, both won first place in the Gold Race in their respective classes. // Page 10.



Germany

BLACK FALCON with top-class NLS line-up in 2022

BLACK FALCON will compete in all rounds of the Nürburgring Endurance Series (NLS) with at least four Porsche brand cars. Three Porsche 992 GT3 Cup cars will be entered in the Porsche Endurance Trophy Nürburgring (CUP2 class). The team will bring a brand-new Porsche Cayman GT4 RS onto the grid in the SP10 class.

BLACK FALCON Team IDENTICA is again spearheading BLACK FALCON's efforts on the Nordschleife this season. The Porsche 992 GT3 Cup will be driven by Paul Harkema and Nordschleife pro Tobias Müller. At the NLS 12h race and the Nürburgring 24h race, the duo will be supported by three-time Porsche Carrera Cup Pro-Am champion, Carlos Rivas, and Noah Nagelsdiek.

The strong BLACK FALCON line-up is completed by two

more customer Porsche 992 GT3 Cup cars in the CUP2 class, one of which will be driven by Peter Ludwig, Noah Nagelsdiek, and Maik Rosenberg. The second one will fly the colors of FUCHS, and will be driven by Mustafa Mehmet Kaya, Gabriele Piana, and Mike Stursberg. The trio has been very successful in recent years with a Mercedes-AMG GT4, winning the SP8T class (NLS) and the Nürburgring 24h race, among others.

The team is bringing the most spectacular upgrade of the Porsche Cayman GT4 Clubsport to date. The Cayman GT4 RS will be driven in all NLS races (SP10 class) by Marco Müller, Carsten Palluth, and Tobias Wahl for the first three races. Later in the season, Martin Meenen will join as an additional driver.



Germany

Black Falcon achieves terrific team result at the NLS season opener

BLACK FALCON celebrated a brilliant debut in the new Porsche Endurance Trophy Nürburgring (PETN) at the season opener of the Nürburgring Endurance Series (NLS) with three Porsche 92 GT3 Cup cars and claimed second place in the Pro classification as well as a double victory in the Pro-Am classification in the two-division CUP2 class (Porsche 92 GT3 Cup one-make cup). In addition, the team celebrated class victory in the SP10 class (GT4 vehicles) at the Nordschleife premiere of the Porsche.

Head of Motorsport BLACK FALCON, Timo Frings, said: “A very eventful weekend for us! With our IDENTICA Porsche, we missed out on the day’s victory, but we pulled off an incredible recovery and now know that we can win in this very strong class. Of course, we are very happy about the double victory in the Pro-Am classification, a perfect start to the season. I’m particularly pleased that both cars fought for victory right to the end and that both driver pairings are capable of winning. A class win in the strong SP10 made the season opener an amazing experience for all. We didn’t expect this and are very proud of our performance. Many thanks to the entire team, our drivers, and partners for the successful start to the season. Not forgetting our fans who returned to the track. After two years with few or no spectators at the Nordschleife, the fans immediately provided the great atmosphere that we had missed. We are already looking forward to the second race of the season.”





Germany

BLACK FALCON Team returns to ADAC GT4 Germany

After a successful year in 2021, the BLACK FALCON Team TEXTAR will compete once again in the ADAC GT4 Germany. For this new season, the team is switching to a Porsche Cayman GT4 RS Clubsport, the most advanced version of the proven Porsche Cayman GT4 Clubsport to date. The brand-new RS model relies on the 4-litre engine from the Porsche 992 GT3 Cup as well as a 7-speed gearbox and is thus significantly more powerful than its predecessor. The car will be driven by BLACK FALCON GT4 Germany regulars Axel Saringen and Daniel Schwerfeld. The experienced duo will return to the Trophy classification, a class for

drivers aged 35 or older who have been classified by the FIA in the Bronze category. Saringen and Schwerfeld are competing with great ambitions after a successful debut season.

Head of Motorsport BLACK FALCON, Timo Frings, said: "After many successes with GT4 cars in endurance racing, we competed in a pure GT4 racing series for the first-time last season. With Axel and Daniel, we celebrated several podium finishes in the Trophy classification and have steadily improved. This year, we have a

more powerful car, which will especially benefit us in the duels, which are often close-run. Our goals are not only getting the first-class victory in the Trophy classification but also a top three result in the championship. We are already looking forward to the season opener at Oschersleben."

ADAC GT4 Germany calendar:
April 22-24: Motorsport Arena Oschersleben; May 20-22: Red Bull Ring (Austria); June 24-26: Zandvoort (Netherlands); July 5-7: Nürburgring; September 23-25: Sachsenring; October 21-23: Hockenheimring



South Africa

A fantastic race for Rusgenot Transport Team

Rusgenot Transport Team took part in the Trans-Atlantic 3-day inflatable powerboat event, covering a distance of 400 km on the West Coast of South Africa. The team, sponsored by FUCHS for five years in a row, is composed of driver, Marc Gleed, and co-driver, Dylan Bamberger, for this event.

The team took the lead right from the start of the first stage and finished two minutes ahead of their main opponent. An unfortunate mishap at the start of the second stage (the fuel line became disconnected) cost the team at least two minutes but thanks to their experience they immediately reconnected the fuel line to the engine and took all the risks to catch the leading group. They secured fourth position overall, approximately 45 seconds behind the overall stage winner. The afternoon circuit saw some extremely close high-speed racing with strong gusting winds. Marc had an incredibly close race with the lead changing on every lap, and finally finished second.

The first stage of day two was the longest and most challenging stage, with very strong head winds. "We were in for a tough run down to Yzerfontein, having to pound through large rolling swell. After a few close calls, we

managed third position in our class and still held on to the overall modified class lead. In the afternoon's surf racing, we finished second in front of a large crowd of spectators."

Day three was a fantastic race for the team, who slotted into third position at the start. "The race was very close amongst the top three boats in our class. We took the overall lead on the last beach stop and finished first overall," said Marc. "After three days of hard racing in tough conditions, we had emerged as the overall modified class winners. We were happy with this result, as this was our third consecutive overall class win in this grueling event. A big thank you to FUCHS South Africa for the outstanding support received. All our focus and preparations are firmly set on the second round of the championship, which will take place in Struisbaai on May 28 and 29."

FUCHS lubricants: Silkolene PRO 2, Silkolene PRO SRG 75, Silkolene PRO PREP, Silkolene WASH OFF, Silkolene ENGINE CLEANER, Silkolene CARB CLEANER



Australia

Phil Lamattina fires up for first win in eight years

The second round of the Burson Auto Parts Top Fuel Championship took place at Mildura's Sunset Strip. Lamattina's FUCHS Lubricants Top Fuel dragster scorched to victory on the eighth mile, Phil Lamattina's first success since being hospitalized nearly eight years ago following a significant accident.

"I think I forgot how good it feels to win!" laughed local driver Lamattina. "Our team was successful with Kelly Bettes when I was not driving, but after personal setbacks and COVID-related delays, getting back on the top step of the podium feels amazing. Massive thanks to the crew, this is as much for them as it is for me. FUCHS Australia has been there through everything, a huge thanks."

Lamattina Team and long-time crew chief, Aaron Hambridge, worked hard to extract the best from the car aligned with the racetrack's condition. The team used all of its experience on the way to making it to a final-round showdown with Rapisarda Auto Sport International's Wayne Newby.

An amazing final-round race came down to mere centimeters at the finish line, with Lamattina's 3.19-second pass beating out Wayne Newby's 3.20-second run. Teammate Shane Olive was also successful with his first-round win and set a new track record of 3.17 seconds at more than 420 km per hour, with the Burson Top Fuel dragster.

Lamattina concluded: "It was great seeing Shane and his crew getting results as well as the team, we are really on the right track. Out of all the rounds that I wanted to win, this one was it. I got to win in my hometown with my whole family watching from the hill."

The Burson Auto Parts Top Fuel Championship will now head to Perth Motorplex for round three of the championship.

FUCHS lubricant: FUCHS TITAN Nitro





Italy

FUCHS and Nucita together again in the IRC

FUCHS and rally champion Andrea Nucita continue their partnership this season in the International Rally Cup.

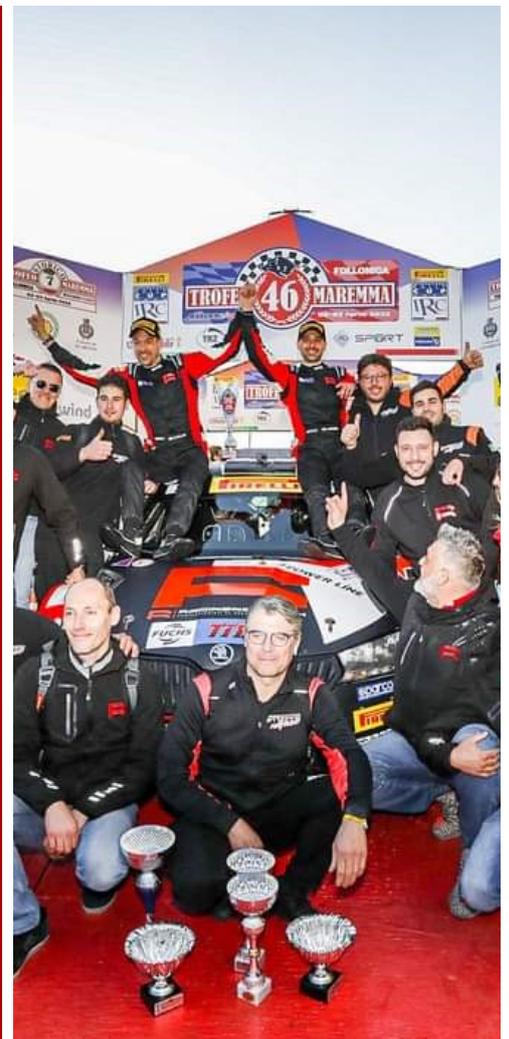
Nucita is a versatile driver capable of excelling in two and four-wheel drive cars. He has won three Italian rally titles (Junior, Production, and two-wheel drive) as well as local cups such as the 2020 Acisport Rally Cup Italia, the 2020 Third Zone Rally Cup, the 2019 Abarth Rally Cup, and the Aci Independent Cup 2013.

Andrea Nucita and his co-driver, Rudy Pollet, began the season with a victory in the Maremma Trophy, the first round of the International Rally Cup. The duo won with a Škoda Fabia Rally2 Evo made available by Erreffe Rally Team and lubricated with FUCHS TITAN engine oils, brake fluid, gearbox, and antifreeze. This result is a great omen for the continuation of the championship and a source of great satisfaction for FUCHS.

The FUCHS TITAN brand ambassador said: "It's a good team result. It's clear that we still have to perfect our performance, but we can say that we have started very well. I thank the whole team."

The next event, the 28th International Rally del Taro, is scheduled for May 28 and 29.

FUCHS lubricants: TITAN RACE PRO S 10W-60, TITAN SINTOPOID LS 75W-90, MAINTAIN DOT 4 HT, MAINTAIN BRAKE CLEANER





Italy and Argentina

Title celebration for Castagna in Argentina

Michele Paco Castagna was recently crowned champion in the Argentinean International Championship 2021-22, and 2021 vice-champion in the Campionato Italiano Speedway Individual (Italian Individual Speedway Championship). He has run for the Moto Club Olimpia Terenzano sponsored by FUCHS Italy for many seasons. In 2022, he will race in the Italian Individual Speedway Championship, in different European speedway rounds, and take part in the British Championship League for the Edinburgh Monarchs – a very renowned and successful team.

After the winter break, the Terenzano Speedway track welcomed the first two rounds of the Italian championship. Famous riders, such as 2021 champion, Nicolas Covatti, multi-finalist under-21 world champion, Nick Škorja, Anže Grmek, and Miran Praznik were on the starting line.

At the end of the two rounds, Michele Paco Castagna (28) won two third places and finished second overall in the provisional ranking of the championship. He is now leaving for Denmark for a Danish league match, after which he will

go to the UK for the English league, and finally he will be a serious contender in the European championship at the Debrecen Speedway track (Hungary) in May.

“The 2022 season is shaping up to be good for one main reason. I raced the 13 meetings of the Argentinean International Championship from December 2021 to February 2022. This was a great opportunity to continue racing during the winter months, something that not many European riders can do. I was happy to win this championship with ten wins, two second places, and only one withdrawal due to a dangerous track. Taking home the gold medal felt absolutely great. Regarding 2022 European commitments, I signed with Nordjysk Elite Speedway. I am satisfied with how I rode this year, and it’s great that the team manager feels the same. I’ve committed a lot to Denmark and hopefully it will show on the track as well.”

Italian Individual Speedway Championship calendar: April 9-10; May 21-22; June 25-26; September 17-18

FUCHS lubricants: Silkolene CASTORENE R 50 S, Silkolene CHAIN LUBE, Silkolene TITANIUM DRY LUBE, Silkolene BRAKE & CHAIN CLEANER, Silkolene WASH OFF



Great Britain

Ash Hand teams up with Power Maxed Racing's BTCC

Power Maxed Racing are very happy to announce that driver Ash Hand will join the team for his debut season in the KwikFit British Touring Car Championship. Ash started his racing career driving karts at the very young age of seven. After winning many championships, he accelerated his way into racing cars. Ash is a very talented driver with a spectacular history of multiple wins including the Renault UK Clio Cup and his most recent success of becoming the 2019 British GT4 champion. Although having raced for many years in various disciplines and on famous tracks all over Europe, he still wanted to race in the prestigious BTCC. He has engaged tirelessly in discussions alongside the team principal of PMR, Adam Weaver, for the last few years, helping to put a package together and make that dream a reality. For the past couple of years, he was focused on fatherhood but is now hungrier than

ever to get back into a racecar. He makes his return to racing in the pinnacle of UK motorsport, proudly running with his local PMR Team.

Adam Weaver said: "He is just a great guy. I absolutely loved watching the Clio Cup in between BTCC races and the battles between Ash Sutton and Ash Hand. It was just incredible. I know Ash and his teammate, Michael "Creesy" Crees, will get on brilliantly. It's everything we have been working towards and I have never been this excited about the BTCC year ahead."

FUCHS lubricants: TITAN RACE PRO S, TITAN SINTOPOID LS 75W-140, TITAN RACE CVJ Grease, TITAN RACE WB Grease

From left to right: Markus Kollenz and Franky Zorn



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Austria

FUCHS riders ready to run in the Rupert Hollaus Memorial Race

On August 27 and 28, hundreds of motorbike enthusiasts will once again display sensational racing action in the 19th International Rupert Hollaus Memorial Race at the Red Bull Ring.

Since 2004, IG Formel Classic – a small motorsports club – has been organizing the Racing Days in memory of the former Austrian world champion and TT winner, Rupert Hollaus. From 2004 to 2010, this event took place at the Salzburgring, and since 2011 at the modern Red Bull Ring, where Formula 1 or MotoGP are also guests every year. More than 400 riders will once again be fighting for the podium in the various racing classes.

The event will host vehicles from the smallest historic racing 50 cc classes to modern superbikes such as Ducati Panigale or Aprilia RSV and historic and modern sidecars. Ninety special trophies will be designed by Terschl Metal Technology.

Parades will round off the program, showing off special exhibits and racing drivers. The event will welcome legend riders like Phil Read, Jim Redman, Luigi Taveri, Dieter Braun, Freddie Spencer, and Giacomo “Ago” Agostini. “Ago”, the 15-time world champion, who is celebrating his 80th birthday this year, will run a few laps with his legendary MV Agusta 3-cylinder.

FUCHS Head of Application Engineering, Markus Kollenz, will participate in this sensational race with world championship Yamaha TZ 250 (1990). FUCHS rider, Franky Zorn, will race with a Yamaha RD 350 YPVS (1981).

FUCHS Austria is the official partner of the Rupert Hollaus Memorial Race for the 19th time in a row.

FUCHS lubricants: Silkolene PRO 2, Silkolene PRO CHAIN LUBE, Silkolene ALL-IN-ONE, Silkolene PRO RSF 2,5WT

