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Germany

Two class victories for the Black Falcon AMG team at the Nürburgring

The Black Falcon AMG team sponsored by FUCHS SCHMIERSTOFFE GMBH raced through an exciting adventure on the legendary Nürburgring track in the ADAC Zurich 24-hour Race. On this 25-kilometer track – the longest race track in the world – the competitors were racing at full speed for 24 hours pushing both the engines and themselves to the limit in front of 205,000 spectators.

For the Black Falcon AMG team the 45th edition ended with two more class victories added to their already impressive track record. The manufacturer, too, was proud having once again scored the highest-placed finish for the Mercedes brand – 5th place overall. The team's three Mercedes saw the checkered flag after 24 hours of racing with so many breath-taking battles. The result was sweetened further by the wins in the V6 and

SP10 classes. The win in V6 was the third in a row for a Black Falcon team TMD Friction Porsche 911 at the 24 hours at the Nürburgring. Victory in the SP10 class was the first with their Porsche Cayman.

After the race, Sean-Paul Breslin, Black Falcon Team Principal, commented: "I'm really happy with the job the team has done at the toughest 24-hour Race. We can be proud of what we've achieved here during this race." Backing up Sean-Paul's statement, Alexander Böhm, Team Principal of Black Falcon team TMD Friction, added: "As in the past years, the team has shown tireless dedication and a great performance. This was rewarded with the third V6 class victory in a row and the first class victory in the SP10 at the 24-hour Race. I am proud of the team and would like to thank everyone who has been working for Black Falcon this weekend."



Czech Republic

Václav Milík fascinates the crowd in Prague

The FIM Speedway GP took place at Prague's Markéta stadium in June. Václav Milík, a member of the FUCHS Silkolene Racing team, was nominated for a wild card in this race. He shone with 3rd place in front of an extremely enthusiastic crowd who had turned up to this event. There hadn't been a Czech rider on this podium for 20 years.

Václav Milík Junior continues the family tradition as his father already was a famous speedway rider. Václav lived up to his success in Polish Speedway Extra League and races for Betard Sparta Club in Wrocław. He regularly appears on Czech Speedway Ovals and has won the Czech Singles Championship. In Prague, during the fourth of the twelve rounds of the FIM Speedway GP 2017, he dominated the heats, won 2nd place in the semi-final and qualified for the final. Despite a leg injury not yet properly cured Václav won 3rd place among the world's best riders. The winner was Jason Doyle from down-under, a successor to the legendary Jason Crump. 2nd place was secured by Greg Hancock – 47-year-old American – thus giving the perfect answer to all who had already sent him into retirement.

The Václav Milík's modest words immediately after the podium ceremony expressing his enthusiasm were: "It is a great result for me. It was already my fourth time racing in the Czech Speedway GP and together with my team, we have done a good job today."

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Czech Republic

Podiums for Pavel Müller

Supported by FUCHS OIL CORP. (CZ) SPOL. S.R.O. for the third consecutive year, Pavel Müller races in the Slovakia Karting Cup and the Moravia Cup in 2017.

Son of a loyal FUCHS customer, the 16-year-old kart driver has had a successful season in the Slovakia Karting Cup with 3rd place in Bruck an der Leitha (Germany) and 2nd place in Třebatice (Czech Republic). He won 7th place in Bruck an der Leitha in the Moravia Cup.

He started racing at the age of five and he is currently the youngest competitor in the KZ Junior category.

Pavel uses FUCHS Silkolene PRO KR2 for his kart powered by a highly tuned TM engine.

Singapore

A successful awareness event for FUCHS

Subaru Club Singapore organised a massive club meet up at the newly opened Carros Center, the largest Automobile Hub in Singapore.

“We had the pleasure to be invited to showcase our products in this meet up together with other merchants e.g. Monster Energy, VP Racing and Motor Image Singapore (Subaru authorised dealer),” explained Shawn Tan from FUCHS LUBRICANTS PTE. LTD.

We were presented with our partners to generate brand awareness among local car enthusiasts. This gathering does not only attract Subaru cars, it has also encouraged other car brands enthusiast to be present too. ‘Herr Bert’ showed his presence during this meet up and made this event more entertaining for children and families.”





Slovenia

32nd FUCHS RALLY VELENJE: a convincing success

For the fourth consecutive time, FUCHS MAZIVA LSL D.O.O. is the main sponsor of the FUCHS RALLY VELENJE, the biggest motorsport event in Slovenia organized by AMTK Velenje. This championship combines the Slovenian Rally Championship and the Mitropa Rally Cup and hosted 76 crews coming from Slovenia, Croatia, Hungary, Italy, Austria, Germany and the Czech Republic. These drivers competed in ten very tricky special stages over 220 km including the very popular super special stage held in the city center of Velenje. For the second consecutive year, Rok Turk and Blanka Kacin (Peugeot 208 T16) won this sporting event in front of 30,000 spectators. The battle was very intense and the lead over their main rivals – the Hungarians Krisztian Hideg and Istvan Kerek (Mitsubishi Lancer EVO IX) – was very small.

Due to a time penalty, the Hungarians finished in 4th position. The 2nd and the 3rd place were held by Gassner-Thannhäuser (Mitsubishi Lancer EVO X) and De Cecco-Campeis (Hyundai i20 R5).

“We decided to sponsor this rally because it is the biggest in Slovenia with quite a lot of publicity. It is also located in the part of Slovenia where a lot of industrial companies are situated. This sporting event is very popular and welcomes a lot of our customers and potential business partners in the area. It is a very good opportunity for FUCHS to strengthen the brand at this type of marketing event. The presence of motorsport media is a real advantage,” explained Martina Fink Dimec, FUCHS Business Development Manager.



South Africa

Ramsay celebrates two podiums at VW Challenge Coastal round

Lyle Ramsay's 2017 Comsol VW Challenge class B Championship pursuit took a solid step forward following a successful third round at the Border Motorsport – East London Grand Prix Circuit – in May. The qualifying round saw the FUCHS LUBRICANTS SOUTH AFRICA sponsored Monroe Racing team driver claiming 3rd place. In the first race over ten laps, the 21-year-old driver settled in the 3rd position. In the second race he won 2nd place on the podium after an intense battle. "Race two was really tough and I'd like to congratulate my competitor on his win. I pushed him very hard throughout the race but he never made a single mistake, which prevented me from making a safe pass, even though I have the advantage of using FUCHS lubricants for my vehicle. I have used the bulk of the FUCHS products since I joined Monroe Racing team at the start of the 2015 season for the Engen VW Cup. However, since 2012, I have raced with FUCHS BRAKE FLUID in both my former Golf and Polo in the VW Challenge which included my championship victory in the 2014 season," said Lyle.

The Monroe Racing driver finished 5th overall and 2nd in class B, following an eventful day in the Coastal round of this single manufacturer championship.

The next round of the Comsol VW Challenge Championship will see the team making their second visit to Zwartkops Raceway for the season.

FUCHS lubricants: TITAN GT1 SAE 5W-40, TITAN ATF 6000 SL, TITAN SUPERGEAR MC SAE 75W-90





France

FUCHS at the heart of the races of the French Rally Championship

Official partner of the 2017 French Rally Championship, FUCHS LUBRIFIANT FRANCE S.A. was present at the second round, a great motorsport event.

The 20th edition of the Rally of Diois took place over three days at the beginning of June in the Drôme region and comprised the Historic Rally and the Peugeot 208 Cup. 124 skilled competitors set out for the six special 125 km stages on dirt roads and very difficult route profile. The track was kept secret until few hours before the start and the teams did only one lap on the circuit before the race began.

The presence of prestigious drivers like Lionel Baud (Ford Focus), Cyrille Feraud (Citroen C4 WRC) Richard Frau (Ford Fiesta R5) and the 2016 winner,

Julien Maurin (Citroen DS3) attracted a large crowd. “Good visibility of the FUCHS brand on the start and finish line, the FUCHS logo on all the cars and along the track have boosted our commercial activities in the region. We welcomed the FUCHS customers under optimal conditions in our VIP tent. The race atmosphere was always friendly and pleasant at this event and our customers were charmed by the championship,” explained Jean-Paul Bruyère, FUCHS Regional Sales Representative. “Cedric Ginier, President of the ‘Association Terre de France’ (the organizers) and driver, had the FUCHS logo on his car (206 RC – Group FA). A gesture greatly appreciated by our clients, garage owners and carriers.”



Great Britain

Triumph for Williams and James

The 2017 FUCHS LUBRICANTS R.A.C. Historic Asphalt Rally Championship organised by the Roger Albert Clark Rally Motor Club is a dedicated asphalt championship for all categories of historic stage rally cars. Neil Williams and Peter James headed the championship in round three's Mini Epynt Stages (Powys, Wales).

Despite particularly demanding conditions, Williams remained in control with a masterful display and his established pace on Epynt ensured his second R.A.C. Championship win from three events. "We had the wrong tyres for the rain on the first stage and then had a spin and a stall on stage seven," said Williams.

In fact, the time lost on the penultimate stage could have cost him his overall victory.



Great Britain

Challenging times for Adam Morgan in BTCC

FUCHS sponsored Ciceley Motorsport driver Adam Morgan is currently lying 10th in the standings. This is following a dramatic race at Oulton where his racing was cut short due to an engine fire – fortunately Adam escaped unhurt. After a finish of 12th position in race three at Croft circuit, he vowed: "We'll be back at the front at Snetterton and we are aiming for podiums and wins."

FUCHS lubricants: TITAN RACE GEAR OIL SPECIAL, TITAN PRO RACE BRAKE FLUID, MAINTAIN BRAKE CLEANER



Great Britain

4X ProTour at Fort William

FUCHS Silkolene sponsored world number 1, 4X cyclist Scott Beaumont, who has completed one of his most important races on the 2017 calendar. The 4X ProTour round in Fort William, Scotland. This event attracts thousands of fans who flock to the Scottish Highlands to watch the 4X ProTour, Downhill World Cup. In his qualifying run, Scott looked like one of the quickest in the race until the last turn where he ran off line and almost crashed. Having to roll through the final jump Scott lost a lot of time but still managed to finish in 5th place.

The semi-final saw him secure 3rd which gave him an overall 6th place. Scott reported: "I am pretty disappointed with 6th but at the same time happy with how I rode. That was a race where anyone could have won but I gave it all and 6th was the result. We have a few weeks now to prepare for the next round in Czech Republic."

FUCHS lubricants: Silkolene CYCLE EVERDAY LUBE, Silkolene CYCLE WET LUBE, Silkolene CYCLE DRY LUBE, Silkolene CYCLE RSF, Silkolene WASH-OFF



Great Britain

An honorable 10th place for Michael Watson at Preston

Riding with FUCHS Silkolene sponsored Kestrel Honda MX team, Michael 'Mikey' Watson has been racing with this MX team since last year. The third round of the Pirelli British Masters MX took place in Preston Docks, Lancashire. 'Mikey' had a good couple of laps in the qualifiers achieving 10th place – only five seconds away from the top 3 riders. Hoping for a good result in the last race, 'Mikey' had a really good start. Ten minutes in, the race was red flagged and then restarted. 'Mikey' said: "I had a good start and was around 4th place. I stayed in the top 5 for a lap then lost a couple of places. I was battling for 9th place for half the race and fought it out until the finish line but another rider passed me on the last corner so I finished 10th which I was happy with. I managed a 12th overall."

FUCHS lubricants: Silkolene PRO 4 ENERGY 10W-30, Silkolene GEAR OIL LIGHT, Silkolene FOAM FILTER CLEANER, Silkolene FOAM FILTER OIL, Silkolene CHAIN LUBE SPRAY



Great Britain

Excellent performance by Brad Vicars

FUCHS Silkolene sponsored rider Brad Vicars raced on a wet Cookstown circuit, Northern Ireland. During the weekend, Brad rode in the 600 Invitation race in which he finished 14th. The fact that he was invited to the race reflects the growing interest and respect that the racing world is now showing him. His next race was the 600 B final and after a good start Brad was 2nd on the second lap when the red flag came out. At the restart, Brad once again got a lightning start from 5th on the grid and took the lead on the brakes into the first corner, he then led the race until the checkered flag. A fantastic win to boost his confidence. The last race was the second open race and with Brad's confidence high he rode a great race to finish 5th.

FUCHS lubricants: Silkolene PRO 4 10W-40 XP, Silkolene PRO CHAIN LUBE SPRAY, Silkolene PRO RG2, Silkolene WASH-OFF, Silkolene PRO PREP SPRAY, MAINTAIN BRAKE CLEANER





Great Britain

Isle of Man TT 2017: great performance for teams FUCHS

The FUCHS Silkolene brand was represented by a few teams in different categories in this challenging track of 37 miles through bends, jumps and stone walls.

“The skill, bravery and concentration levels required are immense with speeds approaching 200mph,” explained the organizers.

Peter Hickman and the Smiths Racing team had a stream of stunning finishes with four podiums: 2nd in the Senior TT, 2nd in the RL 360 Quantum Superstock TT, 2nd in the RST Superbike TT and 3rd in the Supersport TT 1. The Smiths Racing team were also awarded the ‘Joey Dunlop TT Championship Trophy 2017’ in recognition for the team’s effort and results.

FUCHS Silkolene sponsored other riders like Michael Rutter (6th in Superbike), David Johnson and Josh Brookes of the Norton Racing team (7th and 8th in the Superbike Race – 6th and 7th in the Senior TT), Ivan Lintin of the Devitt RC Express team (4th in the Lightweight TT), Dan Cooper of the Dan Cooper Racing team (19th in the Supersport TT 1) and Dan Hegarty of the Top Gun Racing team (20th in the Supersport TT 1).

In the sidecar category, FUCHS Silkolene secured another podium with Dave Molyneux and Dan Sayle who claimed 3rd place in the Sure Sidecar TT 1. The Honda Klaffi Racing team with Tim Reeves and Mark Wilkes won the 5th in the Sure Sidecar TT 1.



Great Britain

Jurica Pavlic tests new Jawa offset engine in Croatia

FUCHS Silkolene sponsored Revolution Speedway have recently moved to Gorican in Croatia to continue their important test and development of the brand new 2017 Jawa offset engine.

The Gorican track is a fantastic purpose-built Speedway track and stadium that has played host to many important race meetings over recent years including World Championship and European Championship rounds and qualifying meetings. The trip to Croatia put the Jawa and Jurica through their paces on the Croatian’s home track.

All of this comes ahead of the SEC Challenge which Jurica will compete in for a place in this year’s Speedway European Championship. It is an extremely tough race meeting with some of the world’s best riders competing for only a handful of places.

FUCHS lubricants: Silkolene CASTORENE R50S, Silkolene ALL-IN-ONE SPRAY, Silkolene BRAKE CLEANER SPRAY, Silkolene CHAIN CLEANER SPRAY, Silkolene CHAIN LUBE SPRAY, Silkolene PRO PREP SPRAY, Silkolene FOAM FILTER OIL SPRAY



Great Britain

Linus Sundström: the return

Linus Sundström has left the Gdansk team in the Nice 1 league and renewed with the team he used to race with (from 2013-2015). The 2016 Polish champion Stal Gorzow in the top flight PGE extraliga has had various problems due to injuries and the team called Linus to replace him.

"I helped them to win the league in 2014 for the first time in 31 years," said Linus. "I was very surprised when they called me. The topflight is where I want to be and race against the best riders in the world every week and I also know the track and the people in the Club from my previous years there so it feels a bit like 'coming home'. On the 7th May my team was down in Lonigo (Italy) for the GP qualifier quarterfinal. The top 7 qualified for the semi-final. We managed to finish shared 4th and qualified for the semi-final which will take place in Terenzano (Italy) soon. From that event there will also be seven riders qualifying for the final GP challenge event which will be held in Russia in September."

Linus Sundström and Elitserien Club Masarna have started the season pretty well with one win, one draw and one loss. "We won the home meeting against league title favourites Vetlanda. I'm currently the 2nd best Swedish rider in the league."

In Allsvenskan with his new team Vargarna Norrköping, Linus won one out of the three events.

"The track in Norrköping is a very tricky one with very tight corners so I had to turn the bike really hard. I have done okay for them so far but there is room for improvement and it will take some time to get used to the home track."

