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PRMiniracing team, exciting fight for a new title

On board their new prototype designed by the famous Italian manufacturer Osella, 2016 vice-champions Rui and Paulo Ramalho of PRMiniracing team will race the eight races of the National Hill Climb Championship. // Page 1.



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First race and victory for Calvin Rademeyer

From the first round of the Zimbabwe National Saloon Car Championship, FUCHS driver, Calvin Rademeyer, outperformed his rivals and moved up to 1st place on the podium in his category. A great success Calvin wants to repeat this season. // Page 9.

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Martin Vaculik: an outstanding opponent!

Thanks to his intensive and hard training and his strong will, the rider of the Slovak Speedway Club Žarnovica stood out in the National and World Speedway Championships. He is a role model for the young riders and excels with good results and the perfect set-up of his bike. // Page 3.



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Portugal

PRMiniracing team's dogged determination

Sponsored by FUCHS since 2002, PRMiniracing team will race the National Hill Climb Championship this season. The first of the eight rounds will start on April 8 with the Rampas da Penha at Guimarães and the final race will take place at Boticas, end of September. The brothers Rui and Paulo Ramalho will defend the FUCHS colours on board their new Osella PA2000 EVO2* and an Osella PA21S EVO. "The new Osella PA2000 EVO2 was built in Italy under the directives of Enzo Osella, former F1 car manufacturer," explained the team manager. This prototype has all the technical characteristics (340 hp / 470 kg) to support the team in their objective to win the 2017 championship. "We are the only team in Portugal to be lucky enough to have one of the six cars built by Osella."

The team dominated the National Hill Climb Championship by winning the title of champion two years running (2010 and 2011) and the title of vice-champion six times overall (2007 to 2009 and 2014 to 2016).

Team PRMiniracing encourages students to get involved

In addition to its main sporting activity, the team has an important partnership with the National Institution of Higher Education, ISEP – Instituto Superior de Engenharia do Porto. The members of the PRMiniracing team provide theoretical and practical training in motorsport, making their Osella prototypes available to the students' mechanical and automotive engineering laboratories. An excellent opportunity for these amateurs to discover the technical secrets acquired by the team over 18 years.



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*Osella PA2000 EVO2 (340 hp / 470 Kg) and Osella PA21S EVO (265 hp / 535 Kg).



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Slovakia

Hard work and success for Martin Vaculik

Member of the Slovak Speedway Club Žarnovica sponsored by FUCHS OIL CORP (SK), Martin Vaculik is one of the best Slovak speedway riders of all time. During the 2016 season, the 27-year-old rider stood out with his team winning 3rd place on the podium in the Adriatic pairs and the Golden Helmet of SNP for the fifth time! Each season, Martin has improved himself and gained solid experience by racing with some of the world's best competitors. In 2016, he competed in 55 races. During the final series of the European Speedway Championship he claimed 11th place overall. Martin Vaculik represented the FUCHS colours and belongs to the mainstays of his team in the two best leagues in the world. In the Polish Speedway Extraliga he raced for the Torune team and won the silver medal. In the Swedish Elitserien he won the gold medal in Hallstavik.



Martin took advantage of the inter-season to intensify his physical training and tweak the settings of the motorcycle. "I'm looking forward to racing. This year, we will have a new design for our bikes and I am really happy."

FUCHS lubricants: Silkolene PRO RG2, Silkolene CASTORENE R 50 S, Silkolene COMP 4 SX 10W-40, Silkolene CHAIN LUBE SPRAY, Silkolene BRAKE CLEANER, Silkolene CHAIN CLEANER



Pictured: Franky Zorn, Markus Kollenz (FUCHS), Charly Ebner and Joseph Kreuzberger

Austria

Two FUCHS teams on the podium of the 2017 Ice Speedway World Championship

The final of the Ice Speedway World Championship took place on the Inzell track (Germany) on March 11 and 12. Two teams represented the FUCHS colours in this international sporting event: the Austrian team with the famous riders Franky Zorn, Charly Ebner and Joseph Kreuzberger and the German team composed of Max Niedermaier and multiple champion Günther Bauer.

In great shape, both FUCHS teams were very fast and showed their enthusiasm and their desire to be the best during all these exciting races. These intrepid FUCHS riders faced some of the most prestigious teams from Europe. Riders from Russia, Sweden, Czech Republic, Finland and Switzerland dreamed of winning the title, too.

The FUCHS Austrian team excelled with the vice-champion title thanks to Franky Zorn's performance who bagged 30 points. He was supported by Charly Ebner.

The FUCHS Germany team came in 3rd thanks to their first day's success and to the heroic efforts of veteran Günther Bauer. This victory was their first bronze medal in eight years.

FUCHS lubricants: Silkolene CASTORENE R 40 S, Silkolene CASTORENE R 50 S, Silkolene ALL-IN-ONE SPRAY, Silkolene PRO CHAIN SPRAY, Silkolene PRO PREP SPRAY

Pictured: Max Niedermaier, Markus Kollenz (FUCHS) and Günther Bauer





Australia

Darrin Treloar and Blake Cox celebrate another championship title!

Sydney rider Darrin Treloar and his passenger, Newcastle's Blake Cox, of the TRE Silkolene Racing team have been sponsored for many seasons by Warriar Enterprises Pty Ltd, the FUCHS Silkolene distributor for Australia and New Zealand. For Treloar and Cox, the 2017 season started on good auspices. After 47 races, and against an Australian Championship class line-up, both competitors added another championship title to their resume with their victory in the Gillman Sidecar Championship in Adelaide. The early heats of the championship were a Treloar masterclass as he was at his very best. But at the end he needed a modicum of luck, in the form of a race restart, to win the final. Despite continuing attacks of his high level adversaries, Treloar managed his opponents and dominated a lot of the races. The 35-time state title winner had to make

some concessions when faced with mitigating circumstances. Coming in just behind Justin Plaisted / Simon Cohrs, Treloar almost lost his passenger Blake Cox, when he was thrown high into the air. Amazingly, however, he managed to keep hold onto Treloar and get himself back on the bike. Treloar then gave chase to Plaisted and only came up short by half-a-bike length with earned raucous applause from the large crowd. The early nominations of the next Gillman meeting include former Australian champion Mark Drew, current New Zealand champion James Douglas and New Zealand's Jamie Moohan will promise a magnificent spectacle for all the fans. With this new victory, 49-year-old driver, Darrin Treloar celebrates his 35 state titles: New South Wales champion (18 times), South Australian champion (7 times), Queensland champion (6 times), Victorian champion (3 times), Tasmanian champion (1 time), and his 14 national titles: Australian champion (9 times), FIM World champion (3 times) and FIM Oceania champion (2 times).

Darrin Treloar and Blake Cox used FUCHS Silkolene PRO 4 SAE 10W-40 for their sidecar.



Pictured: CJ Hackart, Savannah Woodward and Lyle Ramsay (left to right)

South Africa

FUCHS loyal partner of Monroe Racing RSA Team

For the third season, FUCHS continues its sponsorship with Monroe RSA Racing team that includes two of the team's renowned racers, the rider Savannah Woodward and driver Lyle Ramsay.

To bolster the strength of the team, a new member has been added to the Monroe Racing family, Camron Jason Hackart, who brings extensive racing experience and will help fly both the FUCHS and Monroe brands.

Presentation of these three competitors on the next page.



Pictured: CJ Hackart

South Africa

Savannah Woodward: a promising rider

At the age of 16, Savannah is already one of the most exciting female competitors in the country and impresses every time she takes to the track. She has big dreams and is striving to take her talent overseas, with sights set on earning a spot at the Red Bull Rookies Cup, in the MotoGP or in the SuperBike World Championship series.

She currently participates in the Northern Regions Championship, various invitational and one-off events on a Kawasaki ZX6 bike. Before joining the team, Savannah competed in other categories: the Junior MX-Enduro, Honda NSF100 and Short Circuit Racing. She has a number accolades to her name including the first female superbike rider to record a win in Zimbabwe in 2016, Rookie of the Year in the Extreme Festival and participation in Red Bull MotoGP Rookies Cup Trials 2016 in Barcelona.

Savannah and Camron Jason are using FUCHS lubricants: Silkolene PRO RACE SAE 0W-20, Silkolene CHAIN LUBE, Silkolene BRAKE CLEANER and Silkolene PRO BOOST.



Camron Jason Hackart: newcomer to the team

The native of Johannesburg took first race lessons at the age of 10 and made his race debut one year later. Since then, he has successfully climbed his way up the categories. He was lucky enough to be coached by Joey, a MotoGP trainer from overseas. In 2016, he distinguished himself with victories. This season, now 16, he will race in 2017 National Super 600 Championship.



Lyle Ramsay recommends FUCHS lubricants

This young 21-year-old driver currently competes in Class B of the VW Challenge and races a VW Polo Vivo. His accolades include being crowned the 2014 Comsol VW Challenge Class B champion at the Extreme Festival. Ramsay speaks highly of the FUCHS products used for his VW Polo. "FUCHS TITAN GT1 offers excellent performance over the full temperature range from very low up to very high temperatures. This provides significant benefits in highly stressed engines making it ideal for racing."

FUCHS lubricants: TITAN GT1 Premium Performance Engine Oil (Grade 5W-40), TITAN ATF 6000 SL Premium Automatic Transmission fluid, TITAN Supergear Semi Synthetic SAE 75W-90





Zimbabwe

Successful start to the season for FUCHS Bulawayo's Calvin Rademeyer

Calvin Rademeyer from FUCHS Lubricants Bulawayo drove a VW Polo in the first national race of 2017 which took place at Donnybrook Raceway, in Harare, on March 5. Starting from an unfavourable grid position due to a few minor mechanical issues during the qualifiers, Calvin achieved 1st place overall in his class. It is only his second professional year in car racing, but he has learnt a few valuable tricks of the trade during his apprenticeship in karting. Sponsored by FUCHS, Calvin hopes to win the championship in class B this year with his 2-litre VW Polo.

FUCHS lubricants: TITAN Supersyn LONGLIFE SAE 5W-40, TITAN SINTOPOID LS SAE 75W-90, TITAN ATF 6000 SL, MAINTAIN DOT 5.1





Zimbabwe

Optimistic results for the Grainger Racing team

After pre-season training, the Grainger Racing team headed off to Port Elizabeth for the first round of the SA National Championship. "There was a positive feeling in the camp as all the bikes and kits were new and ready for the season ahead. The riders were keen to make a good impression and put our newly formed team on the map," explained the team manager.

Damon Strydom represented the FUCHS team in the premier MX1 and MX2 classes. After fighting his way through the race, he managed a respectable 5th place overall in MX1 and a 9th in his class in MX2. "With the competitors being so closely matched in these classes we have realized that we need to gain more horsepower out of Damon's bikes to compete for the podium," said the team manager.

On his side, Ash Thixton managed 14th overall, but his objective is to get into the top 5.

Tristan Grainger and Davin Cocker raced in the 85cc Pro-Mini class. With two good heats and sterling performances, Davin finished 4th overall. Tristan Grainger, after a few crashes, finished 8th.

In 65cc, despite a gearbox failure stopping him in heat one, Daiyaan Manuel won the second round with a borrowed bike to keep his championship hopes alive.

Luke Southon, the youngster in the 50cc category, was not intimidated by the older and more experienced riders and finished 18th overall.





Photo credit: Paul Lawrence



Great Britain

Scintillating start to 2017 season for FUCHS supported team

The Scottish Rally Championship season starter, 'the Snowman Rally' based in Inverness, proved to be a happy hunting ground for the FUCHS supported team at CA1 Sport and their experienced Skoda R5 driver David Bogie. Bogie with regular co-driver Kevin Rae dominated each of the event's five stages to win the rally by a comfortable 58 seconds despite tying on the first stage with Jock Armstrong (Subaru) and Shaun Sinclair (Subaru). The rally had a strong entry list with over 100 crews.

Bogie runs FUCHS TITAN RACE products in his Skoda.

Great Britain

FUCHS confirms their partnership with R.A.C. Historic Asphalt Rally Championship

For the second consecutive season, FUCHS LUBRICANTS (UK) will sponsor the R.A.C. Historic Asphalt Rally Championship. The season starter round saw a high-quality historic competition with 80 stage miles over six stages each day, and even though a couple of late non-starters reduced the 17-strong entry, the slickly-run event was a fitting start to the year. Berry Bailey and Graham Lacey scored a tremendous victory on the opening round of the championship in the Bovington Stages, Dorset. After 12 fast and flowing stages at the Dorset venue, Bailey/Lacey ended with just 19 seconds in hand over the similar Ford Escort Mk2 of Neil Williams and John Morgan while the third R.A.C. contender was the stunning BMW M3 of Roger Moran/Paul Morris.



Great Britain

MSA Bambino English Championship

After battling with freezing temperatures, gales and snow a very happy Freddie Housley, FUCHS Silkolene's youngest sponsored kart racer (7), finished 2nd overall at the opening race of the season at the Cumbrian based Rowrah kart race circuit. The following event was at the same circuit the week after, but with better weather saw Freddie racing against the best riders in the UK, and resulted in him winning the final. What a way to start a season!

FUCHS lubricants: Silkolene PRO KR2, Silkolene CHAIN LUBE SPRAY, Silkolene CARB CLEANER SPRAY, Silkolene INJECTOR CLEANER SPRAY, Silkolene BRAKE CLEANER SPRAY, Silkolene CHAIN CLEANER SPRAY, Silkolene ALL-IN-ONE SPRAY

Great Britain

News just in!

FUCHS Silkolene sponsored Paul Bird Motorsport reveals Shane 'Shakey' Byrne's newly liveried bike for 2017 BSB season.



Great Britain

Colour change for the Ciceley Motorsport team!

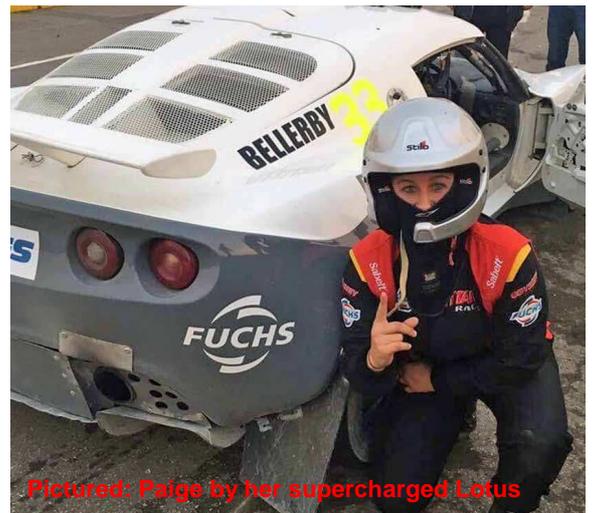
FUCHS sponsored Ciceley Motorsport proudly reveal its newly liveried Mercedes Benz 'A' Class car for the 2017 BTTC season. It will be driven by Adam Morgan, a four-time British Touring Car Championship race winner.

Great Britain

First victories for Bellerby team

For the first round of the BTRDA Rallycross Championship taking place at Blyton Park, Paige Bellerby was back behind the wheel of the 270bhp supercharged Lotus Exige. Both the Bellerby girls had a fantastic day dusting off and developing the cars after a long winter and both took victories in their classes, a fantastic achievement on both parts. The team are now well and truly ready to battle it out at the next event.

FUCHS lubricants: TITAN RACE PRO S SAE 5W-40, TITAN RACE SYN 5



Pictured: Paige by her supercharged Lotus

A new challenge for Drew Bellerby

Teenage Rallycross driver Drew Bellerby had a last-minute change of plans before the 2017 season started at Croft circuit on March 19. She has been offered the opportunity of a fully supported drive in the MSA BMW Mini Championship in a new BMW Mini Cooper S. Blyton Park Rallycross circuit in Lincolnshire was the venue for a test day where Drew, just eighteen and the younger of the Bellerby sisters, tested out her new BMW Mini. Although the car was in basic trim, it will be supercharged and running in the higher spec class ready for the championship. Although steady to begin with, Drew quickly got to grips with her new car.

FUCHS lubricants: TITAN RACE SYN 5, TITAN RACE PRO S SAE 5W-40, TITAN RACE PRO S SAE 5W-30, TITAN RACE PRO R SAE 15W-50





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Great Britain

Strong result at Brands Hatch

Now firmly embedded in the Army Motorcycle Sprint Road Racing team, representing 350 Field Squadron, FUCHS Silkolene sponsored rider Lara Small and the Knight Road Racing Ducati 1198 certainly made their mark on the track at Brands Hatch.

Due to gear problems, Lara found herself somewhere near the back of the first race but still battled hard using the Ducati power to annoy some of the riders with smaller bikes.

The Sunday races saw the pace pick up in the GP1 grid, where Lara achieved 25th place out of 28 racers whilst starting at the back of the grid and then a 21st position out of 27 racers again from the back. A progressive and safe result, in mostly awkward racing conditions.

Lara explained: "Paddock Hill Bend with a squishy slipping front wet tyre isn't the most comfortable of feelings, but I learn a lot about riding a big bike and could appreciate the pace of those around me – plenty to learn and respect with 180bhp Ducati!"

FUCHS lubricants: Silkolene PRO 4 PLUS SAE 10W-50, Silkolene BRAKE CLEANER, Silkolene CHAIN CLEANER, Silkolene WASH-OFF, Silkolene PRO PREP SPRAY, Silkolene PRO RG2