

WTCC

FIA World Touring Car
Championship

FIA WTCC NEWSLETTER

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ROUTE TO: PORTO, PORTUGAL

The 11th and 12th rounds of the FIA WTCC will take place next week in Portugal, on the Circuito da Boavista, that winds along the streets of Porto, the country's second largest city and famous for its homonymous wine.

The non-permanent racetrack, that was partly paved with cobblestones and crossed by tram rails, began to be used for national races back in 1951; in its golden years it hosted twice the Formula One Portuguese Grand Prix, in 1958 and 1960 – won by Stirling Moss' Vanwall and Jack Brabham's Cooper respectively.

The Circuito da Boavista was finally revived in 2005, for the Grande Prémio Histórico do Porto, whose second edition will take place on the weekend after the WTCC's.

GRANDE PRÉMIO DO PORTO LAUNCHED YESTERDAY

The Grande Prémio do Porto WTCC Race of Portugal was launched yesterday at Porto's Palácio de Cristal in front of large media representative. Portuguese drivers Tiago Monteiro, Miguel Freitas and Luís Pedro Magalhães attended the event, together with the city's Mayor Mr Rui Rio and the event promoter Francisco Santos.

"When, back in 2003, we started talking about reviving the Circuito da Boavista we thought it was a very difficult task, but not impossible. And now we are here to launch the second edition that includes a competitive World Championship. This is a source of pride for the city of Porto that will benefit from large TV exposure worldwide," said the Mayor.

MAXIMUM BALLAST FOR FARFUS AND MÜLLER

For the second event running championship leader Augusto Farfus has to race with the maximum ballast onboard. He is joined on 60 kg by team-mate Jörg Müller, while Andy Priaux lost 5 kilos following Brno.

60 kg	Augusto Farfus and Jörg Müller
55 kg	Andy Priaux
50 kg	Yvan Muller and Nicola Larini
35 kg	Gabriele Tarquini
30 kg	Félix Porteiro and James Thompson
20 kg	Tiago Monteiro
10 kg	Alessandro Zanardi, Alain Menu and Luís Pedro Magalhães
5 kg	Luca Rangoni, Jordi Gené and Robert Huff

YOKOHAMA CONFIRMED UNTIL 2009

Last Wednesday, following an invitation to tender, the FIA World Motor Sport Council appointed the Yokohama Rubber Company to supply the control tyre for the 2008 and 2009 FIA World Touring Car Championships.

This is the third consecutive year the Japanese manufacturer has won the tender.

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ROBERTO COLCIAGO BACK ON TRACK

After he was forced to miss the previous race meeting in Brno, for the consequences of a paddock incident occurred on Saturday afternoon at Pau – that cost him a dislocated shoulder – Roberto Colciago will rejoin in Porto.

The Italian independent will be at the wheel of his SEAT León car run by SEAT Sport Italia team, driven by his substitute Massimiliano Pedalà in the Czech Republic.

PTCC AND ITCC MERGE AT BOAVISTA

The WTCC Race of Portugal will include rounds counting towards the Portuguese Touring Car Championship (PTCC) and the Italian Touring Cars Competition (ITCC), both open to FIA S2000 cars and other categories.

PTCC and ITCC competitors will face each other in two 50-km races on Sunday, at 8.50 am and 3.20 pm.

EUROSPORT COVERAGE FROM PORTO

<i>Saturday, 7th:</i>	Qualifying	Eurosport 2, 19.00/19.30
<i>Sunday, 8th:</i>	Warm up – LIVE	Eurosport International, 09.00/09.15
	Race 1 – LIVE	Eurosport 2, 10.55/11.45
	Race 2 – LIVE	Eurosport International, 17.00/18.15

Times are CET (Central European Time)

MEDIA ACCREDITATION FOR THE SEVENTH MEETING

Rounds 13 and 14 of the 2007 FIA World Touring Car Championship will take place at Anderstorp, Sweden, 28th / 29th July

The deadline to apply for media credentials is Tuesday, 17th July.

The Accreditation Form may be downloaded from the websites www.fia.com and www.fiawtcc.com.

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COUNTDOWN: - 9 DAYS



to the 2007 FIA WTCC Race of Portugal – 7th / 8th July, in Porto

more information and pictures: www.fiawtcc.com

2007 FIA WORLD TOURING CAR CHAMPIONSHIP



ROUNDS 11 & 12 - PORTO, July 7/8 - ENTRY LIST

#	class	competitor	driver	car
1		BMW Team UK	Andy Priaulx (GBR)	BMW 320si
2		BMW Team Germany	Jörg Müller (GER)	BMW 320si
3		BMW Team Germany	Augusto Farfus (BRA)	BMW 320si
4		BMW Team Italy-Spain	Alessandro Zanardi (ITA)	BMW 320si
5		BMW Team Italy-Spain	Félix Porteiro (ESP)	BMW 320si
6		Chevrolet	Robert Huff (GBR)	Chevrolet Lacetti
7		Chevrolet	Nicola Larini (ITA)	Chevrolet Lacetti
8		Chevrolet	Alain Menu (SUI)	Chevrolet Lacetti
9		SEAT Sport	Jordi Gené (ESP)	SEAT León
10		SEAT Sport	Michel Jourdain (MEX)	SEAT León
11		SEAT Sport	Gabriele Tarquini (ITA)	SEAT León
12		SEAT Sport	Yvan Muller (FRA)	SEAT León
15		N.technology	James Thompson (GBR)	Alfa Romeo 156
16		N.technology	Olivier Tielemans (NED)	Alfa Romeo 156
18		SEAT Sport	Tiago Monteiro (POR)	SEAT León
19	/	SEAT Sport Italia	Roberto Colciago (ITA)	SEAT León
20		GR Asia	Tom Coronel (NED)	SEAT León
21	/	GR Asia	Emmet O'Brien (IRL)	SEAT León
22	/	GR Asia	Maurizio Ceresoli (ITA)	SEAT León
23	/	Exagon Engineering	Pierre-Yves Corthals (BEL)	SEAT León
25	/	Exagon Engineering	Luís Pedro Magalhães (POR)	SEAT León
26	/	Wiechers-Sport	Stefano D'Aste (ITA)	BMW 320si
30	/	Scuderia Proteam Motorsport	Luca Rangoni (ITA)	BMW 320si
31	/	Scuderia Proteam Motorsport	Sergio Hernández (ESP)	BMW 320si
33	/	Racing for Belgium	Miguel Freitas (POR)	Alfa Romeo 156

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Rounds 11 & 12 – TRACK FACTS



Circuito da Boavista, Porto – PORTUGAL

Lap distance – 4,720 m
Race distance – 2 x 11 laps

Location: downtown Porto, in the Boavista district, around the City Park
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Airport: Porto-Pedras Rubras “Francisco Sá Carneiro” (10 km)

S2000 lap records: none

Previous winners: none



Rounds 11 & 12 – Porto (POR) EVENT TIMETABLE

Friday 6th July 2007

08.00 – 08.20	Troféu Nacionais de Clássicos de Velocidade (1300)	Free Practice
08.30 – 08.55	Troféu Nacionais de Clássicos de Velocidade (+1300)	Free Practice
09.10 – 09.25	Campeonato Nacional de Velocidade	Free Practice 1
09.30 – 09.45	Campeonato Nacional de Velocidade	Free Practice 2
10.00 – 10.30	SEAT León Supercópa	Free Practice 1
10.45 – 10.10	FPAK PTCC / ITCC	Free Practice 1
11.30 – 11.50	Troféu Nacionais de Clássicos de Velocidade (1300)	Qualifying
12.05 – 12.30	Troféu Nacionais de Clássicos de Velocidade (+1300)	Qualifying
13.00 – 13.45	International Formula Masters	Free Practice 1
14.00 – 14.30	Campeonato Nacional de Velocidade	Qualifying
14.45 – 15.15	SEAT León Supercópa	Free Practice 2
15.30 – 16.00	FIA WTCC	Testing
16.15 – 17.00	International Formula Masters	Free Practice 2
17.15 – 17.40	FPAK PTCC / ITCC	Free Practice 2
18.15	Troféu Nacionais de Clássicos de Velocidade (1300)	Race 1 (20 min.)
18.55	Troféu Nacionais de Clássicos de Velocidade (+1300)	Race 1 (25 min.)

Saturday 7th July 2007

08.00 – 08.30	International Formula Masters	Qualifying
08.45 – 09.15	FIA WTCC	Free Practice 1
09.30 – 10.00	SEAT León Supercópa	Qualifying
10.15 – 10.35	FPAK PTCC / ITCC	Qualifying
10.35 – 10.55	FPAK PTCC / ITCC	Qualifying
11.30 – 12.00	FIA WTCC	Free Practice 2
12.30	International Formula Master	Race 1 (16 laps)
13.55	Campeonato Nacional de Velocidade	Race (50 min.)
15.00 – 15.45	FIA WTCC	Qualifying
16.20	SEAT León Supercópa	Race 1 (14 laps)
17.25	Troféu Nacionais de Clássicos de Velocidade (1300)	Race 2 (20 min.)
18.20	Troféu Nacionais de Clássicos de Velocidade (+1300)	Race 2 (25 min.)

Sunday 8th July 2007

08.00 – 08.15	FIA WTCC	Warm Up
08.50	FPAK PTCC / ITCC	Race 1 (11 laps)
10.05	FIA WTCC	Race 1 (11 laps)
10.40	FIA WTCC	Podium Race 1
10.45 – 11.00	International Formula Masters	Warm Up
11.55	SEAT León Supercópa	Race 2 (7 laps)
12.30	SEAT León Supercópa	Race 3 (7 laps)
13.30	International Formula Master	Race 2 (22 laps)
15.20	FPAK PTCC / ITCC	Race 2 (11 laps)
16.35	FIA WTCC	Race 2 (11 laps)
17.10	FIA WTCC	Podium Race 2