

## FIA WTCC NEWSLETTER

# 28 - 19 July 2007

#### SEAT IN SWEDEN WITH TWO DIESEL CARS

SEAT will be the first Manufacturer to run diesel-powered cars in the FIA World Touring Car Championship. Next week in Anderstorp Jordi Gené and Yvan Muller will drive two León TDI machines equipped with a 280 hp turbo-diesel engine.

This will be a milestone for both SEAT and the FIA as it is the first time diesel cars line up at an FIA World Championship race.

Jaime Puig, Director of SEAT Sport, explained: "The regulations allow us to register a car equipped with a diesel engine, and we were happy to rise to the challenge. We are satisfied with the testing results and believe the León TDI can become competitive in the mid and long term."

Chief Engineer Benoît Bagur said: "The basis for the engine is the 170 hp 2.0 of the León FR. We kept the engine block and cylinder head of the production model, but changed the turbo charger and gearbox. We had to alter the front part to house the intercooler and create new air intakes. The diesel engine is 35 kilos heavier than the petrol engine, so we had to redistribute some weight."

## **ROUTE TO: ANDERSTORP, SWEDEN**

The 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> rounds of the FIA WTCC will take place next week in Sweden, on Anderstorp's Scandinavian Raceway. This is the first visit paid by the WTCC to Anderstorp, which hosted the FIA European Touring Car Championship five times, from 1984 to 1987 and again in 2002 and 2003.

The event also marks the return of an FIA World Championship to Anderstorp after three decades. In fact the racetrack, located 130 km East of Gothenburg, was home of the Formula One Swedish Grand Prix from 1973 to 1978.

#### **BMW MEN ON MAXIMUM BALLAST**

Fellow BMW drivers Jörg Müller, Augusto Farfus and Andy Priaulx, who currently occupy the first three positions in the Drivers' Championship will carry the 60-kg maximum handicap weights during the next meeting in Anderstorp.

However their closest competitors will not be much lighter: SEAT's Yvan Muller and Chevrolet's Nicola Larini will have 55 extra kilos onboard.

60 kg	Jörg Müller, Augusto Farfus and Andy Priaulx
55 kg	Nicola Larini and Yvan Muller
45 kg	Gabriele Tarquini
35 kg	Alain Menu
20 kg	Félix Porteiro, Robert Huff and James Thompson
15 kg	Tom Coronel
10 kg	Tiago Monteiro, Rickard Rydell, Fredrik Ekblom, Carl Rosenblad, Robert
	Dahlgren, Alexander Lvov and Andrey Smetskiy
5 kg	Alessandro Zanardi, Luca Rangoni and Jordi Gené













## **RUSSIAN HONDAS JOIN AT ANDERSTORP**

Russian team Golden Motors will race in Anderstorp with two Honda Accord Euro R cars built by JAS Motorsport and driven by Alexander Lvov and Andrey Smetskiy The team's leading man, Lvov, is the current leader of the Russian Championship, he claimed a national title (in 2001) and last year's FIA European Super Production Cup at Estoril.

#### **SEAT SPORT ITALIA'S APPEAL**

The appeal lodged by SEAT Sport Italia against the decision taken in Porto by the Stewards will be heard next Monday in Paris.

Further to a collision between Roberto Colciago and Félix Porteiro during the qualifying session at Porto, the Stewards fined the Italian driver 3,500 euro and imposed him a drop of ten grid positions for both the Anderstorp races.

#### **EUROSPORT COVERAGE FROM ANDERSTORP**

Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup>: Qualifying Eurosport 2, 19.00/19.30

Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup>: Warm up – **LIVE** Eurosport International, 09.30/10.00

Race 1 – **LIVE** Eurosport International, 11.55/12.40 Eurosport International, 14.15/15.00

Times are CET (Central European Time)

#### MEDIA ACCREDITATION FOR THE EIGHTH MEETING

Rounds 15 and 16 of the 2007 FIA World Touring Car Championship will take place at Oschersleben, Germany, 25<sup>th</sup> / 26<sup>th</sup> August.

The deadline to apply for media credentials is Tuesday, 14th August.

The Accreditation Form may be downloaded from the websites <u>www.fia.com</u> and <u>www.fiawtcc.com</u>.

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#### **COUNTDOWN: - 9 DAYS**



to the 2007 FIA WTCC Race of Sweden – 28th / 29th July, in Porto

more information and pictures: www.fiawtcc.com

## 2007 FIA WORLD TOURING CAR CHAMPIONSHIP



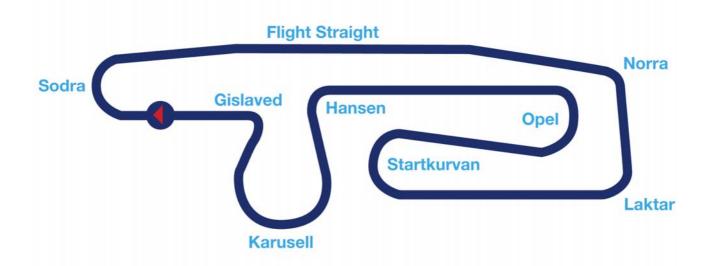
## **ROUNDS 13 & 14 - ANDERSTORP, July 28/29 - ENTRY LIST**

#	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 TDI
10		SEAT Sport	Michel Jourdain (MEX)	SEAT León
11		SEAT Sport	Gabriele Tarquini (ITA)	SEAT León
12		SEAT Sport	Yvan Muller (FRA)	SEAT León TDI
14		BMW Team UK	Fredrik Ekblom (SWE)	BMW 320si
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	1	SEAT Sport Italia	Roberto Colciago (ITA)	SEAT León
20		GR Asia	Tom Coronel (NED)	SEAT León
21	1	GR Asia	Emmet O'Brien (IRL)	SEAT León
22	1	GR Asia	Maurizio Ceresoli (ITA)	SEAT León
23	1	Exagon Engineering	Pierre-Yves Corthals (BEL)	SEAT León
26	1	Wiechers-Sport	Stefano D'Aste (ITA)	BMW 320si
28	1	Elgh Motorsport	Carl Rosenblad (SWE)	BMW 320si
30	1	Scuderia Proteam Motorsport	Luca Rangoni (ITA)	BMW 320si
31	1	Scuderia Proteam Motorsport	Sergio Hernández (ESP)	BMW 320si
54	1	Golden Motors	Alexander Lvov (RUS)	Honda Accord Euro R
55	1	Golden Motors	Andrey Smetskiy (RUS)	Honda Accord Euro R
60		Polestar Volvo Green Racing	Robert Dahlgren (SWE)	Volvo S60 Flexifuel
88		Chevrolet	Rickard Rydell (SWE)	Chevrolet Lacetti

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## **Rounds 13 & 14 - TRACK FACTS**



## Scandinavian Raceway, Anderstorp - SWEDEN

Lap distance - 4,025 m Race distance - 2 x 13 laps

**Location:** 70 km South-East of Borås, on the Route 27 Gislaved-Värnamo

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Airports: Jönköping-Axamo (85 km), Hallmstad (110 km),

Gothenburg-Landevetter (130 km)

**S2000 lap records:** Qual. - 1:38.907/146.50 kph, Frank Stippler (Audi A4), 17 Jun 2007 (STCC)

Race - 1:39.946/144.98 kph, Nicola Larini (Alfa Romeo 156), 7 Sep 2003

**Previous winners:** 2002 FIA ETCC Race 1: Nicola Larini (Alfa Romeo 156)

2002 FIA ETCC Race 2: Jörg Müller (BMW 320i)

2003 FIA ETCC Race 1: Roberto Colciago (Alfa Romeo 156) 2003 FIA ETCC Race 2: Nicola Larini (Alfa Romeo 156)



# Rounds 13 & 14 – Anderstorp (SWE) EVENT TIMETABLE

## Friday 27th July 2007

09.05 - 12.00	International Formula Masters	Testing
12.20 - 12.50	Radical	Free Practice
13.00 - 13.20	Super Kart	Free Practice
13.30 - 13.50	Radical	Qualifying 1
14.00 - 14.45	International Formula Masters	Free Practice
15.00 - 15.30	FIA WTCC	Testing
<u>15.45</u>	Radical	Race 1
16.40 – 17.00	Historic GT	Free Practice 1
17.15 – 17.45	International Formula Masters	Qualifying

## Saturday 28th July 2007

09.00 - 09.30	FIA WTCC	Free Practice 1
09.45 - 10.05	Historic GT	Free Practice 2
10.20 – 10.40	Super Kart	Qualifying 1
11.15 – 11.45	FIA WTCC	Free Practice 2
12.20	International Formula Master	Race 1 (19 laps)
13.40 – 14.00	Radical	Qualifying 2
14.15 – 14.40	Historic GT	Qualifying
15.00 - 15.30	FIA WTCC	Qualifying
15.45 – 16.05	Super Kart	Qualifying 2
16.20	Radical	Race 2
16.55	Historic GT	Race 1
17.30	Super Kart	Race 1

## Sunday 29th July 2007

09.00 - 09.15	International Formula Masters	Warm Up
09.30 - 09.45	FIA WTCC	Warm Up
10.25	International Formula Master	Race 2 (25 laps)
12.05	FIA WTCC	Race 1 (13 laps)
12.35	FIA WTCC	Podium Race 1
13.00	Radical	Race 3
14.35	FIA WTCC	Race 2 (13 laps)
15.05	FIA WTCC	Podium Race 2
15.20	Historic GT	Race 2
16.00	Super Kart	Race 2