

# WTCC

FIA World Touring Car  
Championship

## FIA WTCC NEWSLETTER

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### **TURKINGTON JOINS WTCC AT BRANDS**

Team RAC will take part in the FIA WTCC meeting at Brands Hatch with Colin Turkington in a BMW 320si. Turkington is currently 5<sup>th</sup> in the British Touring Car Championship and has been impressive at the Kent circuit this season, securing two pole positions and a victory.

The Ulsterman said: *"It's a fantastic opportunity for me and I'm grateful to the team for giving me the chance to race against the best Touring Car drivers in the world. I certainly won't be there to make up the numbers."*

Dick Bennetts, WSR Team Principal, added: *"We are excited and believe we can make a big impression. Colin has proven credentials at Brands Hatch, which will make him very competitive. It's a great opportunity for us and we are determined to make the most of it."*

Shaun Meadows, Marketing Director, commented: *"It's a natural extension for RAC to look to test our car and driver in the WTCC after our two seasons in BTCC. It will also allow us to showcase our motoring expertise to a new audience and we're looking forward to working with the WTCC, its fans and followers."*

### **TARQUINI TESTED THE LEÓN TDI**

Gabriele Tarquini had his first drive in the SEAT León TDI during a private test organised by the SEAT Sport team at Barcelona's Catalunya circuit in view of the next WTCC meeting at Brands Hatch.

However there will be only two TDI cars in Brands Hatch, again for Muller – who claimed at Oschersleben the first victory of a turbo-diesel car in a World Championship – and Gené. Tarquini, Monteiro and Michel Jourdain will stay with the petrol-powered SEAT León.

After Muller broke the TDI's duck in Oschersleben, expectations for Brands Hatch are high at SEAT. *"We should perform even better with the León TDI at Brands Hatch than we did at Oschersleben, because the track should suit the car better,"* Muller explained. *"I know the circuit well, but we didn't run in the dry with the Yokohama tyres last year, so if it's dry the first challenge will be to find a good set-up. But we go to the UK with a lot of optimism and I am looking forward to it."*

### **GR ASIA CONFIRM SADREDINOV**

18-year old Timur Sadredinov will stay with the GR Asia team for the WTCC's next two events at Brands Hatch and Monza. The Russian youngster successfully completed his maiden WTCC appearance three weeks ago in Oschersleben, at the wheel of one of GR Asia's three SEAT León cars.

During the first race on the German track, Sadredinov managed to achieve an outstanding second place in the Independents' Trophy behind Roberto Colciago; in Race 2 he scored more points being classified 7<sup>th</sup> of the independents.

OFFICIAL PARTNERS

Canon

ADVAN  
YOKOHAMA

COURTYARD  
MARRIOTT

MONROE

BERU

### **CORTHALS IN FOOTBALL CHARITY**

WTCC independent driver Pierre-Yves Cortahls was part of the All Star Belgium team that played against the Formula One drivers in a charity football match last Wednesday in Brussels, in front of a crowd of 12,000.

Despite lining up famous athletes like professional football players Jean-Marie Pfaff, Marc Wilmots, Georges Grün, Ali Lukunku and Enzo Scifo, former motorcycling world champion Didier de Radigues and motocross world champion Stefan Everts, the Belgian team lost 8-1.

The match resulted in a great success on the charity side, raising 52,000 euros.

### **MEDIA ACCREDITATION FOR THE TENTH MEETING**

Rounds 19 and 20 of the 2007 FIA World Touring Car Championship will take place at Monza, Italy, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> October.

**The deadline to apply for media credentials is Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> September.**

The Accreditation Form may be downloaded from the websites [www.fia.com](http://www.fia.com) and [www.fiawtcc.com](http://www.fiawtcc.com).

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### **MEDIA ACCREDITATION FOR THE ELEVENTH MEETING**

Rounds 21 and 22 of the 2007 FIA World Touring Car Championship will take place at Macau, 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> November.

**The deadline to apply for media credentials is Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> October.**

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**COUNTDOWN: - 9 DAYS**



to the 2007 FIA WTCC Race of UK – 22<sup>nd</sup> / 23<sup>rd</sup> September, in Brands Hatch

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# 2007 FIA WORLD TOURING CAR CHAMPIONSHIP



## ROUNDS 17 & 18 - BRANDS HATCH, September 22/23 - 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
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
22	/	GR Asia	Maurizio Ceresoli (ITA)	SEAT León
23	/	Exagon Engineering	Pierre-Yves Corthals (BEL)	SEAT León
26	/	Wiechers-Sport	Stefano D'Aste (ITA)	BMW 320si
27		Team RAC	Colin Turkington (GBR)	BMW 320si
30	/	Scuderia Proteam Motorsport	Luca Rangoni (ITA)	BMW 320si
32	/	Scuderia Proteam Motorsport	Sergio Hernández (ESP)	BMW 320si
34	/	SEAT Sport Italia	Massimiliano Pedalà (ITA)	SEAT León
35	/	GR Asia	Timur Sadredinov (RUS)	SEAT León

/ = Yokohama Independents' Trophy

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## Rounds 17 & 18 – TRACK FACTS



### Brands Hatch Grand Prix Circuit – UNITED KINGDOM

**Lap distance – 3,703 m**  
**Race distance – 2 x 14 laps**

- Location:** 30 km South East of London
- Contacts:** MotorSport Vision – Brands Hatch Circuit, Fawkham, Longfield, Kent DA3 8NG  
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- Official website:** [www.motorsportvision.co.uk](http://www.motorsportvision.co.uk)
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- Airports:** London-City (30 km), London-Biggin Hill (30 km), London-Gatwick (55 km),  
London-Southend (60 km), London Stansted (75 km), London-Heathrow (95 km),  
London-Luton (105 km)
- S2000 lap records:** Qualifying - 1:34.437/148.64 kph, Luke Hines (SEAT Toledo), 1 Oct 2005 - BTCC  
Race - 1:33.167/150.66 kph, James Pickford (SEAT Toledo), 2 Oct 2005 - BTCC
- Previous winners:** 2006 FIA WTCC Race 1: Yvan Muller (SEAT León)  
2006 FIA WTCC Race 2: Alain Menu (Chevrolet Lacetti)



## Rounds 17 & 18 – Brands Hatch (GBR) EVENT TIMETABLE

### Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2007

09.00 – 09.45	International Formula Master	Free Practice 1
10.00 – 10.45	International GT Open	Free Practice 1
11.00 – 11.20	British Formula Ford Championship	Free Practice
11.30 – 12.00	Porsche Open	Qualifying 1
12.10 – 12.55	International Formula Master	Free Practice 2
13.45 – 14.30	International GT Open	Free Practice 2
14.45 – 15.25	Heritage Grand Touring Car Challenge	Qualifying
15.40 – 16.10	Porsche Open	Qualifying 2
16.25 – 16.45	British Formula Ford Championship	Qualifying
17.00 – 17.30	International Formula Master	Qualifying
17.45 – 18.20	International GT Open	Qualifying 1

### Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2007

<b>09.00 – 09.30</b>	<b>FIA WTCC</b>	<b>Free Practice 1</b>
09.40 – 10.15	International GT Open	Qualifying 2
10.25	British Formula Ford Championship	Race 1 (18 minutes)
<b>11.15 – 11.45</b>	<b>FIA WTCC</b>	<b>Free Practice 2</b>
12.15	International Formula Master	Race 1 (35 minutes)
13.20	Heritage Grand Touring Car Challenge	Race 1 (40 minutes)
14.15	Porsche Open	Race 1 (30 minutes)
<b>15.00 – 15.30</b>	<b>FIA WTCC</b>	<b>Qualifying</b>
16.00	International GT Open	Race 1 (60 minutes)

### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2007

<b>10.00 – 10.15</b>	<b>FIA WTCC</b>	<b>Warm Up</b>
10.25 – 10.35	International Formula Master	Warm Up
10.45 – 10.55	International GT Open	Warm Up
11.05	British Formula Ford Championship	Race 2 (18 minutes)
<b>12.05</b>	<b>FIA WTCC</b>	<b>Race 1 (14 laps)</b>
12.40	FIA WTCC	Podium Race 1
13.05	International GT Open	Race 2 (35 minutes)
14.10	International Formula Master	Race 2 (45 minutes)
<b>15.35</b>	<b>FIA WTCC</b>	<b>Race 2 (14 laps)</b>
16.10	FIA WTCC	Podium Race 2
16.20	Heritage Grand Touring Car Challenge	Race 2 (30 minutes)
17.05	Porsche Open	Race 2 (30 minutes)