

FIA WTCC NEWSLETTER

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YOKOHAMA TEST NEW RAIN TYRES

New rain tyres for the FIA World Touring Car Championship's next two seasons were tested Wedneday at the Snetterton circuit in England.

Chevrolet and BMW took part with one car each, driven by Nicola Larini and Augusto Farfus respectively, testing the new Yokohama/Advan tyres.

"We have compared our current rain tyres with the one we have developed for the next two years. The drivers have completed short and long runs, with both the 2007 and the new tyres and on both a completely wet and a drying track," explained Yokohama Europe Motorsport Manager Matthijs Mathlener.

Following an invitation to tender, Yokohama was appointed by the FIA World Motor Sport Council to supply the control tyre for the 2008 and 2009 FIA WTCC.

TURKINGTON AND HUISMAN GO TO MACAU

Colin Turkington and Duncan Huisman will take part in the FIA WTCC final meeting of the season at Macau at the wheel of Aviva BMW 320is cars run by the WSR team. The sponsorship deal was announced yesterday by Aviva at The Motorsport Industry Association's Annual Summer Reception held at London's House of Lords.

Simon Machell, Chief Executive of Aviva Asia Pacific, commented: "Aviva are delighted to announce our new sponsorship in the WTCC. Asia is extremely important in our growth plans. The comprehensive TV rights deal that the WTCC has will help us promote our One Aviva message across the globe. We felt that the WTCC was perfect to demonstrate Aviva values."

Turkington, who stands fifth in the British Touring Car Championship, will make his WTCC debut this weekend at Brands Hatch. Dutchman, Duncan Huisman, is a previous winner of the WTCC round in Macau having won the second race in 2005.

KRYLOV REPLACES SADREDINOV

Because of a trivial passport problem, Russian yougster Timur Sadredinov will be force to skip Brands Hatch. He will be replaced at the wheel of the third GR Asia SEAT León by his fellow countryman Sergey Krylov.

Krylov, 43-year old from Moscow, is a regular competitor in the Russian Touring Car Championship; he achieved his best international result in 2005, finishing 2nd in the FIA European Super Production Cup at Vallelunga.

NO POINTS FOR TURKINGTON

Colin Turkington will not be eligible to score championship points in Brands Hatch. The Team RAC BMW 320si of the driver from Northern Ireland is fitted with an X-trac sequential gearbox and therefore it was accepted by the Touring Car Bureau on the basis of a national homologation.

This, according to article 10b of the WTCC Sporting Regulations means that the car is transparent as far as points are concerned.













EUROSPORT COVERAGE FROM BRANDS HATCH

Saturday, 22nd: Sunday, 23rd: Qualifying – LIVE Warm up – LIVE Race 1 – LIVE Race 2 – LIVE Eurosport 2, 16.00/16.45 Eurosport 2, 11.00/11.30 Eurosport International, 13.00/13.45 Eurosport International, 16.30/17.15

Times are CET (Central European Time)

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^{th} and 7^{th} October.

The deadline to apply for media credentials is Tuesday, 25th September. The Accreditation Form may be downloaded from the websites <u>www.fia.com</u> and <u>www.fiawtcc.com</u>.

International Press must send applications to: Fabio Ravaioli – FIA WTCC Media Delegate tel +39 06 39729497, fax +39 06 39729470, email: <u>media@fiawtcc.com</u>

Italian Press must send applications to: Gianni Cattaneo – ACI Mllano tel: 02 7745239, fax: 02 7745201, email: <u>stampa@acimi.it</u>

TV and Radio must send applications to: Antonios Argyropoulos – Eurosport tel +33 1 40938517, fax +33 1 40938002; email: <u>antonios@eurosport.com</u>

MEDIA ACCREDITATION FOR THE ELEVENTH MEETING

Rounds 21 and 22 of the 2007 FIA World Touring Car Championship will take place at Macau, 17^{th} and 18^{th} November.

The deadline to apply for media credentials is Tuesday, 16th October. 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: - 2 DAYS



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

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