



GT NEWS UPDATE

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The countdown is running, with only 79 days before the cars and drivers line up on the grid for the first round of the 2008 season of the FIA GT Championship, the Royal Automobile Club Tourist Trophy at Silverstone.

But as well as preparing for 2008, work is continuing for the future. Stephane Ratel, Chairman of SRO, promoter of the FIA GT Championship, recently returned from [a visit to Saudi Arabia](#), in order to discuss a project to build a race track, on which a round of the future GT1 World Championship, planned to start in 2010, would be organised.

Returning to 2008, news continues to come in concerning the 12th season of the FIA GT Championship. Full season entries close at the end of the month.

New British team [CR Scuderia](#) has announced that it will be running on Michelin tyres in 2008. It should be remembered that between them, new CR drivers Andrew Kirkaldy and Tim Mullen claimed all ten GT2 pole positions in the 2006 Championship on Michelin rubber !

And this past week also saw the announcement that Belgian team [ProSpeed Competition](#) plans to enter a new Porsche in the GT2 category for Finnish drivers Markus Palttala and Mikael Forsten. "I know that the GT2 class is extremely tough, maybe tougher than ever, and we will be the underdogs against a strong group of Ferraris, but we are very motivated to take that challenge and fight for it," Palttala commented. The team also plans a campaign in the FIA GT3 European Championship with two new Porsches.

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