

Frikadelli Racing enters three Porsche 911 for fifth leg of VLN series Nürburgring

- Team principal Klaus Abbelen: "We will race flat out and be right there when our competitors make mistakes"
- Besides the "Meatball" 911 GT3 R there will be two more Firkadelli-entered GT3 Porsches in the categories SP7 and CUP2

Barweiler (July 15, 2016). While German motorsport fans are looking forward to the World Endurance Championship race on the Nürburgring in one week's time, they can enjoy fist class GT racing action on the "Ring" this weekend. This Saturday will see the fifth leg of the VLN series on the famous Nordschleife. Frikadelli Racing will start with the well-known driver line-up consisting of team owner Klaus Abbelen and Sabine Schmitz (both from Barweiler near the "Ring"), Patrick Huisman (NL) and Norbert Siedler (A). The quartet will take turns at the wheel of the Porsche 911 GT3 R (991). It remains to be seen if the "Meatball" can repeat the magnificent fourth place from the previous race.

"There is no way that we are able to fight for the podium or even victory by our own efforts", Abbelen admits. "Regarding the recent classification of our car and the very strong grid we can't realistically expect more than a top ten finish. Nevertheless we will go flat out and try to be there when a competitor fails."

All in all Frikadelli Racing will enter three cars on Saturday. The "big" SP9 Porsche will as usually carry the No 30. Frank Kräling (Winterberg), Marc Gindorf (MC) and Christopher Brück (Köln) will drive the Porsche 911 GT3 Cup MR No 62 in the SP7 category. US Americans Janine Hill and John Shoffner will again share the J2 Porsche 911 GT3 Cup No 109 with Nordschleife specialist Arno Klasen.

In 2016, the Langstreckenmeisterschaft Nürburgring (German for "long-distance endurance championship") again consists of ten legs. The 4-hour races are held on Saturdays on the Nürburgring-Nordschleife plus the Grand Prix track's short circuit that together form a 24.358 kilometre lap. The seventh leg on September, 3 will be this year's only six-hour event. The season will end on October 22. The undisputed highlight of the season was the 24-hour race on









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May 28 and 29 which is not part of the VLN. Competitors had to tackle a lap of 25.378 kilometres that consist of the Nordschleife plus the Grand Prix circuit without the stadium section.

After the test sessions on Friday, competitive action will start on Saturday morning. The 90-minute practice starts will commence at 8.30 a.m. The race starts at 12.00 a.m., the chequered flag will drop shortly after 4.00 p.m. Awards ceremony is scheduled for 6.00 p.m.

Important info for media: News about Frikadelli Racing are available on Twitter @Frikadelli_R. Free picture material can be downloaded on <u>www.frikadelli-racingteam</u>.de. More photos will be published on Instagram (@frikadelli_r).

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The Frikadelli-Porsche 911 GT3 R will again be driven by Klaus Abbelen, Sabine Schmitz, Patrick Huisman and Norbert Siedler.

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Racing a Frikadelli-Porsche 911 GT3 MR in the SP7 category: Frank Kräling, Marc Gindorf and Christopher Brück.

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Top car in the category CUP2: The J2 Porsche 911 GT3 of Janine Hill, John Shoffner and Arno Klasen. Fotocredit: Frikadelli/ BRfoto