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Jaxon Evans and Matt Campbell to star in Porsche PAYCE and MICHELIN Virtual Cup

Porsche PAYCE Carrera Cup and Michelin Sprint Challenge drivers to take on Jaxon Evans in virtual season opener



It's been a busy couple of weeks for drivers of both the Porsche PAYCE Carrera Cup and Porsche Michelin Sprint Challenge drivers preparing for Monday night's opening round of the Porsche PAYCE and MICHELIN Virtual Cup Australia at the Philip Island circuit and hosted on the iRacing platform.

Intended as a fun, online race for drivers from both Porsche series competing in the 2019 and 2020 seasons, the Porsche PAYCE and MICHELIN Virtual Cup will also allow the local drivers to pit their driving skills against former and current Porsche Motorsport stars. Headlining the Porsche All-star International entry will be 2018 Porsche PAYCE Carrera Cup Australia Champion and current Porsche Junior Driver, Jaxon Evans. Evans has been a regular top-five contender in the Porsche Mobil1 Supercup Virtual Edition this year and will share the International All-Star entry over the six round virtual season with Porsche factory driver, Matt Campbell –the 2016 Porsche PAYCE Carrera Cup Australia Champion.



The Porsche Legends car for the opening round has been entrusted to the 2004 Carrera Cup Australia Champion, Alex Davison who is currently competing in the BP Supercars All-Stars Eseries.

Adding a further international flavour to the new official online series - the first in Porsche Cars Australia's history - will also see two entrants from Porsche Motorsport Asia Pacific in the form of Earl Bamber Motorsport's Reid Harker and Will Bamber take to the Philip Island grid.

The Porsche Team entry for crew members of Carrera Cup teams has been allocated to Porsche Centre Melbourne for Round 1, with crew member Jess Hammond at the wheel.

Apart from the leading Michelin Junior, Mobil Pro and Pro-Am drivers from both the Carrera Cup and Michelin Sprint Challenge, the full field of 44 cars in Round 1 will also play host to former series drivers like Michael Patrizi, Bathurst 1000-winner Johnathan Webb and Supercup star, Joey Mawson.

Porsche Cars Australia's Head of Motorsport, Troy Bundy said, "We are thrilled to have a full field of 44 cars for the opening round of the Porsche PAYCE and Michelin Virtual Cup. We've had a lot of interest since the series was announced and I'm looking forward to a good evening of fun, competitive racing for all our drivers. It's also great for our current top drivers to have this opportunity to pit their skills against not only former Bathurst winners like Jono Webb, but also international stars like Jaxon, Matt and Joey."

In addition, Porsche has also secured a mystery guest driver for the full season in the Geisterfahrer (Ghost Driver) Car. Fans of the Porsche Motorsport Australia social pages will be invited to guess who he/she is at the end of the series to stand a chance of winning a 1:43 scale Porsche 911 RSR model. More details on this will be announced this week.

Post-race highlights of each event will be promoted on Porsche Motorsport Australia social channels, with all three races shown on the CarreraCupAus Youtube channel at 20:00 (Melbourne time) every Friday evening of the race week, with commentary from Carrera Cup series commentator, Richard Crail.

Follow Porsche Motorsport Australia on Facebook and Instagram @PorscheMotorsportAU to keep up-to-date with information about the Porsche PAYCE and MICHELIN Virtual Cup Australia Championship.

Entry list: Round 1 - Philip Island

	Category	Class	First Name	Last Name	Racing Number
1	Geisterfahrer	Pro	Ghost	Driver	1
2	Carrera Cup	Pro	Thomas	Maxwell	2
3	Carrera Cup	Pro	Will	Bamber	3

4	Carrera Cup	Pro	Reid	Harker	4
5	Sprint Challenge	Pro-Am	Nathan	Murray	5
6	Carrera Cup	Pro-Am	Tim	Miles	6
7	Sprint Challenge	Pro	Ryan	Suhle	7
8	Carrera Cup	Pro	Nick	McBride	8
9	Carrera Cup	Pro-Am	Marc	Cini	9
10	Carrera Cup	Pro	Sam	Brabham	10
11	Sprint Challenge	Pro	Kyle	Gurton	11
12	Carrera Cup	Pro	Harri	Jones	12
13	Sprint Challenge	Pro-Am	Matthew	Belford	14
14	Carrera Cup	Pro	Josh	Hunt	15
15	Carrera Cup	Pro	Michael	Patrizi	16
16	Sprint Challenge	Pro	Callum	Hedge	17
17	Sprint Challenge	Pro-Am	Marcel	Zalloua	18
18	Carrera Cup	Pro	Jono	Webb	22
19	Carrera Cup	Pro-Am	Liam	Talbot	27
20	Sprint Challenge	Pro-Am	Rob	Woods	29
21	Carrera Cup	Pro-Am	David	Ryan	30
22	Carrera Cup	Pro	Duvashen	Padayachee	34
23	Carrera Cup	Pro	Cooper	Murray	36
24	Carrera Cup	Pro	David	Wall	38
25	Sprint Challenge	Pro-Am	Sergio	Pires	55
26	Carrera Cup	Pro	Fraser	Ross	59
27	Sprint Challenge	Pro-Am	John	Goodacre	66
28	Sprint Challenge	Pro	Matthew	Payne	67
29	Carrera Cup	Pro-Am	Greg	Ward	68
30	Sprint Challenge	Pro-Am	Michael	Hovey	73
31	Sprint Challenge	Pro	Christian	Pancione	76
32	Carrera Cup	Pro	Michael	Almond	77
33	Carrera Cup	Pro	Aaron	Love	78
34	Sprint Challenge	Pro-Am	Brett	Boulton	84
35	Sprint Challenge	Pro	Ollie	Shannon	88
36	Team - PCM	Pro-Am	Jesse	Hammond	89
37	Sprint Challenge	Pro-Am	Emanuel	Palyaris	91
38	Carrera Cup	Pro	Joey	Mawson	96
39	Carrera Cup	Pro	Dale	Wood	100
40	Carrera Cup	Pro	Cameron	Hill	111
41	Sprint Challenge	Pro-Am	Graham	Williams	131
42	Carrera Cup	Pro	Max	Vidau	777

43	Porsche Legends	Pro	Alex	Davison	911
44	Porsche Intl All-stars	Pro	Jaxon	Evans	912

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