

Porsche drivers take on the “Green Hell”

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21/04/2017 Nine Porsche works drivers and two Porsche Young Professionals will contest the Nürburgring 24-hour race with the Porsche 911 GT3 R.

With the deployment of these drivers, Porsche Motorsport supports customer teams at Germany's greatest motorsport event on the legendary Nürburgring-Nordschleife, where more than 200,000 fans are expected on 27/28 May. The following works pilots will share driving duties in four of the 500 hp customer sport racers from Weissach: Jörg Bergmeister (Germany), Michael Christensen (Denmark), Romain Dumas (France), Richard Lietz (Austria), Frédéric Makowiecki (France), Sven Müller (Germany), Patrick Pilet (France), Laurens Vanthoor (Belgium), Dirk Werner (Germany). The Young Professionals Matteo Cairoli (Italy) and Matthieu Jaminet (France) join forces to tackle the long-distance classic in another 911 GT3 R.

"We've made the conscious decision to back our customer teams rather than compete against them in the VLN races and at the Nürburgring 24-hour race. We're supporting them by supplying works drivers as well as technical assistance," says Sebastian Golz, Project Manager GT Customer Motorsport. "The expertise of our teams

Falken Motorsports, Frikadelli Racing and Manthey Racing combined with our support and the concept of the 911 GT3 R have underlined in the VLN1 and VLN2 preparation races that we're currently on the right path. We claimed pole position and overall victory at both of these events and also won the amateur classification. With our customer squads we'll now take on the challenge of the Nürburgring 24-hour race and the strong opposition from other manufacturers' works teams."

Porsche customer teams at the Nürburgring 24 Hours

Manthey Racing, 911 GT3 R #911 *
Romain Dumas, Richard Lietz, Frédéric Makowiecki, Patrick Pilet

Falken Motorsports, 911 GT3 R #44 *
Jörg Bergmeister, Martin Ragginger, Laurens Vanthoor, Dirk Werner

Manthey Racing, 911 GT3 R #12 **
Matteo Cairoli, Matthieu Jaminet, Otto Klohs, Robert Renauer

Frikadelli Racing Team, 911 GT3 R #30 **
Klaus Abbelen, Sabine Schmitz, Andreas Ziegler

Frikadelli Racing Team, 911 GT3 R #31 *
Klaus Bachler, Michael Christensen, Lucas Luhr, Norbert Siedler

Manthey Racing, 911 GT3 R #59 **
Sven Müller, Hari Proczyk, Reinhold Renger, S. Smith

* Pro category ** Amateur category

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