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## BMW Motorrad BoxerCup – motorcycle racing with guaranteed edge-of-seat thrills.

Successful start to the racing series at Lausitzring.



**Munich.** Last week the new version of the BMW Motorrad BoxerCup promoted by Wilbers saw its premiere at Lausitzring – and the series got off to an excellent start. All riders compete on identical BMW R nineT Racer machines, so gripping neck-and-neck duels are guaranteed. On the first racing weekend there were 13 riders out to collect points. Even in the qualifying sessions, podium positions were separated by mere hundredths of a second. The race itself saw riders battling it out for places, promising huge excitement for the remaining five racing events, which will definitely be worth attending.

#### **Equal conditions for everyone.**

In the BoxerCup, teams line up on technical identical BMW R nineT Racer machines which have been modified for use on the race track. All bikes have the same modifications, including Wilbers fork alteration and shock absorbers, Ilmberger cylinder head covers, engine spoiler and tail panel, Akrapovič sports silencer and titanium manifold, BMW Motorrad ABS with racing software, Gilles

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Tooling footrest system with shift reverse option and Dunlop tyres. As such, victory or defeat is determined solely by the rider's skills, courage – and a little bit of luck.

#### International riders.

With riders from Germany, Switzerland, Belgium and the USA, the Cup is international in format right from the outset. In addition to racing newcomers and experienced amateurs, "old warhorses" from the motorcycle racing scene such as Harald Kitsch and Nate Kern have also signed up. Another entrant who is always good for a surprise is Christof "Fifty" Höfer, well-known blogger and 2017 winner of the Suzuki GSX-R 1000 Cup.

#### **Exciting premiere at Lausitzring.**

As things turned out, these were the very names that left their mark at the Lausitzring premiere. The two riders of Team Wunderlich Motorsport – Chris Höfer (GER) and Nate Kern (USA) – proved unbeatable. Höfer finished first in both heats, while team colleague Nate Kern (USA) came in second on each occasion – a perfect double victory. Third place on the podium went to Marvin Jürgens (GER / Team Motorsport Burgdorf) on both occasions.

#### The next BMW Motorrad BoxerCup races:

21. – 23.06.2019 Zolder (BEL)

26. – 28.07.2019 Schleiz (GER)

09. – 11.08.2019 Most (CZ)

06. - 08.09.2019 Assen (NL)

27. – 29.09.2019 Hockenheim (GER)

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In 2018, the BMW Group sold over 2,490,000 passenger vehicles and more than 165,000 motorcycles worldwide. The profit before tax in the financial year 2018 was € 9,815 billion on revenues amounting to € 97,480 billion. As of 31 December 2018, the BMW Group had a workforce of 134,682 employees.

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