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First test for the new BMW M4 DTM in Oschersleben – Tom Blomqvist makes guest appearance in Asia.

Whether in the DTM, the IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship, or countless other championships: week after week BMW teams and drivers around the world do battle for points, victories and titles. Away from the track too, members of the large BMW Motorsport family around the world are also creating headlines. The “BMW Motorsport News” allows us to regularly summarise all the action for you in a compact and informative manner. This way, you are always up to speed.

DTM: Successful first test for the new BMW M4 DTM.

Two weeks after the grand finale at the Hockenheimring (DE), all three manufacturers in the DTM took part in a three-day test at the “Motorsport Arena Oschersleben” (DE). The focus was on initial set-up work with the next generation of the BMW M4 DTM. In action for BMW at the 3.696-kilometre circuit near Magdeburg (DE) were newly-crowned champion Marco Wittmann (DE) and his team-mate at BMW Team RMG, Timo Glock (DE). Together, they completed 430 laps. The BMW M4 DTM will make its next appearance at the test in Portimão (PT) from 14th to 17th November.

FIA Formula 3 World Cup: Félix da Costa, Sims and Eriksson in action in Macau.

As well as a spectacular street circuit, which guarantees exciting race action, fans at the FIA Formula 3 World Cup in Macau (MO) can also look forward to plenty of BMW Power. As well as BMW works drivers António Félix da Costa (PT) and Alexander Sims (GB), BMW Motorsport Junior Joel Eriksson (SE) will also take on the iconic Guia Circuit (MO) on 20th November. The race is the highlight of the Formula 3 calendar. In 2012, the name Félix da Costa went down in the list of winners. This year, he will be looking to taste success for the Carlin team. GT specialist Sims, who won the 24 Hours of Spa-Francorchamps (BE) in a BMW M6 GT3 in July, will make his return to single-seater racing. Having finished third in 2015, he is set for his seventh appearance at the FIA Formula 3 World Cup in Macau. Sims will race for Double R Racing. In contrast, the Guia Circuit is new terrain for Eriksson. He will make his debut at the iconic circuit with the Motopark team.

Asian Le Mans Series: Blomqvist makes guest appearance in Zhuhai.

BMW DTM driver Tom Blomqvist (GB) was in action for the AAI team at the 4 Hours of Zhuhai (CN) as part of the Asian Le Mans Series. However, Blomqvist was forced to end his guest start alongside Lin Yu (CN) and Akira Iida (JP) early when the BMW M6 GT3 retired after 86 laps. Before that, Blomqvist and his colleagues had driven a strong race, moving up from 13th on the grid and temporarily into third place in the GT class. The next stop on the race calendar of the Asian Le Mans Series is Fuji (JP) from 1st - 3rd December.



Australian GT Championship: Debut in Hampton Downs.

Hampton Downs (NZ) hosted the Australian Endurance Championship for the first time this weekend. At the penultimate race of the season, local hero Steve Richards (NZ) and Max Twigg (AU) once again competed in the BMW M6 GT3 for BMW Team SRM. The duo narrowly missed out on the Top 10 Shootout in qualifying and started the race from 11th on the grid. After 97 laps, Richards and Twigg crossed the finish line in 15th place. The season finale will be held at Highlands Park (NZ) from 11th to 13th November.

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