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## Rob Collard celebrates BTCC win in the BMW 125i M Sport - Tom Blomqvist and António Félix da Costa at the wheel of the BMW M2 Coupé.

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.

## British Touring Car Championship: Collard wins in Croft, Tordoff extends championship lead.

The West Surrey Racing team continued its winning ways in the British Touring Car Championship (BTCC). On the fifth race weekend of the season, Rob Collard (GB) topped the podium in Croft after finishing first in his BMW 125i M Sport. Collard won the second of three races that took place on Sunday. In the other two races, he finished in seventh and fourth positions respectively. His team-mate Sam Tordoff (GB) extended the lead in the BTCC championship standings in Croft. Tordoff finished in second place in the turbulent third race of the day – heavy rainfall started just before the race began. In the previous two races, he had finished in 13<sup>th</sup> and eighth. The strong performance from West Surrey Racing was completed by Jack Goff (GB), who drove his BMW 125i M Sport to two fourth places, as well as finishing in ninth in the other race.

## DTM: Blomqvist and Félix da Costa at the wheel of the BMW M2 Coupé.

During the break between the DTM races at the Lausitzring (DE) and the Norisring (DE), the BMW DTM drivers Tom Blomqvist (GB) and António Félix da Costa (PT) are making an appearance in the Hungarian capital of Budapest. As part of a media event at the Hungaroring, international journalists have the chance to get to know the new BMW M2 on the track. Last week, Blomqvist showed the media representatives just how dynamic the movement of the new BMW M2 Coupé is. "The BMW M2 Coupé has enormous speed, and its agility and handling are just fantastic," said Blomqvist. "It was great fun to be driving it on the Hungaroring. The way it behaves in the tight bends and through the climbs and descents was very impressive." Félix da Costa will travel to Budapest at the start of next week, before continuing to the Norisring. Blomqvist and Félix da Costa will be back in their BMW M4 DTMs there next weekend, battling for points in the seventh and eighth races of the 2016 DTM season.

## Touring Car Endurance Series: BMW Teams celebrate two class wins at the 24h Slovakia Ring.

The 24-hour race at the "Slovakia Ring" near Bratislava (SK) was the second race in the new Touring Car Endurance Series (TCES). BMW teams celebrated two class wins. In the Cup 1 class, the Speedlover team from Sorg Securtal Rennsport won by a significant margin. The number 153 BMW M235i Racing was driven by Jean-

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Michel Gerome (BE), Pierre-Yves Paque (BE), Jesus Diez (ES) and José Manuel de los Milagros (ES). This quartet claimed fifth place in the overall standings. In the D1 class, victory went to Austria's Michael Winkler, Simon Kölbl, Markus Mair, Markus Reitbaur and Markus Haider in the Winkler Tuning BMW 123d.

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