

# Lamborghini Blancpain Super Trofeo Championship to be decided in Germany

Nürburgring series finale to be broadcast live online

17 September 2013, Sant'Agata Bolognese. With its neighbouring association with motor racing legend, the Nürburging is a fitting venue for a hard fought Lamborghini Blancpain Super Trofeo season to draw to a conclusion as the European season comes down to the wire.

#### Fast Facts

- Cédric Leimer looks to claim his third title in five seasons
- Three other cars remain in contention for the PRO-AM title
- Laurent Jenny holds a strong lead in the Amateur Championship
- Races to be broadcast live online with commentary

As in 2012, Cédric Leimer is the man to beat, the Swiss driver gunning for his third title in five seasons of racing with Lamborghini. He will arrive in the Eifel Mountains with a slender advantage of just 11 points, 8 less than the cushion he took to last season's final race in Navarra in Spain and will be only too aware that 30 points are on offer from the weekend's two final races.

Leimer is a strategic master, knowing just where to battle and pick his fights, and when to stand off and bank points for the title. But this season has been notable for the emergence of some highly capable and determined challengers, not least Imperiale's Andrea Amici, the 21 year old Roman who has built a 40% win ratio over the course of the year. And a little way behind on points, but still more than just a mathematical challenger is last season's Amateur champion, Leonardo Geraci, who has graduated with honours to the professional ranks. Geraci is matched on points by the partnership of the PRO-AM pairing of Adrian Zaugg, very often the fastest man on the track, and his team-mate, Federico De Nora. All four drivers have the capacity to challenge Leimer's hegemony.

It is not just of course the PRO-AM field looking to secure championship titles. With an almost unassailable 24 point lead, Laurent Jenny looks to have the Amateur title for the taking, offering the possibility for AutoVitesse Garage R. Affolter to take a clean sweep of all four season crowns for drivers and teams.

And while the title contenders will be focused on a solitary goal, in their midst are plenty who have a simpler ambition to win races, which is likely to be an influencing factor in the championship outcome. Mirko Zanardini, Fran Bugliotti, Richard Chlad, Alberto Viberti and many others in the 21 car field have shown the clear pace to be able to win races outright,

### Live Broadcast

A fully produced broadcast of the two weekend races, complete with English-language commentary, will be available at <a href="http://squadracorse.lamborghini.com/en/live/">http://squadracorse.lamborghini.com/en/live/</a> at 1150hrs CET on Saturday September 21 and 0930hrs CET for race two on Sunday September 22.

### Frankfurt debut for road-going cousin

As a genuinely international motor racing series now with established championships in Europe, Asia and North America, it is fitting that Automobili Lamborghini's enhanced commitment to motorsport is directly reflected in its road car line-up. At the recent Frankfurt Motorshow, the cover were taken off the lightest, fastest ever variant of the much-vaunted Gallardo, the Lamborghini Gallardo LP 570-4 Squadra Corse, which features drivetrain, aerodynamics, electronics and carbon composite materials derived directly from the Super Trofeo race car.

The result is a stunning power-to-weight ratio of 2.35 kilograms per HP for the new Squadra Corse model, which covers 0 to 100 km/h in a mere 3.4 seconds and reaches 200 km/h in just 10.4 seconds with a top speed of 320 KM/h.



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## Lamborghini Squadra Corse

Lamborghini Squadra Corse is a specialist team within Lamborghini's R&D department dedicated to motorsport including GT3, the Super Trofeo series, and a customer driving program.

From 2013, the Squadra Corse will provide an integrated approach to Lamborghini driving experiences. A new series of 'Esperienza' events provide enthusiasts and prospects with opportunity for a first test-drive and to experience the world of Lamborghini.

The Lamborghini Academies, on both track and ice, provide driver training and the initial steps towards racing.

The Super Trofeo series provides the perfect first race experience for young and gentleman drivers, with the Lamborghini GT3 for more experienced racers wanting to compete with the Lamborghini marque worldwide.

### Race Calendar for 2013

In Europe, the Lamborghini Blancpain Super Trofeo will again partner the Blancpain Endurance Series.

Monza (ITA) 13/14 April
Misano (ITA) 04/05 May
Silverstone (GBR) 01/02 June
Paul Ricard (FRA) 29 June/01 July
Spa (BEL) 25/28 July

Nurburgring (DEU) 21/22 September



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#### Blancpain

The Lamborghini Blancpain Super Trofeo will once again enjoy the sponsorship of the premium watch maker, Blancpain.

Founded in 1735 by Jean-Jacques Blancpain, the watch brand bearing his name is the oldest in the world. Blancpain is currently engaged to the renewal of mechanical watchmaking and to passing on exceptional expertise from one generation to the next through constant investment in human resources, production facilities and research. This approach is its strength and the expression of our long-term vision, even though it goes against the tide of a certain tendency to seek immediate profit.

From the creation of components through to watch design, Blancpain is distinguished by its ability to develop exceptional movements. Over the past seven years, the Manufacture has indeed developed no less than 26 new calibres.

Through its various models, Blancpain preserves its heritage of precision and elegance, while also displaying an innovative and occasionally provocative spirit. Its range encompasses the sportive Legolution line, the legendary Fifty Fathoms diver's watch, as well as the classic Villeret collection, the high complication from Le Brassus collection and the feminine Women models.

While remaining loyal to its fundamental values, Blancpain quite naturally associates with the world of fine automotive mechanical engineering, since the key values of precision, reliability and sturdiness are required and shared by both cars and watches.

### Pirelli

Founded in 1872, Pirelli is the world's fifth largest tyre manufacturer based on revenues. With a presence in over 160 countries, the company now has 22 tyre manufacturing facilities on five continents and employs some 34,000 people.

Having been involved in motor racing since 1907, Pirelli is currently the single tyre manufacturer for Formula 1<sup>™</sup> for the 2011-2013 championship seasons and for the World Superbike Championship. This is an important challenge in terms of technological innovation and is a key means of promoting the Pirelli brand.

In 2013, Pirelli underlines its status as the global tyre manufacturer with the biggest commitment to motorsport. In total, the Italian firm supplies 138 different championships across the world, excluding Formula One, both on the road and on the track. One of the most important engagements is the Lamborghini Blancpain Super Trofeo, supplied exclusively by Pirelli, which highlights the strong technical collaboration that the two Italian icons have shared since 1963.

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