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Paddock radar from the ADAC GT Masters at the Nürburgring

- ADAC GT Masters partner Kärcher holds workshop at the 'Ring'
- Nürburgring is major attraction for many partners of the ADAC GT Masters
- Top motor racing bosses from Porsche and Opel at ADAC GT Masters

Sporting programme: Christian May, Managing Director of Retail Channels at ADAC GT Masters partner Kärcher held a joint workshop with his fellow board members at the Nürburgring before taking them on a guided tour of the Super Sports Car League paddock. May presented the ADAC GT Masters winners with their race trophies on Sunday.

Partners at the track: Many other partners of the ADAC GT Masters were also at the Nürburgring. Michael Mews, Chief Sales Officer of Postcon Germany, presented the runners-up with their trophies after Sunday's race. Frank Delesen, CEO of Pirelli Germany, congratulated the winners following Saturday's race, David Jahn & Kevin Estre. Dr Frank Steffen Walliser, Head of Motorsport at Porsche, presented trophies in the ADAC Formula 4. Hermann Scheuer, Brand Manager at Union Glashütte also came to sample the delights at the circuit as did Heinz Remmen from H&R. Jörg Schrott, Head of Motorsport at Opel, was another visitor to the Eifel and was delighted with the successful debut of the Opel Astra TCR in the ADAC TCR Germany.

Once upon a time: The ADAC GT Masters and, with it, the new GT3 class made their debut in Germany in the ADAC 24-hour race 3,348 days ago. The ADAC, the German Automobile Club, proved to have a sixth sense. Ten years on, and the Super Sports Car League is still as popular at this venue as it was at the start back in 2007. The Corvette Z06 has contested all 143 Super Sports Car League races held so far and is still in the line-up along with Christopher Haase, the first ADAC GT Masters champion.

'Swab in, swab out!': The DKMS charitable trust came to the ADAC GT Masters at the Nürburgring to take advantage of the fan-friendly environment and raise awareness of its campaign to tackle the scourge of leukaemia. In cooperation with ADAC Formula 4 driver Jannes Fittje, the DKMS carried out blood-typing in the paddock. ADAC Head of Motorsport Lars Soutschka was one of the first to set a good example and have his blood type-matched at the DKMS stand according to the trust's slogan: 'Swab in, swab out!'

Three questions for... Team Principal and sports car world champion Timo Bernhard

You are contesting your first season in the ADAC GT Masters as team principal at KÜS TEAM75 Bernhard. How have things gone so far?

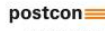
"Very well, I have to say. I first began putting together a programme for the ADAC GT Masters along with my father in July 2015. We've been very well received in the series. It's a great motor racing platform – for our partners too, who are getting more and more interested. I can now honestly say that we've reached an ideal position at this fifth race weekend. A lot of passion and meticulous work have gone into this project."

How are the team settling in with the new Porsche 911 that you are racing in the ADAC GT Masters?

"The Porsche was the newest of the many new models that were introduced for the 2016 season, so we had the least amount of time to get used to it. Still, we've also noticed a trend developing – all our team members are getting better with every race weekend, and of course, as they improve, so does the car. We're getting more used to it all the time and are able to adjust setup accordingly."



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From a sporting point of view, you can be really satisfied with two wins in the last three races and pole position for the second race at the Nürburgring.

"Definitely. We're developing a certain consistency in our performance. Kévin Estre joined the team at the Red Bull Ring and is now our second regular driver. He's obviously a real find with his motor racing experience. David Jahn is also shaping up really well. I feel very confident about the rest of the races this season."

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