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### Paddock radar from the ADAC GT Masters finale in Hockenheim

- Timo Scheider and Bernd Schneider at ADAC GT Masters finale
- Albert von Thurn und Taxis looking forward to rally
- Touring car legend Klaus Ludwig celebrates 65th birthday on Sunday

**Von Thurn und Taxis excited about rally:** Albert von Thurn und Taxis is used to drifting wildly on the racetrack in the ADAC GT Masters in his 650-bhp Chevrolet Camaro, but the 2010 ADAC GT Masters champion will be trying his luck on loose ground at the weekend. Von Thurn und Taxis is taking part in the ADAC Rallye Masters in the Lausitz, lining up in a Mitsubishi. “The Lausitz Rally is the only rally in Germany to be staged on gravel, and I’m really looking forward to getting behind the wheel of a rally car once again after a long break,” he said before his rally outing.

**Timo Scheider at ADAC GT Masters:** Two-time DTM Champion Timo Scheider attended the ADAC GT Masters finale in Hockenheim. The Audi works driver wished fellow Audi drivers Kelvin van der Linde and René Rast from team Prosperia C Abt Racing good luck on their way to taking the title and also took the opportunity to find out about the new ADAC Formula 4 which replaces Formel ADAC next year. Scheider will field his own team in the new ADAC junior series. On Saturday, Scheider also presented the prizes to Formel ADAC winners.

**‘King’ Ludwig turns 65:** Legendary German racing driver Klaus Ludwig, father of ADAC GT Masters driver Luca Ludwig, celebrates his 65th birthday on Sunday. Ludwig is held in high esteem as one of Germany’s best touring car drivers, having won the DTM three times and taken victories in the 24-hour race at Le Mans and at the Nürburgring. In 2008, Ludwig secured three race wins in the ADAC GT Masters, driving a Corvette.

**Schneider and Moers in Hockenheim:** DTM record-breaking champion Bernd Schneider and Tobias Moers, CEO of Mercedes AMG, were also at the ADAC GT Masters finale in Hockenheim. Schneider will join ADAC Sports President Hermann Tomczyk on Sunday to present the prizes to the winners of the final Formel ADAC race to be staged before the junior formula series is replaced next year by the new ADAC Formula 4.

**Kärcher guest at finale:** Christian May, Managing Director of Alfred Kärcher Vertriebs-GmbH, attended the ADAC GT Masters finale in Hockenheim on Sunday. The CEO of Kärcher was given a guided tour behind the scenes of the Super Sports Car League and later joined ADAC Sports President Hermann Tomczyk in awarding the trophies to the winners of the second race. Kärcher, the world’s leading manufacturer of cleaning equipment, and the ADAC GT Masters have been partners since 2012.

**Wish upon a Star in Hockenheim:** Porsche driver Philipp Frommenwiler was pleased to welcome some special visitors. Four children from the Sternschnuppen e.V. Foundation called on the Swiss driver to take a look behind the scenes at the ADAC GT Masters. The foundation grants wishes to seriously ill young children – this time, a trip to a race weekend at the Hockenheimring was on the agenda. A guided tour of the pits, collecting autographs during the pit walk and sitting behind the wheel of the 500-bhp 911 made the day an unforgettable experience for the kids.

**Seyffarth in front of TV cameras:** Jan Seyffarth becomes a TV star on Sunday. The Mercedes-Benz driver is taking part in the ARD television documentary ‘Germany. Your Day’ and was accompanied by a TV crew in Hockenheim. The twelve-hour documentary follows 82 people across Germany and documents a typical Sunday in Germany. The programme goes out next year on October 5th.

**Footballer Heinz Müller guest:** Former Bundesliga goalkeeper Heinz Müller attended the ADAC GT Masters finale in Hockenheim and took a close look at the Super Sports Car League. The former Mainz 05 goalie is a keen amateur racing driver and will shortly test in a Mercedes-Benz SLS AMG. If the test is successful, Müller might line up next year in the ADAC GT Masters.

**Reader reporters at ADAC GT Masters:** Two reader reporters from ADAC Motorwelt came to the ADAC GT Masters paddock at Hockenheim. This was their prize for winning a competition in Motorwelt, a trip to the finale weekend in Hockenheim. At the circuit, the reader reporters got a glimpse behind the scenes at the racing series, as they visited the media centre, met the track commentator and had a look around the pit lane and the grid.

**Family photo:** To mark the end of the ADAC GT Masters season, all the journalists and photographers accredited to the ADAC GT Masters took their places on the podium for a group 'family' photo. A total of some 100 accredited media representatives reported from the ADAC GT Masters finale at Hockenheim.

**Journalists donate money to ADAC Sports Foundation:** ADAC GT Masters accredited journalists gave more than 1,000 euros to the ADAC Sports Foundation. The money raised to assist junior motor racing drivers came from journalists who decided to forego the refund of deposits paid for photographers' vests.

**Dechent remembered:** Callaway Competition commemorated the memory of Hans-Dieter Dechent with the inscription 'In memoriam HDD' on the Corvette driven by Andreas Wirth and Daniel Keilwitz. The former racing driver and team manager passed away on September 20th at the age of 74. Dechent had been a supporter of the ADAC GT Masters since the word go and active in the Super Sports Car League in recent years as a team boss and as tutor to Christian Hohenadel. In the late 1960s, he attracted aperitif manufacturer Martini to motorsport, winning the 24 Hours of Le Mans in 1971 with his Martini Racing Team at the wheel of a Porsche 917 together with Dr Helmut Marko, who is currently Red Bull's motorsport advisor.

### Calendar for the 2014 ADAC GT Masters

25/04 – 27/04/14	etropolis Motorsport Arena Oschersleben
09/05 – 11/05/14	Circuit Park Zandvoort (NED)
23/05 – 25/05/14	Lausitzring
06/06 – 08/06/14	Red Bull Ring (AUT)
08/08 – 10/08/14	Slovakia Ring (SVK)
29/08 – 31/08/14	Nürburgring
19/09 – 21/09/14	Sachsenring
03/10 – 05/10/14	Hockenheimring Baden-Württemberg

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