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CARRERA CUP THRILLER PREDICTED FOR WINTON

Porsche Carrera Cup Championship drivers are expected to repeat their outstanding performance displayed at the F1 ING Australian Grand Prix in Melbourne at Winton this weekend.

With a two-month break from the Championship and almost three years since the category raced at Winton, drivers are eager to get behind the wheel and continue with Round Two of the Championship at Winton.

Porsche Cars Australia Managing Director Michael Winkler said, "this is the first time the new 997 specification GT3 race cars will be at Winton and the superior aerodynamics and sequential 6-speed gearbox should enable them to lap faster than the previous model.

"I expect the racing to be closer because in reality there are between six and ten very experienced and talented drivers all with the potential to win this weekend," said Winkler.

Porsche Carrera Cup Chief Executive Theo Psaros said, "the faster cars will mean a repeat of the brilliant racing we witnessed at the GP for the non-Championship Round in March."

Number two on the Championship ladder, Alex Davison (OAMPS Insurance) said, "having been up the front in Adelaide and Melbourne, I'm feeling confident about Winton, and along with Reynolds and Baird, will be keeping my eye on Russell and Marshall who haven't been far behind.

"Winton Raceway is a tight course and not my favourite, but I'm feeling confident going into Round Two," said Davison.

David Russell (Boom Logistics) said, "we've had a few test sessions in the lead up to Winton which has helped me get a better understanding of how the car's working. I'm really looking forward to getting back into the Championship."

Dean Fiore (Sonic Racing) said, "I've put a lot of effort into physical training including taking part in boot camp, and with a practice session at Winton under my belt I'm pretty pumped about Round Two."

MAN Trucks is the official sponsor of Round Two of the Porsche Carrera Cup Championship.

Race One will be televised live on Channel 7 on Saturday 19 May from 3.15 – 3.45pm with the Carrera Cup program broadcast on Saturday 2 June at 1.30pm.

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