

Formula 1 of hill climb racing at Uphöfener Berg

8th round of the FIA European Hill Climb Championship at the Int. 57th Hill Climb Race Osnabrück on 2-3 August

The legendary Uphöfener Berg track near Osnabrück in northwestern Germany will welcome top European hill climb racers on 2-3 August for the Int. 57th Hill Climb Race Osnabrück. There will also be various activities for fans and families in the paddock.

Drivers from around 20 countries will compete in national and international championships on the 2.030 km track. These include the German, Luxembourg and the Belgian hill climb championships, and the highlight will be the 8th of 11 rounds of the FIA European Hill Climb Championship, where top drivers will be competing for important points and cash prizes.

"The Osnabrück hill climb is one of the most well-known in Europe," says Bernd Stegmann, Chairman of the Organising Committee at MSC Osnabrück e.V. "We are proud that for the first time all top drivers from different countries will be coming to us with their spectacular cars to offer our audience a weekend of exciting motorsport. And our supporting programme will entertain the entire family."

In the category of open sports racers four Nova Proto NP01-2 drivers are currently battling for the European crown: Kevin Petit (France), five-times European champion and Uphöfener Berg track record holder Christian Merli (Italy), Joseba Iraola Lanzagorta (Spain) and Sébastien Petit (France).

In what is probably Europe's best field of open-top racing cars, there are other top drivers who have a good chance of an overall podium in Osnabrück in 2025, among them last year's winner, the



German-Slovenian Patrik Zajelsnik, the Austrian Christoph Lampert, the Belgian Bruno Cazzoli and the three Swiss drivers Robin Faustini, Marcel Steiner and Joël Volluz - they all drive cutting-edge, high-performance open-top sports cars and have already won numerous championships at national and international level. The Formula racing cars are well worth watching out for too, especially the Formula 3000 cars of Italian Fausto Bormolini and Hungarian Laszlo Szasz.

Top favourites in the touring car category include Reto Meisel (Switzerland) with his Mercedes Benz SLK 340 Judd V8, Dan Michl (Czech Republic) with his Lotus Elise, Grzegorz Rosalski and Szymon Piekos (Poland), Igor Stefanowski (North Macedonia) with his Ferrari 488 Challenge, and Ronnie Bratschi (Switzerland), touring car record holder at Uphöfener Berg.

Legendary classic cars include the "Prinz" racers in the NSU Bergpokal as well as various youngtimers such as the Opel Kadett C, VW Golf 1 - 5, VW Polo, Ford Escort, BMW 2002, BMW 320, Audi S 1 or Audi 80. KW Berg-Cup will showcase a large number of them.

The 12th E-mobile Hill Climb Cup for electric and hybrid vehicles has long since become an integral part of the Osnabrück event. BYD and Tesla, two of the world's best-known electric vehicle brands, will be present for the first time. The all-electric VW ID.Buzz GTX with around 340 hp will be an eye-catcher for guests on and off the race track. The chances of victory in this competition are the same for all participants, as the focus is on consistency rather than overall speed.

As is typical for hill climb events, petrolheads will appreciate the opportunity to prowl the paddock, where drivers will often be available for a quick chat and a photo opportunity between runs.

Numerous partners of the Osnabrück hill climb provide an exciting programme of off-track activities. On Sunday 3 August, legendary



Formula 1 TV presenter Kai Ebel will be in the paddock and will take some interviews in his inimitable style.

Livestream of the Int. Osnabrück Hill Climb Race

For those who cannot be present at Uphöfener Berg there will again be a professional international livestream of all practice and race runs on Saturday and Sunday: www.osnabruecker-bergrennen.de

Timetable

Saturday 2 August, 8.00 - around 18.00: practice runs

Sunday 3 August, 8.00 - around 17.30: race runs, followed by the podium ceremony in the marquee

Tickets

Online under www.osnabruecker-bergrennen.de or on the gate

Further info

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