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VW Challenge heads to Zwartkops

Round 2 of the 2016 Comsol VW Challenge season takes place on Saturday, 19 March when a field of over 30 of South Africa's fastest racing Volkswagens will battle it out at Zwartkops Raceway.



At the opening round, held at Phakisa three weeks ago, the battle at the head of the class A field was between Tasmin Pepper (Campos Transport / Alpine Motors Polo) and Sheldon van der Linde with each of them taking a race win. Van der Linde was only making a guest appearance in the opening round – he has moved on to race in the Audi TT Cup in Europe – so Pepper will be looking for a new

challenger. Based on the results in the opening round Rory Atkinson (Comsol Polo) and Waldie Meintjes (LTR / Marty's Body & Spray Polo) are the most likely candidates although James Hurley (The Starter Pack Company Polo) and Wayne Crous (King Price Insurance Polo) could also be up there.

Reigning champion Nic Clarke (Central Technical Services Polo) knows he is going to have to fight to retain his overall and class B titles this year. Darren Nathan (Sextrader Polo) won both heats at Phakisa and will be looking for a repeat performance on Saturday. The leading duo are not likely to have it all their own way however as any of five or six drivers could mount a serious challenge. The Stewart

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brothers, Daine and Mile, in their RCS Security Services Polos, Jacques Smith (Hydra Arc Polo), Brad Hall (Hellermann Tyton Racing Polo) together with Francois van Zyl (Jesus Saves Polo) could all be in the mix. Adrian Wood (Polo) joining the series after a number of years competing on the national stage could be another one to watch.



In class C Luan Roos (Nathan's Motorsport Polo) and Graham Savage (Goldwagen JHB CBD and Wynberg Golf) shared the wins at Phakisa. 2016 class C champion Zander Roos (Nathans



Motorsport Polo) is likely to be back in action and should be a serious threat at the head of the field. Stuart Mack (Goldwagen JHB CBD and Wynberg Golf) should be back in his own car this round and, based on past performances at Zwartkops, will have a say in things at the sharp end. Others who could be in contention include Philip Croeser (ATE Polo), Shaun Crous (Ancro Building Projects Polo) and John

Johnstone (Circle Group Polo).

Qualifying is scheduled to take place at 08h30 with the first of the two 10-lap races at 11h40. The second race should get underway at 15h10.

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