We’re delighted to usher in our sixth global motorsport season with ambitions for 2019 that are stronger than ever; not only are we building on our success and robust performance from the previous five years, Bentley will reach its Centenary, and having transformed the face of motoring we feel this is an achievement most definitely worth celebrating.

Join the Bentley Motorsport team as we give you a behind-the-scenes look into the world of GT racing. 2018 saw the introduction of the 2nd generation GT3 and it has demonstrated that it has huge potential. Our team of top engineers, mechanics, drivers and staff are passionate, determined and devoted to Bentley, and work tirelessly in the pursuit of its success. They’ll get you as close to the action as possible and show you what it really means to be part of the Bentley family.

We look forward to welcoming you.

Brian Gush
Director of Motorsport

Find out more about Bentley’s 100 Extraordinary Years at: www.bentleymotors.com/100years
MOTORSPORT EVENT SEASON

Our Bentley Continental GT3 teams (you’ll learn more about them later in this magazine) compete internationally against GT machines from Ferrari, McLaren, Aston Martin, Porsche and many more.

THE BLANCPAIN GT SERIES

The Blancpain GT Series is the largest and most competitive GT championship in the world. Based in Europe, the series travels to the most iconic tracks.

Blancpain GT Series Sprint Cup

A Blancpain GT Series Sprint Cup event consists of two races of one hour per event.

- Brands Hatch, UK
- Misano, Italy
- Zandvoort, Netherlands
- Nürburgring, Germany
- Hungaroring, Hungary

Blancpain GT Series Endurance Cup

- Monza, Italy (3 hours)
- Silverstone, UK (3 hours)
- Paul Ricard, France (6 hours)
- Total 24HRS of Spa, Belgium (24 hours)

(Also part of the Intercontinental GT3 Challenge)

- Barcelona, Spain (3 hours)

*Blancpain GT Series Endurance Cup

INTERCONTINENTAL GT3 CHALLENGE

The Intercontinental GT3 Challenge season features four international endurance races and represents the highest achievement in long distance GT racing.

Intercontinental GT3 Challenge

- Bathurst, Australia (12 hours)
- California, USA (8 hours)
- Total 24HRS of Spa, Belgium (24 hours)
- Suzuka, Japan (10 hours)

*S Brewery Circuit, South Africa (9 hours)

*Bentley Customer Programme taking place at this race
BENTLEY MOTORSPORT: A WINNING HISTORY

The first Bentley race cars took the world by storm, advancing technology and racecraft to new levels.
Numerous speed and endurance records were successfully set at Indianapolis, the Isle of Man and Brooklands – not forgetting the legendary achievements of the Bentley Boys. Attaining victories at Le Mans in 1924, 1927, 1928, 1929 and 1930, Bentley’s racing domination echoed around the motoring world. This was the birth of Bentley’s motorsport heritage, and it set a standard that is still met to this day. By 2001, Bentley re-lived its heritage with a return to competition at the 24 Hours of Le Mans, entering two EXP Speed 8s. The team finished third, bringing Bentley back to the podium for the first time in 71 years. In 2003 the team successfully took the chequered flag with first and second places, marking a proud moment for Bentley.

Moving forward a decade – and using Bentley’s best-selling car, the Continental GT, as a platform – the first generation Continental GT3 was created. With its unique engine sound, powerful stance and aggressive lines, the Continental GT3 went on to delight fans around the world, winning races and championships galore.

2018 saw Bentley reveal the New Continental GT3 at Monza, Italy. Using every piece of learning from the first-generation car, no area was left untouched during technical development. Updates were made to the engine, gearbox and suspension, all housed within the aerodynamically-optimised bodywork crafted by Bentley’s styling team. With the same philosophy of weight reduction and state-of-the-art motorsport components, it delivered an even more focused and purposeful racing machine.

The New Continental GT3 epitomises the reasons why Bentley participates in this form of motorsport; its links to the past endurance races, the obvious connection to the road car and its customers, and the fact that it can be raced in a variety of top-class competitions around the world – and win!

With the ever-increasing number of customer teams racing across the globe, the trophy cabinet continues to grow.

For more information about Bentley History, go to: www.bentleymotors.com/100years

Tim Birkin

Tim Birkin gained the rank of lieutenant in the Royal Flying Corps during WW1. He went onto race with Woolf Barnato, winning Le Mans in 1927 driving the Speed Six.

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MEET THE MODERN BENTLEY BOYS

Back in the 1920s, the world’s toughest endurance races were dominated by a small band of British drivers and their Bentleys. With skilful driving and a great deal of courage, the original Bentley Boys earned a place in racing history, and started a tradition that continues today.

Endurance motorsport is designed to test both car and driver, and demands the best of the best. Our group of modern day Bentley Boys is split across two Continental GT3 cars #7 and #8.

In Car #7 we have British Bentley Boy Steven Kane, alongside Jules Gounon and Jordan Pepper who both joined us last year. Car #8 features the international trio of Andy Soucek, Maxime Soulet and Vincent Abril.

JORDAN PEPPER
Born: 31 July 1996
Nationality: South African

STEVEN KANE
Born: 5 June 1980
Nationality: British

JULES GOUNON
Born: 31 December 1994
Nationality: French

ANDY SOUCEK
Born: 14 June 1985
Nationality: Spanish

MAXIME SOULET
Born: 26 July 1983
Nationality: Belgian

VINCENT ABRIL
Born: 1 March 1995
Nationality: Monégasque
What's your favourite circuit and why?

JULES: I would say Spa because it's one of the most challenging tracks in the world, with a lot of fast corners where you need courage, bravery and also because I won it. For me, it's always really emotional to go back to this track.

JORDAN: Nurburgring Nordschleife just because of the high speed, no real track limits... it’s old-school fast. It’s really cool to be on the limit around that track. Spa is similar, but Nurburgring outweighs it. It’s the only track where you feel like you drive around with a smile on your face the whole time. It’s really enjoyable and challenging.

Who is your motorsport hero and what do you admire about them?

JULES: It may be boring, but Ayrton Senna. For what he inspires, the courage that he had and what he did.

JORDAN: I used to look up to Kimi Räikkönen quite a lot just because of his attitude and the way he approached things back in the McLaren days, but now I don’t really have one. Obviously I want to say Senna, for what he achieved – I was definitely a Senna not a Prost fan. But I wasn’t born then... so I’ll just go Kimi.

What do you most like about the new GT3

JULES: Everything. For me it’s the best looking car in the field. Development is underway to give the best car to the customer team next year, and at the moment the car is really nice to drive. I’m really happy to drive it.

JORDAN: It’s a massive step forward from the old car and just seems to be a much better package, every weakness we had before seems to be covered. Overall it’s by far the best looking car – the meanest looking car – as well as an all-round enjoyable car to drive.

What would be your choice of Bentley?

JULES: For sure the Bentley Continental GT. I’m lucky enough to have a first generation GT at home at the moment – Bentley gave it to me for 3 months. It looks amazing. It really is a beautiful car.

JORDAN: I would have to say the Bentayga. Just because... I don’t know! I wouldn’t go with the Mulliner just because it... maybe a little bit too much. But the Bentayga is a really cool SUV and with all the space and stuff. And it’s just really enjoyable to drive. And I think it’s the most practical Bentley, I think it will suit a younger person a little bit better.

What is your favourite holiday destination?

JULES: I don’t have one in particular – I just like nice water, a nice beach. Actually, I quite like my home town; that’s where I go on holiday because it’s so natural. It’s really nice to be there.

JORDAN: Has to be home in South Africa. I get to chill out with my family, take break and just enjoy the sunshine. It’s always summer when I go home in December time. It’s just nice relaxing with friends and family, enjoying good weather and good food.

What is your favourite film?

JULES: Inception.

JORDAN: Driven – I watch it before big races!

What is your best racing memory?

JULES: I would like to say 2017 for the GT master champion title that I got when I became German GT champion and also Spa 24hrs.

JORDAN: Obviously the last championship I won in 2014 was really cool because it kick-started my career. Without that I wouldn’t have been able to go into GT with the prize money. And then I had a few cool highlights, a few pole positions, the first podium for Bentley at Nordschleife and the top 20 shot out last year.

Do you have any strange superstitions or routines before a race?

JULES: Yes, I have plenty. I was always jumping into the left side of the car when I was younger on single seater. Now I can’t do it anymore. But I have a lot of superstitions with a lot of things... like socks, always putting the left sock on first, always putting the left boot on first. They’re things that help give you confidence and get you into your concentration circle before going into the car.

JORDAN: No. I just put everything on right before left, normally that’s it. It’s the only thing I do. I’m not too crazy with that stuff.

THE NEWEST MEMBERS OF THE TEAM

Introducing our two newest works team drivers, Jules Gounon and Jordan Pepper. Jules joined at the beginning of the 2018 season and Jordan joined the team in May when Guy Smith stepped down after Silverstone to take on a Bentley ambassador role.

We asked Jules and Jordan some quick-fire questions to help you get to know them a little better.
UNDER THE SKIN OF THE CONTINENTAL GT3

As a first glance, the new Continental GT3 shares many of the styling features with a luxury performance Continental GT you might own, see on the road or admire in Bentley's 207 retailers worldwide. But, what is underneath the lightweight, high-strength bodyshell?

Will Hunt, Engineer from the Bentley Motorsport Team talks us through some of the key features that turn a high-performance luxury GT car into a highly-tuned racer, designed to tackle the world’s finest race circuits.

CHASSIS
Double wishbone suspension used front and rear has been optimised for low friction and combined with adjustable four way dampers. All of the major components have been strategically placed to lower the centre of gravity and provide an optimal weight distribution.

BODYSHELL
The New Continental GT3 has been reshaped from the ground up, based on the Continental GT’s new mixed-metal bodyshell, enhanced further with a fully-optimised roll cage for added safety and stiffness. Everything about the new GT3’s aggressive styling has been designed to deliver aerodynamic performance that allows the driver to take full advantage of the cars immense power, while offering the highest possible grip.

INTERIOR
The interior was designed by the same styling team who produced the road car interior. The interior on the road car is mirrored with the race car alongside the requirements such as a safety seat, roll cage and drivers net. Other advances include a customisable switch panel and hand operated clutch as well as a Bentley trimmed safety seat.

ENGINE
The engine is an evolution of the renowned and race-proven 4.0-litre Bentley twin-turbo V8, with a totally redesigned dry sump oil system together with new optimised inlet and exhaust manifolds. This has allowed for the engine to be positioned lower and further down than the current car. Unrestricted power is in excess of 550 bhp.

ELECTRONICS
A bespoke power-assisted motorsport steering system has been developed in conjunction with pro and amateur drivers around the world. Designed to reduce complexity and weight, it also offers improved reliability and control.
GET CLOSE TO THE ACTION AND ENJOY EXCLUSIVE HOSPITALITY

Each Bentley racing experience is unique, and each circuit and location offers different opportunities. Whether you attend one race or several, as a guest of Bentley you can look forward to the following experiences:

- Premium entry to the circuits
- Dedicated Bentley parking
- Dedicated accreditation, where possible
- Exclusive tours of the Bentley pit garages and a chance to see the Continental GT3 race cars up close
- Pre-race grid walks*
- Pre-race Bentley parade laps**
- An opportunity to meet the drivers and engineers
- Incredible trackside views
- Hospitality throughout the day
- Race day gift bag

*Age restrictions apply **Blancpain Endurance Series Race – Subject to availability at circuits

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DISCOVER THE HOME OF BRITISH MOTORSPORT

Copse, Maggotts, Becketts and Stowe can only mean one thing – Silverstone. Acknowledged as one of the fastest tracks in the world, this one-time airfield began staging races in the late 1940s before being converted into a full-blow circuit fit for F1 world championship races in 1950.

Today, Silverstone is still a firm favourite for drivers. It’s also recognised as one of the best places on Earth to watch GT cars battle it out.

STATISTICS:

Length: 3.66 miles / 5.89 km
Corners: 18
Race Duration: 3 hours

Race Day Experience Package: 400€

At present there will not be a customer programme at this race in 2019

ITALY’S HISTORIC RACE CIRCUIT

Originally built in 1922, Monza was the world’s third permanent race circuit and the Italians still call it ‘La Pista Magica’, the magic track. Set in beautiful Italian woodland, just north of Milan, Monza consists of very long straights, tight chicanes, putting a premium on good braking stability and traction.

The circuit is famous for speed and skill, and the major features of the track include the Curva Grande, the Curva di Lesmo, the Variante Ascari and the Curve Parabolica.

STATISTICS:

Length: 3.6 miles / 5.79 km
Corners: 11
Race Duration: 3 hours

Race Day Experience Package: 400€

14 April 2019

MONZA

12 May 2019

SILVERSTONE
LUXURY PERFORMANCE RIVIERA-STYLE

Located near the Principality of Monaco and stunning St Tropez, the Circuit Paul Ricard typifies the glamour of the French Riviera.

Having played host to several grand prix, motorcycle races and GT Endurance races, Paul Ricard is one of the most advanced motorsport facilities in the world. With distinctive colourful run-off areas, you’ll find no gravel traps on this course. Blue strips made from a mixture of asphalt and tungsten, and a ‘red zone’ with an even more abrasive surface all serve to slow cars.

With its own private airport, hotels and restaurants, this is a circuit built as much for spectators as for drivers.

STATISTICS:
Length: 3.63 miles / 5.84 km
Corners: 13
Race Duration: 6 hours

Race Day Experience Package: 475€

THE LEGENDARY SPA-FRANCORCHAMPS

Driving challenges don’t come bigger than the revered Circuit de Spa-Francorchamps. It winds through Belgium’s moody Ardennes forest delivering some of the most demanding corners our team will face.

The first Total 24 Hours of Spa was held in 1924, using nine miles of public roads between the towns of Francorchamps, Malmedy and Stavelot. A purpose-built track was soon developed which incorporated some of those early parts of the course, including arguably the world’s most famous piece of racetrack, the fearsome Eau Rouge corner.

STATISTICS:
Length: 4.35 miles / 7.00 km
Corners: 21
Race Duration: 24 hours

Race Day Experience Package: 710€
One day packages available, contact the Bentley Motorsport Events Team for further information.
FINALE UNDER THE SUN

Hosting the final race of the Blancpain GT Series, the Circuit de Barcelona-Catalunya is seen as an all-rounder circuit with long straights and a variety of corners.

Located in the small town of Montmeló just northeast of Barcelona, it is the changeable wind conditions at the track that causes significant impact on the car’s aerodynamics and can change the teams’ performances from morning qualification to the afternoon race.

STATISTICS:

Length: 2.89 miles / 4.65 km

Corners: 16

Race Duration: 3 hours

Race Day Experience Package: 400€
Utilising engineering pedigree alongside a refined elegance in design, Princess Yachts very clearly match Bentley Motors in both their values and heritage. The blend of cutting edge technology and traditional craftsmanship set new standards in performance, and have allowed Princess Yachts to fit seamlessly into the world of Bentley Motorsport.

A WORD FROM OUR PARTNERS

Mobil 1 is a technical partner for Bentley Motorsport and the recommended oil choice for all Bentley products. The Mobil 1 team helps us to develop the race engine, keeping the Bentley running well despite an immense amount of stress. GT3 racing puts the engine under more strain than any other test. The oil helps our engines achieve a class-leading, exhilarating and impressive 20,000km journey.
MOTORSPORT COLLECTION: LUXURY PERFORMANCE

Inspired by the design language of the new Continental GT3 and its impact on the racing world, our Motorsport Collection embodies the thrill and energy of the sport. Each item features unique styling cues from the race car and is made to the same exacting standards as used by our race teams.

From the trackside style and comfort of our ladies and gents clothing to the highly distinctive designs of our accessories, this collection is a celebration of the exhilaration of racing – and a sporting heritage that spans the decades.

NEW FOR 2019

(1) SPRAY JACKET
€186 (excl. tax)

(2) TECHNICAL T-SHIRT
€66 (excl. tax)

(3) LADIES SWEATSHIRT
€91 (excl. tax)

(4) GT3 BASEBALL CAP
€28 (excl. tax)

(5) GT3 BABYGROW & SOCKS GIFT SET
€51 (excl. tax)

(6) GT3 SIGG BOTTLE
€40 (excl. tax)

(7) GT3 BACKPACK
€70 (excl. tax)

(8) MOTORSPORT TEDDY BEAR
€46 (excl. tax)

For more information on the Bentley Collection please contact your Bentley Retailer or visit www.BentleyCollection.com
LUXURY PERFORMANCE: BESPOKE SERVICES ESPECIALLY FOR YOU

The Bentley Motorsport Events team are focused on making your race day truly memorable. We take care of every detail, leaving you free to enjoy your time with the team.

From booking your luxurious race day experience to providing support with hotel reservations, flights and transfers, we’re on hand to help.

If you have any questions or require further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Please note additional costs may apply with bespoke services.

BENTLEY GUEST SUPPORT

Fuel consumption and emissions values of Continental GT – WLTP Combined Fuel Consumption: 13.6 l/100km; WLTP Combined CO₂ emissions: 308 g/km.
For any questions you may have, please contact the Bentley Motorsport Events Team via contact@bentleymotorsport.com

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