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## **Porsche Cayman GT4 Trophy Thailand ready to do battle on Bangsaen Street Circuit**

The Porsche Cayman GT4 Trophy Thailand continues this weekend, as part of the Thailand Super Series' annual visit to the iconic Bangsaen Street Circuit.

After tackling the more traditional Sepang and Chang circuits for the opening two race weekends, the 3.7km Bangsaen track provides a different challenge for the five Porsche Cayman GT4 Clubsport runners.

After taking a pair of victories last time out at Buriram, AAS Motorsport's #9 driver, Kmik Karnasuta currently holds at 22-point lead in the standings. The Thailand-based team also continue to run a second Porsche Cayman GT4 Clubsport, for Pasu Liptanlop, who scored a podium last time out.



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Driver of JWD Unixx Racing Team's #2 entry, Charvanin Bunditkitsada, comes into the weekend sitting fourth in the standings. Following a double win in Malaysia, contact with a TA2 car in the weekend's first race at Chang sidelined him for the remainder of the weekend.

Two drivers that capitalised on Bunditkitsada's misfortune, are Morseng Racing Team's #14 driver, Tosaphol Phamyai, and Racing Spirit Thailand's Sontaya Kunplome, one of the driving forces behind organising the Bangsaen Thailand Super Series round, in the #8 entry, both of whom will be looking to carry momentum from the previous round.



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In addition to the Porsche Cayman GT4 Trophy Thailand teams, six other Porsche entries will take part in a number of the Thailand Super Series' other categories.

The GTM Plus class, for GT3 specification cars, sees the B-Quik Racing Team enter a Porsche 911 GT3 R (Type 997) for Henk J. Kiks and Peter Kox, who will be looking to bounce back from a challenging weekend last time out.

B-Quik Racing Team is also present in the GTM class, running a pair of cars. The #11 Porsche 911 GT3 Cup (Type 991) is due to be shared by Jeffrey Chiang and Will Bamber, who will be looking to build on the second-place finish they achieved at Chang. The #72 entry will be driven solo by Alif Hamdan.

Also running Porsche 911 GT3 Cup cars in the GTM category is Unixx – TR Motorsport Racing Team, with the #29 machine for Thomas Raldorf and Franz Engstler. After making their series debut in Buriram, the #15 crew of Tanart and Munkong Sathienthirakul, also return for est Cola PTT Racing Team.

Finally, Australian driver Ian Geekie continues his presence in the GTC class, driving the #18 B-Quik Racing Team Porsche 911 GT3 Cup (Type 997).

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The Porsche Carrera Cup Asia is supporting the Thailand Super Series this weekend, with a number of drivers pulling double duty. Will Bamber, Alif Hamdan and Jeffrey Chiang will all drive an Earl Bamber Motorsport-run Porsche 911 GT3 Cup car, while Sontaya Kunplome (Racing Spirit Thailand) and Tanart Sathienthirakul (est Cola PTT Racing Team) are also part of the 28-strong field.

**Alexandre Gibot, Head of Porsche Motorsport Asia Pacific, said:** “After racing on wide, open tracks like Sepang and Chang, the Bangsaen Street Circuit presents a very

different challenge for the Thailand Super Series teams. The Porsche Cayman GT4 Trophy Thailand is a very exciting championship, that has produced some fantastic racing already, and we're looking forward to seeing its development continue.

"Additionally, it's also excellent to see a number of Porsche entries spread across the GTM Plus, GTM and GTC categories. The quality of the teams and drivers entered is very high, and hopefully the results meet our expectations.

"The Porsche Carrera Cup Asia field is also present this weekend, bringing a very strong field for its third visit to Bangsaen. The Overall and Pro-Am title battles are very close, and I know the drivers are looking forward to putting the new-for-2018 Porsche 911 GT3 Cup car through its paces on this very technical street circuit."

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