

34th GTI Meet at Lake Wörthersee

- World premieres of the Golf GTI Clubsport and the visionary Golf 'GTE Sport' concept car
- European premiere of the Scirocco GTS

Wolfsburg / Reifnitz, 14 May 2015 – This year Volkswagen is topping the previous 33 GTI Meets with the double world premiere of two breathtaking Golf models of tomorrow: the Golf GTI Clubsport and Golf GTE Sport. With the Golf GTE Sport, a concept car with a carbon body, newly conceived cockpit and a 295 kW / 400 PS plug-in hybrid all-wheel drive system, Volkswagen is showing what is achievable when the GT idea gets catapulted into the future. The 195 kW / 265 PS Golf GTI Clubsport, meanwhile, will already go into production next year as an anniversary model for the GTI's 40th birthday.

For more than three decades, the south shore of Lake Wörthersee in Austria has become a Mecca for GTI fans each May. And it has long since become a tradition that Volkswagen brings along some special automotive surprises for the visitors, who can number up to 200,000. In addition to the world premieres, Volkswagen is also showing three further cars at Lake Wörthersee: the new Scirocco GTS and two extraordinary 'Apprentice Golf', very special Golf designs which are traditionally created and built by Volkswagen apprentices.

The Golf GTE Sport transfers the Volkswagen GT tradition into tomorrow's world. A total of three motors – combined in a 295 kW / 400 PS plug-in hybrid drive system – power the high-tech Golf, which is largely made of carbon. The 280 km/h concept car leaves the usual boundaries between road car and racing car behind: its progressive hybrid system combined with high-tech all-wheel drive, the lightweight body, optimum aerodynamic downforce levels, a high-precision chassis, a new motorsport cockpit and an extraordinary seating concept facilitate breathtaking performance on the racetrack. At the press of a button, however, the concept car is equally able to drive up to 50 kilometres by electric motor alone and thus with zero emissions.

With a power output of 195 kW / 265 PS and top performance temporarily increased by around a further 10 per cent thanks to a boost function, the Golf GTI Clubsport is set to take off at the start of 2016 as the most powerful production 'GTI' yet. The anniversary model is being launched not only with an extremely powerful engine, but also with an individualised interior and exclusive bodywork details. By virtue of innovative aerodynamics the Golf GTI Clubsport is moving into professional motorsport territory with its sensational downforce levels.

In summer 2014, an extensively enhanced generation of the iconic Scirocco sports car made its debut. Based on this there now comes the new Scirocco GTS, which Volkswagen is showing for the first time in Europe at Lake Wörthersee. The 162 kW / 220 PS engine of the 'GTS' is among the most popular in the Scirocco range, because it shares the design genes with those of the Golf GTI engine. It propels the Scirocco from 0 to 100 km/h in just 6.5 seconds. Top speed: 246 km/h (DSG: 244 km/h). The 'GTS' will be launching with standard features including new 18-inch alloys and stand-alone bumpers, plus other individualised bodywork details. The coupé can optionally also be ordered with a sporty GTS decal for the vehicle body. The interior too has been extensively individualised.

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