

Int. 52nd Hill Climb Race Osnabrück on 3–4 August 2019: top automobile sports at Uphöfener Berg

The *Int. 52nd Hill Climb Race Osnabrück* on 3–4 August 2019 offers top-level automobile sports and a packed “Cars & Fun” entertainment bill.

The iconic 2.030 km track of Uphöfener Berg at Hilter-Borgloh near Osnabrück hosts the largest and most popular automobile sports event in northern and western Germany, with over 25,000 spectators.

Up to 200 drivers from around 15 countries compete for points in various championships, among them the FIA Int. Hill Climb Cup and the German hill climb championship.

Ticket holders can enjoy a fantastic atmosphere and have access not only to the attractive vantage points along the race track but also to the paddock, where they can see the wide range of cars with their drivers and teams from up close.

Touring car highlights

Magnificent race cars delivering up to 1,200 hp will be taking the start: everything from youngtimer classics (NSU hill climb cup, Fiat Abarth) to powerful touring cars of a multitude of makes, including from well-known international racing series.

One of the high-profile drivers present is Vidar Jørdahl with his blue BMW M3 E30, which produces over 1,000 hp. The Norwegian’s extravagant driving style delighted the crowds last year, and the YouTube video of his run at Uphöfener Berg has been viewed over 2 million times to date.

Another major player is Ronnie Bratschi, reigning FIA Int. Hill Climb Cup touring car champion from Switzerland. In his over 700 hp Mitsubishi Evo VIII EGMO he will again go after the touring car record, which currently stands at 58.620 seconds and has remained untouched for 11 years.

Attacking the absolute track record

Tension will rise even further when the open sports cars and single-seaters and Formula 3000 and Formula 3 cars line up. Get ready for the showdown between two top champions: reigning European and Italian champion Christian Merli, arguably currently the fastest hill climb driver world-wide in his Osella FA 30, and French champion Sébastien Petit, who smashed the track record in his Norma M20 FC last year, clocking a fantastic 50.145 seconds.

Electromobility on the race track

A highlight unique in Europe: the *7th E-mobile Hill Climb Cup*, the *Stadtwerke Osnabrück Grand Prix*, a competition for powerful electric and hybrid vehicles with cutting-edge technology. This year will showcase the fascinating acceleration of the electric cars, in particular. A genuine single-make trophy will be part of the e-mobile cup for the first time: the BMW i3 S Partner Cup powered by BMW Walkenhorst, with drivers from among the Osnabrück hill climb’s partners behind the wheel of ten identical, brandnew BMW i3 S.

“Cars&Fun” for the entire family

Away from the track, the “Cars&Fun” entertainment programme will make the race a truly family-friendly event.

The large e-mobile marquee serves not only as paddock for the electric vehicles, it also offers activities for spectators, especially for children, including childcare.

A number of special guests are looking forward to meeting spectators, among them triple decathlon world champion and Olympic silver medalist Jürgen Hingsen and German TV actor Alexandra Rietz.

One of the spectators' preferred spots is the area by marshal post 5. It offers a fantastic view of the Uphöfener Berg with its particularly challenging sections, and a large LED screen displays live images from along the track.

Timetable

Official practice runs are held on **Saturday 3 August** from 8am to around 6pm.

The race heats take place on **Sunday 4 August** from 8am to around 5pm, followed by the podium ceremony in the large marquee.

Further information

You will find all information on the Int. 52nd Hill Climb Race Osnabrück:

- on the MSC Osnabrück website www.msc-osnabrueck.com
- on Facebook:  <https://www.facebook.com/MSOsnabrueck>
- and in the smartphone apps **bergrennen-os** (German) and **OS-Hillclimb** (international)

Discounted advance tickets are available under www.deinticket.de (day passes, family tickets) and www.msc-osnabrueck.com (VIP tickets).