**Volkswagen out to thrill Aldo home crowd**

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| * VW Motorsport GTC duo Rowe and Mogotsi pulling out all the stops * Daniel Rowe fourth in tight championship top four * Jonathan Mogotsi arrives at team’s home race off a great previous round |

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**Kariega 25 May 2022** – **Volkswagen Motorsport heads to its home race at Gqebehra’s Aldo Scribante racetrack fully intent on giving its local fans something special to shout about in the premier class Global Touring Cars (GTC), this Saturday 28 May.**

Factory drivers Daniel Rowe and Jonathan Mogotsi are itching for their first wins aboard their VW Motorsport Golf 8 GTCs since the team returned to the top class at the start of the 2022 season and where better to do that, than at the team’s spiritual home?

“Volkswagen Motorsport heads to our home VW Extreme Festival races at Aldo Scribante on the front foot,” said Mike Rowe, Head of Volkswagen Motorsport. “We have had to play a bit of catch up since our return to GTC at the beginning of the season and we have some top class opposition this year, but we have been working hard behind the scenes and we look forward to thrilling our home fans this weekend.”

Daniel Rowe sits fourth in a very tight GTC championship top four, just four points off the leader after a solid start to the season: “I am looking forward to Volkswagen’s home race this weekend,” Daniel promised. “We are keen to redo our front row grid lockout as we did in 2020 at Scribante.

“We’ve been on the back foot since Round 1 with some issues. “I’m confident we have sorted that out and hopefully some of our rivals are not so dominant on the straights as they have been and we can have a fair fight. Looking forward to a good weekend to score some good points in front of the VW home crowd to really thrill our faithful supporters with great results at Aldo.”

It’s been a baptism of fire for Volkswagen development sensation Jonathan Mogotsi, who stepped up to GTC from the SupaCup Class at the beginning of the season, but a strong second round with his first GTC podium and a fourth at Zwartkops has his confidence up for his team’s home round: “Aldo Scribante is an all-time favourite of mine and will always be special as it's the home of Volkswagen,” Jonathan admitted.

“I have set high expectations for myself as I've had a couple of victories spanning from Polo Cup to SupaCup. “However, being my first year in a rear wheel drive format and against a tough competition, I can only give my all and give a good show to the fans and spectators.”

Volkswagen Motorsport’s GTC team will race in the action packed Volkswagen Extreme Festival raceday at its Aldo Scribante home track on Saturday 28 May 2022. It promises spectacular entertainment whether that be live trackside, or via live streaming over Volkswagen Motorsport SA’s social media pages. Tickets are available at R90 online at www.showwave.co.za, or from the gate at R100. A maximum of 2000 spectators will be allowed, so booking is recommended.

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