

# NEWSLETTER 2009

# TONY RING REPRESENTING SCUDERIA NEROROSSO

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## I HAD A DREAM!



This season has been something totally different from what we expected and in March we were on the edge to call off the whole operation. Thanks to some really good friends and with more work than ever we anyhow managed to start the season and with some luck we arrived at the half season mark on top of the championship standings.

This is where my dream started, that maybe we should be able to rise and clinch a championship even if the conditions had been the worst during my whole career.

Unfortunately that dream died last weekend at Monza when the engine broke and I could not score any points at all. You can not imagine the frustration and sadness I felt when I had to follow the race from the pits and see my championship dream disappear.

At the moment it feels very empty but I can still save the runner up spot in the championship, so despite the disappointment I still think we will go to Hockenheim and participate in the season finale of DMV Tourenwagen Challenge.

## SUPPORT FROM A LEGEND

During last weekend at Monza I got support from one of my childhood heroes, Arturo Merzario, who raced for Scuderia Ferrari in Formula One 1972 and 1973. Arturo has participated in 85 Formula One races and managed to score a point in his first ever race when he substituted for Clay Reggazoni at Brands Hatch in July 1972.

Despite his successes on the circuits he is maybe mostly remembered as one of three drivers that stopped and helped Niki Lauda after his fiery crash at Nürburgring 1975.



Arturo to the left. As always wearing a nice hat.

## Successful shake down



Last week I did a shake down of the car that we will race in the GT 90's Revival at Paul Ricard in France November 1. It was with a lot of emotions I drove the car I won the Ferrari/Porsche Challenge with in 1999, for the first time since the final race that year.



Compared to the cars we drive today it felt very old fashioned but still very enjoyable.