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**Official Cusco Racing 2017, Motorsports Operations**

“To gather with automobile enthusiasts, and collaborate, delving in motorsports with diversity of cars and events.”

2017 marks the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Carrosser as a firm, and Cusco brand. With motorsports as testing ground, we’ve reached our milestone, by adhering to the concepts of building our own designs, specific to each vehicle application, and all derived from ourselves being passionate about automobiles.

Our company president, Tsutomu Nagase, continues to lead the team of engineers, company staff, and motorsports teams and we are once again ready to announce our season of motorsports activities.

Noteworthy to mention today is our brand-new involvement in the recently formed sanction of international-standard series, “All-Japan Super Rally Series.” In addition to this, we continue to strive in the “FIA Asia-Pacific Rally, All Japan Rally Series, TGR Rally Challenge, All-Japan Dirt Trial,” as well as our road racing efforts in “TGR 86/BRZ Race, Super Taikyu Endurance Series, and All-Japan Gymkhana Championships.” All of these efforts are to deepen our relationship to the industry of racing, aftermarket and racing equipment R&D, and refinements of products to be distributed globally.

In the sports of rallying, we continue to challenge the field in our own original design Toyota Vitz AWD, and have scheduled this to appear in FIA Asia-Pacific Rally rounds, as well as other venues with our designated season drivers, as well as a few guest drivers. We will also partake in the sub-elements of these events in many ways to enhance and support the motorsports experience for enthusiasts grassroots to professional.

On the pavement, the ever-growing popularity of Japan Toyota Gazoo racing 86/BRZ Race will be inclusive of our own brand new 2017 “kouki” Toyota 86. With this, our team will not only seek to win, but to further enhance our cohesive teamwork, and gain powerful knowledge as we have done continually for the 40 years. The “Super Taikyu Endurance Series” will also remain as strong point of our racing program, and will serve to bolster our presence in the top-tier racing program.

Starting this year, we will have a grid spot for the “Mazda Global MX5 CUP: Japan” where we also are involved in the shaping of the series as well. “All Japan Gymkhana Championship” continue today as our premier grassroots program, where we serve the amateur to the top level of in the most diverse competition in Japanese motorsports.

Collectively, we will keep in theme of creating what we need, envision new ideas, and to design and manufacture them with the standards of extreme precision and quality we maintain. We hope to earn the trust of more motorsports enthusiasts with our products.

## 2017 TEAM CUSCO RALLY SERIES:

Cusco Toyota Vitz 4WD, in RC2 Class has been in development for most of 2016, and this year we are trusting the veteran-ace driving skills and engineering expertise of our own R&D member, Yuya Sumiyama, in the “Japan Super Rally.”

“All Japan Rally Championships” will be committed by our proven rally team drivers of Genki Takeuchi in JN6 Class Subaru STI, and Shintaro Meiji in JN2 Class Toyota 86, as well as Citroen DS3-R3-Max and Peugeot 208 R2 in JN5 by Hiroshi Yanagisawa and Suguru Kawana. Adding to these, also are various guest drivers for the open C-0 Class Toyota Aqua in divisional TGR-East. Michael Young will also be the lead driver for our international “FIA Asia-Pacific Rally” with Sanjay Takale, touring the Asian and Oceania rounds outside of Japan.

### CUSCO RACING (RALLY)

#### All Japan Rally Championships / Super Rally

RC2	Yuya Sumiyama / Takahiro Yasui	Cusco Vitz 4WD (JSR Series)
JN6	Genki Takeuchi / Naoki Kase	Subaru WRX STI (VAB)
JN5	Hiroshi Yanagisawa / Yoshimasa Nakahara	Peugeot 208 RS (Rd 5,6)
JN5	Suguru Kawana / Takahiro Yasui	Citroen DS3 R3 Max (Rd 6,7 Peugeot)
JN2	Shintaro Meiji / Minoru Kitada	Toyota 86
C-0	TBD	Toyota Aqua, TGR East

#### International FIA Asia-Pacific Rally

Michael Young
Sanjay Takale

### CUSCO RACING (ROAD RACING)

#### Toyota Gazoo Racing Series

Professional Class	Eiji Yamada	2017 Toyota 86 “Kouki”
Clubman Class	Masafumi Hishii	2017 Toyota 86 “Kouki”

#### Super Taikyu Endurance Series

ST4 Class	TBD	Toyota 86 “Kouki”
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#### All-Japan Gymkhana Championships

PN3	Kiyoshi Tenma	Mazda Roadster RF2000
SA4	Masafumi Hishii	Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution X

#### All Japan Dirt Trial Championship

SA4	Shinsuke Arai	Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution X
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## FIA Asia Pacific Rally (APRC)

Round	Date	Event
New Zealand	4/28~30	APRC Pacific Cup/ Junior Cup
Australia	5/26~28	APRC Pacific Cup/ Junior Cup
China	7/7~9	APRC Pacific Cup
Malaysia	8/11~13	APRC Pacific Cup/ Junior Cup
Japan	9/15~17	APRC Pacific Cup/ Junior Cup
India	11/14~26	APRC Pacific Cup

## JAPAN SUPER RALLY (JSR)

Round	Date	Event
Tsumagoi Rally, Gumma	2/2~5	Snow / Tarmac
Monterey Rally, Gumma	6/8~11	Tarmac
Rally Hokkaido, Hikkaido	9/15~17	Gravel

## JAF ALL JAPAN RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP (JRC)

Round	Date	Event
Rally Tsumagoi, Gumma	2/2~5	Snow / Tarmac
Tour de Kyushu	4/7~10	Tarmac
Kumakogen Rally, Shikoku	4/28~30	Tarmac
Wakasa Rally, Fukui	5/19~21	Tarmac
Monterey Rally, Gumma	6/8~11	Tarmac
ARK Rally of Toya, Hokkaido	6/30~7/2	Gravel
Rally Hokkaido, Hokkaido	9/15~17	Gravel
Highland Masters, Gifu	10/13~15	Tarmac
Shinshiro Rally, Gifu	11/3~5	Tarmac

## TOYOTA GAZOO RACING 86/BRZ RACE SERIES

Round	Location	Date	Location
4/1~2	Twin Ring Motegi	9/1~2	Fuji Speedway
5/7~8	Autopolis	9/30~10/1	Sportsland Sugo
6/3~4	Fuji Speedway	10/21~22	Suzuka Circuit
7/1~2	Okayama International	TBA	TBA
7/29~30	Tokachi Speedway		

## JAF ALL-JAPAN GYMKHANA (JGC)

Date	Location	Date	Location
3/25~26	Twin Ring Motegi	7/15~16	Mikawa Sportsland
4/22~23	Ebisu Circuit	8/20	Sports Land Tamada
5/20~21	Meishin Sports Land	9/9~10	Speed Park Koi No Ura
6/17~18	Auto Sports Sunagawa	9/30~10/1	Suzuka Circuit

## JAF All Japan Dirt Trial (JDC)

Date	Location	Date	Location
3/18~19	Maruwa Auto Land	7/8~9	Motorland Nozawa
4/15~16	Speed Park Koi no Ura	7/29~30	Monzen Motorsports Park
5/6~7	Circuit Park Kiriyana	9/2~3	Auto Park Imajyo
9/3~4	Auto Sportsland Sunagawa	10/7~8	Technique Stage Takata

## MAZDA GLOBAL MX-5 CUP JAPAN

Date	Location	Date	Location
4/9	Sportsland Sugo	7/2	Okayama International
5/7	Suzuka Circuit	9/24	Fuji Speedway
6/18	Twin Ring Motegi		

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