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Official Cusco Racing 2016 Schedule

"Concentrating on catering to pure automotive and motorsports enthusiasts, we strive to race and rally with variety of platforms this season."

This year 2016, we are focusing on our root reason for the company's existence, the origins of how we came to be and seek further along the concept of automotive enthusiasm. We take pride in our craftsmanship, and we've decided on our key concept of "Takumi" a Japanese word which translates to "master crafting through unrivaled passion, order, and respect rooted in tradition." To this we adamantly adhere to in-house development by our skilled engineers and designers, and continue our focus on proving our products through motorsports.

Primarily, Cusco Racing will be spending full time effort as in-house racing operations in 2016, with APRC- FIA Asia Pacific Rally, as well as equivalent Japanese series, JRC – All Japan Rally. To add to these main operations, we will also be involved in collaborative efforts into, Japan Super Taikyu Endurance Racing, TGR 86/BRZ Racing, All-Japan Dirt Trial, All-Japan Gymkhana, TRG Rally, and more series to be announced as 2016 season rolls forth.

For the APRC involvement, Michael Young will return as our premier driver to take on the Asian competition. In our all-new Cusco-built vehicle based on Toyota Vitz in AP4 Class hoping to clinch trophies, we will trust our in-house pro-driver/engineer Yuya Sumiyama.

All-new for this season will be our collaboration with Peugeot-Citroen Japan, with assistance of Peugeot Sport France, we have prepared a JN5 Class Peugeot 208 R2 for All Japan Rally. Consistent with our previous season, we will also be entering our minor entry, under Cusco Junior Rally Team, an operation designed to seek young new talent in Japanese motorsports with our in-house Toyota 86.

For the grand road racing stage of Super Taikyu, Japanese endurance series, our ST4 Class Toyota 86 will grid with a dozen other Toyota 86's from top Japanese field to bring you an exciting series this season.

Tied to this series also is the one-make racing of Gazoo Racing 86/BRZ racing series, where will be entering cars in both Professional Class and Clubman Open Entry classes.

As a project for learning, and in the spirit of the "takumi" we have also enlisted an all-female team entering a Toyota Aqua in the TGR Rally Challenge as well, which will be unprecedented and exciting for the sport, giving a new trend to a traditionally male predominant series.

With all of the above efforts well under way, we hope to provide our fans with a variety of racing entertainment, as well as ourselves to gain vast amount of further knowledge to progress our manufacturing designs and technologies. We strive always for the mutual passion, and to chase dreams as enthusiasts alike.

We look forward to enjoying the 2016 motorsports season with all of you at Cusco Racing.

Cusco Racing Team, Carrosser Japan, Cusco International

APRC - FIA ASIA PACIFIC RALLY

Re-introducing our in-house Racing Development Engineer and Pro-Driver, Yuya Sumiyama, our efforts will greatly be put against the AP4 Class entry of Toyota Vitz, developed at Cusco Racing Japan. This vehicle will showcase and compete with turbocharged 1600cc inline 4 cylinder engine, coupled with Cusco internally developed AWD system kit, with full intent to make the racing devices available to our customers.

Also our primary team will include our customer-team operation lead by driver Michael Young, and promising driver, Sanjay Takale from India, in our pair of Cusco livery Subaru STI (GRB platform) with intensive Cusco Racing support.

APRC – FIA Asia Pacific Rally Championship

Driver: Michael Young (New Zealand)
Driver: Sanjay Takale (India)

Subaru WRX STI
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APRC – FIA Asia Pacific Rally Championship - Asia Cup

Driver: Yuya Sumiyama (Japan) / Co-Driver: Takahiro Yasui Toyota Cusco Vitz



JRC – ALL-JAPAN RALLY

The All-Japan Rally Series will encompass a myriad of our product development, in a largest variety of platforms of automobiles we will have in competition.

Peugeot-Citroen Japan with operation arm, Sanc-Racing will enter the all-new Peugeot 208 R2 in JN5 Class, with full backing of Cusco Racing. This is a inaugural season for our collaboration with Peugeot-Citroen/ Peugeot Sport and we hope to have a successful racing season in our newly developed machine.

Partnering along in the JN5 Class will be our own Cusco staff/crew-operated team entry with a Peugeot 208 GTI, taking turns throughout the season as training program.

Of course, not the least of popularity will be our Cusco Junior Rally Team, operating as a fully backed satellite team with Suzuki Alto Works, and attention-rich Toyota 86.

Cusco Racing

JN5	(alternating with following during season)	
	Muta Shuhei / Naoki Kase	Peugeot 208 GTI
	Tetsuya Yoshizawa / Tatsuya Idegami	Peugeot 208 GTI
JN5	Yuya Sumiyama / Takahiro Yasui	Citroen DS3 R3
JN6	Genki Takeuchi / Takahiro Yasui	Subaru WRX STI

Sanc Racing

JN5	Hiroshi Yanagisawa / Yoshimasa Nakahara	Peugeot 208 R2
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Cusco Junior Rally Team

JN1	Akira Banba / (TBA)	Suzuki Alto Works
JN2	Meiji Shintaro / Minoru Kitada	Toyota 86



Super Taikyu – All Japan Production-Based Endurance Racing

ST4 Toyota 86
 Driver: Eiji Yamada / TBA / TBA
 Engineer: Hiroshi Ogikubo Engineering
 Racing Crew: Cusco Racing Team



Toyota Gazoo Racing – 86/BRZ One Make Road Racing Series

Professional Class	Eiji Yamada	Toyota 86
Clubman Open Class	Masafumi Ishii	Toyota 86

JGC- All - Japan Gymkhana Series

PN3	Kiyoshi Tenma	Peugeot 208 GTi
N3	Masafumi Ishii	Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution 10

JDC – All-Japan Dirt Trial

SA2	Shinsuke Arai	Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution 10
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Toyota Gazoo Racing – Rally Challenge Stages

* A new theme-based entry with all female crew, featuring Cusco Campaign Girls training to become proficient in motorsport driving and crew staffing.

C-0 Class Driver/Co-Driver selected from Cusco Racing and Cusco JRT Campaign Girls in Cusco Prepared Toyota Aqua.

