**Huff wins FIA WTCC World Championship, Michelisz YOKOHAMA Trophy**

Smiles galore at team Chevrolet in the last race of the season recently held in Macau. Rob Huff, the British driver was able to win the FIA World Touring Car Championship after a dramatic end to the season which saw an intense duel between him and Yvan Muller and Alain Menu. The latter managed a final series of impressive races that catapulted him to an overall second position in the final standings.

Defending Champion Muller, could not get the better of Huff, who on this occasion was able to finally raise his long awaited Championship’s trophy in front of a packed grandstand and well wishers at the Guia Circuit in Macau.

The dominant Chevrolet team, leave behind an impressive legacy into the WTCC history with convincing dominance over the past three years.

Meanwhile, Hungarian talent Norbert Michelisz, managed to win the YOKOHAMA trophy which rewards the ‘privateers’, after a very solid season-with five race wins. With convincing performances throughout 2012, even though he did not manage to finish the Macau race, he had enough points to see him through to victory closely followed by the spaniard, Pepe Oriola and italian Stefano D’Aste whom this year brought great excitement to the FIA championship.

Commenting on the end of the season, David Oliva, YOKOHAMA Project Manager - Marketing Communications and Motorsports, stated the 2012 edition had been a thrilling one from beginning to end. ‘From Monza till Macau, the World Touring Car Championship is always a nail-biting experience for drivers, teams, spectators and fans alike. We are very pleased with the excellent performance of our tyres and would like to congratulate the Champion Rob Huff on his superb competition and indeed also Norbert Michelisz who has shown true consistency in his driving and is a worthy winner of the YOKOHAMA trophy.’

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Irish Touring Car Championship (ITCC) – new for 2012  
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