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Something's in the air in Eger

How can pneumatics get you to the VOLT Festival?

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First stop for Pneumobile TV on Tour

Teams with names like Gyalogkakukk, Lezs-Air, Puffogók, Széllovagok and Ladybugs are among the 36 lining up for the fourth Pneumobile Competition, being held on 6-7 May 2011. The event also has a special feature: prizes for supporters as well as competitors. And of course the Eger Weekend in May is a reward in itself.

This is the fourth time that Bosch Rexroth Pneumatika Kft. of Eger and Bosch Rexroth Kft. of Budapest have announced this competition for university and college students. The job of the competitors sounds simple enough: to design and build a vehicle driven by compressed air.

The chief organiser of the competition, Endre Tamás, told us, “Rexroth provides entrants with the pneumatic controller and drive components, which the students choose from a catalogue themselves, within some constraints. These are not quick DIY jobs. The university teams take more than six months to prepare for the contest under the guidance of team-leader lecturers, and enthusiastic groups of supporters form up around them.”

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The air-driven cars will once again be put through their paces in different events: the longest running distance, all-round capabilities and acceleration. The judges' prime criteria will be technical innovation and standard of construction.

"The corporate philosophy of Bosch Rexroth Drive & Control has proved to guarantee the fulfilment of talent and engineering creativity. It is interesting how widely a good corporate slogan can be applied, and how deeply it imbues the thinking and activities of enterprising students. The students in the competition are true 'Drivers'. Despite their age, or maybe because of it, these engineering students have a sort of "hunger" for their task, and a flexibility of mind that carries along the people round about them. That includes our customers, who are also prompted to action and new ideas by this innovative attitude. This way, we are always looking for new, more efficient, more energy-saving solutions," said István Ács, General Manager of Bosch Rexroth Kft.

All for one, one for all – supporters' contest

As at any competition, supporters have a key part to play at Pneumobile. In the last few days, the Pneumobile TV mini-crew set out on a national tour to drum up support, making interviews with teams and inviting as many supporters to the Eger competition. The crew is worth looking for around engineering departments. They are giving out leaflets inviting anybody who would like to win a ticket to the VOLT Festival. Supporters can also vote for interviews posted on the Facebook Pneumobile page: all they have to do is "Like" the team they think has the best chance of success. On the day of the competition in Eger, 20 VOLT tickets, 10 valuable Eger wine packs and, as first prize, two Eger wellness weekends will be given to the winners.

Further information: www.pneumobil.hu or www.facebook.com/Pneumobil

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