

DTM STAR SUSIE PITS IN DETMOLD



● DTM driver - Susie Stoddart



● The "cool" street name

STUNNING DTM driver Susie Stoddart set pulses racing when she paid a flying visit to Detmold recently.

The 25-year-old, who drives a Mercedes-Benz in the German touring car series, made a pit stop in support of the make's new dealership in town.

Susie said she has been training hard in preparation for the start of the new DTM season in April.

"Unlike in Formula 1, you have a roof over your head and temperatures in the cockpit can reach 60°C, so you have to be fit," she said.

"I hope to score my first points this season - I've come close twice. If it happens, I will hold a little party for my team."

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The Scot was impressed to be told that a street in the town shares her name, Stoddartstraße, calling the coincidence "cool".

Susie, who lives in Switzerland, added: "We all work hard in DTM, which is the second most important motor sport championship in the world, and you have to work hard to gain respect. As a female driver I do not get any special treatment and I wouldn't want it any other way."

The next DTM season starts on April 13 at the Hockenheimring. For more information, log on to www.susiestoddart.com or www.dtm.com