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AS WE COME TO THE END OF TERM, I AM PLEASED TO REPORT that we have started manufacturing a number of critical components and we are on schedule to achieve our targets for January deadlines.

Our gratitude goes to our sponsors, the steering committee and technical staff who have continued to give us support in this endeavour. In the spirit of the season I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Walter Miseleni, Project Leader



Development continues

NO SOONER THAN THE concept definition phase of the project has been passed the team are working quickly to achieving further development deadlines. With the final chassis design being finalised work is well underway with manufacture of the new space frame. With suspension details finalised and many other designs close to approval the team is hopeful to meet our rolling chassis deadlines to allow maximum time for testing in early 2007.

The power train and electronics teams continue to provide exceptional support to chassis build, whilst also purchasing our new Triumph Daytona engine and finalising designs and making critical component decisions.

Denso Visit

MEMBERS OF THE WFS TEAM were grateful to Denso after they gave a guided tour of their local site in Coventry. The team were excited to see several dyno rooms, rolling roads, and other facilities being used in industrial applications.

The team would like to thank Denso for their valued support to the Warwick Formula Student project and for allowing us to visit their facilities.

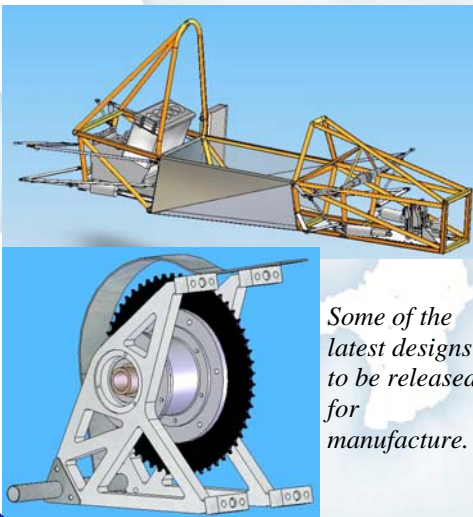


Team test last years car

AT THE START OF NOVEMBER THE team took last year's car to Bruntingthorpe proving grounds to test the handling and dynamics of last years vehicle. Despite cold temperatures and a slippery track the team had a valuable experience of feeling the exceptional power of the car.

The lessons learned have been passed down to our new designs to ensure our car can be even more successful. We were also able to gain an early indication of our drivers with natural talent, helping us to streamline the driver selection process early.

Bruntingthorpe has previously hosted the Formula Student competition, however this year it will move to Silverstone.



Some of the latest designs to be released for manufacture.

WFS battle it out on the karting track

THIS MONTH THE TEAM VISITED an excellent karting track as another method of identifying the fastest drivers. After a 30minute race on a 1.3km circuit the closely fought victory was handed to David Dickerson, whilst Ben Bonham came second only 1.68 seconds behind. Completing the podium finishers was Neil Caughey who managed to keep up the pace despite suffering from flu.



Sponsorship!

Warwick Formula Student is funded purely on student sourced sponsorship. If you would like to become part of this prestigious project then please contact Adam Falgate (a.falgate@warwick.ac.uk). Alternatively **raffle tickets are also available**, giving you the chance of winning a Silverstone track session, an off road driving experience or your name on this year's car.

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