

Press Release

SJM Iron Lynx Theodore Racing Team leads scoreboard after third round to enter the final stages of Asia Championship

Backing local drivers as they chase the wind and pursue their dream

(Macau, 31 July 2024) SJM Resorts, S.A. (“SJM”) is a staunch supporter of Macau’s multifaceted development, championing a diverse array of sporting events in Macau to reinforce its reputation as a “City of Sports.” In 2024, SJM joins hands with its long-term partner Theodore Racing Team to nurture local racing talent by sponsoring SJM Iron Lynx Theodore Racing Team’s participation in international competitions, securing a distinguished place for Macau in the international motorsport arena.

Macau Driver Excel Abroad: Within Striking Distance of Crown

Under the auspices of SJM, the formidable SJM Iron Lynx Theodore Racing Team has entered the Lamborghini Super Trofeo Asia series since May this year. The lineup includes Macau’s renowned driver Charles Leong Hon Chio alongside his teammate Miki Koyama. Their stellar performance in the series includes earning double second places in Malaysia and securing third and fourth positions in Australia. On 20 and 21 July, they competed at the Korea Inje Speedium International Circuit, securing second and third places, which marked their sixth podium finish of the season. Additionally, they set the fastest lap in the event’s opening round, catapulting them to the top of the championship (PRO Class) leaderboard. Over the next four months, the team will continue to compete in the final three rounds in Japan’s Fuji Mountain, China’s Shanghai, and Spain’s Jerez, aiming for the championship title.

SJM-Backed Young Talent Making a Mark on the International Racing Scene

Theodore Racing Team, established by Mr. Teddy Yip Senior, a founder of SJM’s parent company, stands as the most successful racing team in Macau’s history. Since 2013, under the helm of Teddy Yip Junior, with SJM becoming the team’s long-term sponsor, the team has excelled in the Macau Grand Prix, securing two Formula Three championships and one runner-up position, with Macau’s top driver Charles Leong consistently placing in the top three for three consecutive years.

With the support of SJM, the team and Charles Leong are living up to high expectations with standout performances at the globally renowned one-make series- the Lamborghini Super Trofeo Asia Championship. Furthermore, it was recently announced that Charles Leong was named one of the 28 drivers selected for the prestigious 2024 Lamborghini Young Driver Program, making him one of only two Asian drivers chosen. Over the next year, he will undergo a series of technical and professional training, reviews, and assessments by the manufacturer. The top performers in this one-year program will receive support from the Lamborghini Squadra Corse for the 2025 season and compete in next year’s GT3 races.

Ms. Daisy Ho, Managing Director of SJM, stated: “Building on Macau’s profound experience in hosting the Macau Grand Prix, SJM aims to further deepen the city’s motorsport development in all verticals. We aim to drive high-quality advancements in the industry, including fostering a robust motorsport culture within the community, nurturing local racing talent, and supporting our team in international competitions. We strive to solidify Macau’s reputation as a motorsport destination, creating compelling reasons for both domestic and international tourists to visit, and to expand our international market through the synergistic benefits of ‘Sports + Tourism’. We wish the SJM Iron Lynx Theodore Racing Team continued success in the championship and hope that Macau motorsport will continue to shine ever more brightly on the international stage.”

Teddy Yip Junior, CEO of Theodore Racing Team, said, “With SJM’s support, our team can focus all efforts on this important international series. It’s particularly gratifying that our jointly nurtured young Macau driver can showcase his talents on this world stage, emerging as a new star in motorsport and bringing glory to Macau. We look forward to even more outstanding performances in the upcoming races.”

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SJM’s Iron Lynx Theodore Racing Team competes in the Lamborghini Super Trofeo Asia series, striving for glory for Macau.



Macau racer Charles Leong and teammate Miki Koyama taking the podium in all stops.



Macau racing talent Charles Leong selected for the Lamborghini 2024 Young Driver Program.



With three races remaining in this season's Lamborghini Asian Championship, SJM's Iron Lynx Theodore Racing Team is within striking distance of the crown.