

2009 MAMMUT ÜÜÜÜH!



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Over the years we've had the opportunity to travel across North America and Europe for various car audio events and competitions. It's amazing to see enthusiasts worldwide still share a common interest and passion for car audio competition. The little town of Limeshain Hainchen, Germany (population of 1,340) may seem small and unassuming, however each July it just explodes, as it plays host to the Mammut Üüüüh!

The event is the brainchild of good friend Michael Müller or as people like to refer to him; "The Big Oki." Oki, a car audio veteran of almost two decades has been organizing this event since 2003. This is something Oki does for his friends and fellow competitors which grows in attendance every year. It's safe to say this is one of the largest events in car audio we've attended. With 460 trophies, five sanctioning organizations, 504 registered competitors and all of this in a single day event!

This year's presenting sponsor was ACR.eu who has been a supporter of the Mammut Üüüüh! for many years. Along with ACR.eu it was an all-star list of competition vehicles, booths, banners and supporters including Audio Design/Hifonics, SPL Dynamics/Dietz, AIV/Rainbow, Digital Designs, Cactus Sounds, Magnat, JBL/Harman Germany, Zapco Exclusive and Team GCL.

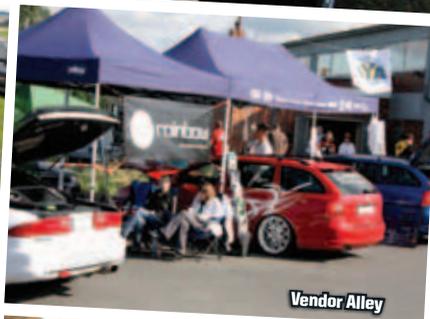
Cactus Sounds were full effect with at least a dozen vehicles. Spearheaded by Cactus himself and his newly released Super Street 1-2 SEAT



Battle of the FIATS



DD in the House



Vendor Alley



Superstany with his Extreme OPEL wagon



The man himself the Big Oki



Detlef and Gerri



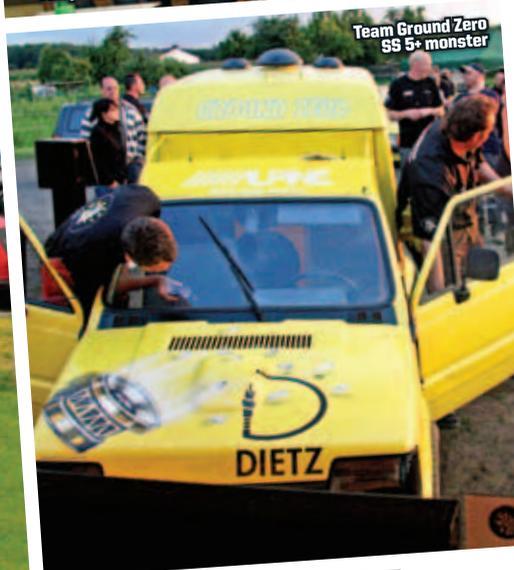
Stefan Meyer from JBL with Team Pütenstall



The two loudest SS1-2 competitors in the world Cactus and TVE



AYA Sound Quality competitors



Team Ground Zero SS 5+ monster



SPL Classics Lanes



Team Golden Sound repping their Hifonics MAXXIMUS

Terra that set a new world record with a score of 166.3db. Be on the lookout for this behemoth come world finals as he has plenty more in store.

Extreme class veteran Superstany and his OPEL wagon traveled from Belgium. He easily won loudest of the day with a monstrous 174.3db. Speaking of distance it was a narrow race between Henning Poulsen who traveled 960km (596 miles) and Jan Falk with 850km (528 miles) each way, now that's dedication. Competitors came from as far away as the Netherlands, Austria, Belgium, Italy, France, Denmark and Switzerland for a truly international event.

A personal highlight had to be our first-hand demo of Oki's VW Touran (renamed Turann). Oki is known the world over for his impressive builds, but this tops them all. This build has earned him numerous championships and records, but for Oki it's all about pleasing spectators. His VW crossover is loaded to the hilt with a ton of the finest gear. Oki worked with ACR.eu to put together one of the most fully functional demo vehicles that not only wins in the lanes but simply blows people away. The vehicle houses an octet of Emphaser NEO COMP 15s powered by a total of four Zapco 4KWs. He also has a fifth one running his front stage handled by Radical Audio and Adrian Audio. We had a chance to use the ZENEC all-in-one multimedia head-unit from ACR.eu during the demo and this bad boy sure rocks. We've had our share of demos in many of the loudest vehicles on the planet and this was right up there musically speaking.

With an event this size, an officiating staff of mega proportions was required and handled by Germany's own Detlef Hagel, Gerri Douven, Ralf Keppelen, Michael Bösche and Peter Gerdes. They made sure everything ran smoothly in and out of the lanes. Not an easy task considering the sheer amount of competitors and various competition formats.

Speaking of competition formats, as mentioned earlier there was a total of 5 organizations. There was dB Drag, Bass Race, dB Cup, SPL Classics, AYA Sound Quality and between them a total of 504 competition participants. The event also saw well above the small town's posted population in spectators alone, with roughly 2,000 fans in attendance. Enthusiasts were treated to top notch cuisine too, with Oki's mother Renate Müller running a smooth operation in the kitchen and former US Military vet Johnny from Johnny's BBQ grilling for the masses.

This is by far one of the largest single day events we've ever attended. Besides the sheer number of participants and spectators, what really set this event apart is the support and dedication of the officiating staff and the competitors who persevered through over 17 straight hours of competition that day. Yes you read correct; the day started at 8am and ran till nearly 1:30am when the last of the 1 1/2 ton in trophies were given out.

If you're ever in Europe or consider yourself a dedicated competitor, this is the place to be. Do whatever you need to do; just don't miss your opportunity to attend the Mammut Üüüüh in 2010. For more photos and info visit www.termpro.com, www.termpro.de and of course www.pasmag.com **PAS**