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VAN GISBERGEN UNVEILS NEW SP TOOLS LIVRY

Stone Brothers Racing's Shane van Gisbergen today rolled out a new livery with a twist at the 2011 V8 Supercars first test for the season at Sydney's Eastern Creek Raceway on January 29.

The livery will appear in action for the first time when the #9 SP Tools Racing Falcon hits the track in Abu Dhabi in a fortnight's time.

And as Shane said on Saturday; "if you think this car looks good now, wait until you see it in Abu Dhabi."

Managing Director of SP Tools Kevin Davis said the new livery also alluded to an exciting announcement by the tool giant in the coming months.

"The new look and logo comes from a new product line that we'll be revealing at Clipsal this year," Davis said.

"Our market has always been at the younger end of the spectrum and we feel that this new design will appeal to that demographic. Also having a young gun like Shane on board helps us reach that market because they can relate to him," he added.

Sporting a racier new look, the #9 SP Tools Racing Falcon will be pushed even harder this year with van Gisbergen chasing his maiden win in the V8 Supercar championship.

"Nailing that first win is definitely our number one goal this year," van Gisbergen said.

"We came close last year a few times but we just didn't have everything lined up when it mattered.

Everyone has worked really hard over the off season to make sure we roll out in Abu Dhabi fully competitive, because as we found last year just a few bad rounds will ruin your chances come the end of the year so a strong start is paramount."

Over the holiday break, van Gisbergen drove everything from quad-bikes, dirt-bikes, a speedway production car and even an 'old bomb' up New Zealand's steepest hill!

"Yeah I had a great break," van Gisbergen joked. "I kept my eye in with a few different cars but today couldn't come fast enough. Hopefully we'll pick up with the speed we left off with - I've got a good feeling about this year," he said.



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