

# GRAN PREMIO NUVOLARI, 31st EDITION THE SECOND STAGE BEGINS!

The race dedicated to the "Great Nivola" is really getting going: a renewed route through the enchanting landscapes of central Italy

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The first stage of **the 31**<sup>st</sup> **edition of the Gran Premio Nuvolari** - the most technical race for historic cars in Italy, which brings every year in Mantua a multitude of classic enthusiasts that come to celebrate the myth of the great "Nivola", a legendary sportsman, who more than anyone else has marked the motoring history of the twentieth century- ended yesterday evening in Cesenatico.

After the ritual departure from the splendid setting offered by Piazza Sordello in Mantua, the time trials at the Modena Autodrome and the evocative landscapes of the Romagna hills, today the Gran Premio Nuvolari gets underway. The second stage, in what represents the most intense day of the race, follows a renewed route: in fact, the crews will leave from Rimini towards Urbino, to continue then towards the Bocca Serriola pass, Città di Castello, up to Magione, to the Autodromo dell'Umbria the house of petrolhead in central Italy and along the Trasimeno Lake, allowing themselves a break in the prestigious Golf Club Lamborghini of Panicale. This will be followed by stamp controls in Castiglione del Lago, Cortona and Piazza Grande, in the heart of Arezzo.

The provisional ranking at the moment sees in the lead: first **Moceri e Pizzuto (n.99),** driving a Fiat 508 C from 1939. In second place the Turelli duo, ranked third Patron and Clark, followed by Fontanella e Covelli, and in fifth position the couple Bellini and Tiberti (n.85).

In the afternoon, the crews will travel the roads of the Viamaggio towards the Adriatic. **The Republic of San Marino** will welcome the caravan with the last group of time trials of the day. The stamp control will be held in Piazza della Libertà, at the apex of Mount Titano. In the late afternoon, the arrival in Rimini, along the iconic catwalk of Piazza Tre Martiri. The **Gala evening** will take place in the wonderful setting of the **Grand Hotel in Rimini** \*\*\*\*\*, an incomparable location with Fellini's allure.

Tomorrow, **Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup>**, the crews will head **back to Mantua**. This will mark the start of the most decisive leg to decree the winners, who will have to juggle the last and insidious challenges. The time trials of Meldola will open the last stage of the Gran Premio Nuvolari, followed by the



passage of the **Formula 1 Scuderia Alpha Tauri of Faenza**. After the spectacular transit through **Piazza Ariostea in Ferrara**, the crews will return to the Mantua area. The stamp controls of Bondeno, Poggio Rusco, San Giacomo, Bondanello and lunch in the **magnificent abbey of San Benedetto Po** will close the competition. After 1,100 km, Piazza Sordello in Mantua will once again embrace the competitors for the farewell parade.

In the year that marks the return to conviviality and sociability, the Gran Premio represents a unique opportunity to get a close look at these iconic **vintage cars that have made the history of world motoring**. The myth of the "Great Tazio" is always strong and present, thanks to the numerous fans who revive it year after year on occasion of the Gran Premio Nuvolari: tons of emotions are shared along an extraordinary journey on board of real masterpieces of history, mechanics and design.

Organized by the Scuderia Mantova Corse, that in 2021 celebrates 40 years of passionate and tireless activity, the regularity event is reserved for vintage cars of historical interest built until 1976, in accordance with the F.I.A, F.I.V.A., ACI Sport and ACI Storico regulations.

The event in honor of the "Great Tazio" will enjoy the patronages of the Lombardy Region, the Province of Mantua, the Municipalities of Mantua, Cesenatico, Rimini, Urbino, Arezzo, Cortona, Ferrara, San Benedetto Po and the Republic of San Marino.

The Gran Premio Nuvolari is traditionally organized with the contribution of prestigious sponsors: the "Main Partner" **Red Bull**, Austrian world leader in the field of energy drinks, the "Official Timekeeper Partner" **TAG Heuer**, famous Franco-Swiss watchmaking house since 1860, and the "Technical Partner" **Group Finservice**, important Italian company in the subsidized finance sector.

Another news is worth mentioning: also this year Mantova Corse is committed to the "**GPN Green**" initiative, as a demonstration of sensitivity to environmental protection and sustainability.

## Provisional ranking updated after the first day - 17th September

1	Moceri - Pizzuto	n.99	FIAT 508 C	1939
2	Turelli - Turelli	n.63	FIAT 508 S Sport Coppa Oro	1934
3	Patron - Clark	n.47	FIAT 514 MM	1931
4	Fontanella – Covelli	n.21	LANCIA LAMBDA Spider	1927
5	Bellini - Tiberti	n.85	FIAT 508 C	1937
6	Vesco - Bacci	n.96	BMW 328	1939
7	Belometti -Vavassori	n.33	LANCIA LAMBDA Spider Casaro	1929



8	Sala - Cioffi	n.84	LANCIA APRILIA	1937
9	Riboldi - Riboldi	n. 55	FIAT 508 S	1933
10	Passanante - Moretti	n.2	FIAT 508 C	1937

## The details of the 31st edition

Participants: 267 confirmed crews, from all over the world.

Admitted cars: all cars manufactured until 1976.

**Route:** this thirty-first edition proposes a route of about **1,100 km** among the central-northern Italian beauties, crossing the suggestive landscapes of Lombardy, Emilia Romagna, Marche, Umbria and Tuscany.

**Special Crews**: Tazio Nuvolari's legendary car will symbolically take part in the event with the number **1** aboard the **1930 Alfa Romeo 6C 1750 Gran Sport**, the glorious car with which the "Flying Mantuan" won the Mille Miglia 91 years ago.

The event in honor of Nuvolari is the third appointment of the Italian "Grandi Eventi" Championship by ACI Sport, which also includes the Coppa Milano Sanremo, the Coppa d'Oro delle Dolomiti and the Targa Florio Classica.

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