

32nd GRAN PREMIO NUVOLARI – PREMIO MANTOVA 2022

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The second stage kicks off: the race honoring the "Great Nivola" among the striking landscapes of central Italy gets full speed

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The first day of the **32nd edition of the Gran Premio Nuvolari**, Italy's most technical international regularity event for historic cars, ended last night in Cesenatico. Until **tomorrow**, **September 18**, the race brings together the elite of **classic enthusiasts** together with cars of timeless charm among the evocative landscapes of central-northern Italy **to celebrate the legendary Tazio Nuvolari**, who more than any other has marked the history of 20th-century motoring.

In the year in which we honor the **130th anniversary of the birth of the "Flying Mantuan"**, an important anniversary celebrated with enthusiasm thanks to the organizational efforts of Mantova Corse, the event, now in its second day of competition, enters into full swing. In fact, after **the "Premio Mantova 2022 - Nuvolari 130 Anni," a 7.5-kilometer night prologue** that on the evening of Thursday, September 15, enlivened the streets of Mantua's historic center and **a first day full of excitement**-from the ritual start in the **iconic setting of Piazza Sordello** passing through the time trials at **the Modena Autodrome and the Autodrome of Imola**, a cult of motorsport, to the splendid scenery of the hills of Romagna- **today the 312 crews are engaged in the second stage of the route**, ready to consolidate the results obtained.

The gentlemen drivers head for the breathtaking scenery offered by Central Italy, driving along a brand-new track, braving adverse weather conditions: from Rimini to Florence, via the Passo dei Mandrioli, from Stia, to the Passo della Consuma, then the Chianti area and the break at Borgo Scopeto.

The provisional ranking at 9:45 a.m. sees in the lead: **Di Pietra - Di Pietra (No. 8)**, driving a 1938 Fiat 508C. Second place is followed by the **Vesco - Vesco pair (No. 99)**, third is the No. **94 crew of Barcella -Ghidotti**.

In the afternoon, the crews will travel the Arezzo roads with stamp controls in Montevarchi and Pieve Santo Stefano, towards the Viamaggio Pass.

San Marino will welcome GP Nuvolari with the last group of time trials of the day and the stamp control in Piazza della Libertà, in front of the Government Palace of the oldest Republic in the world. Then the **return to Rimini**, on the promenade of Piazza Tre Martiri, followed by the traditional **Gala Dinner in honor of Tazio Nuvolari**, which will close the evening, within the marvelous Fellini setting of the Grand Hotel di Rimini.

On Sunday, September 18, the third and final stage for the crews will return to Mantua. The route will reserve them the last challenges, the decisive ones to decree the winner. Starting from Rimini, they will face the dreaded time trials in Meldola, then in Faenza, guests of the Formula 1 Scuderia Alpha Tauri, in front of the expert audience of Piazza del Popolo. The arena of Piazza Ariostea will be the glimpse that Ferrara will reserve for the participants. Then it will be time for the return to Mantuan soil, through the stamp controls of Bondeno Poggio Rusco and Revere. Lunch will be served at the millennial location of Castel d'Ario, the birthplace of Tazio Nuvolari, a must-see stop on the 130th anniversary of his birth. Finally, finally the arrival in Mantua after 4 days and 1,100 km of racing,



and the prize-giving among the welcoming historic facades of Piazza Sordello.

The 32nd edition sees confirmed partners Red Bull, Tag Heuer and Finservice, along with the return of Banca Generali, thanks to which the "Nuvolari" will reaffirm some of its fundamental characteristics: sports competition, historical celebration and touring tourism.

Sensitive to issues concerning environmental protection, the "**Gran Premio Nuvolari Green**" **initiative**, an important greening action carried out under the patronage of the Municipality of Mantua, will be proposed again this year. The environmental impact caused by the circulation of the historic cars participating in the event will be offset by the planting, in selected areas, of a sufficient number of tall trees to balance the total CO2 emission.

The event, conceived and organized since 1991 by Mantova Corse, will take place under the auspices of the international federations F.I.A. and F.I.V.A., with A.C.I. Sport and Aci Storico.

The Gran Premio Nuvolari is the fourth round of the "ACI Sport Italian Major Events Championship," of which the Coppa delle Alpi, Coppa Milano Sanremo, Coppa d'Oro delle Dolomiti and Targa Florio Classica are also part.

Requirements and Deadlines

Cars manufactured from **1919 to 1976 with an F.I.V.A. passport, or F.I.A.** Heritage sticker, or A.S.I. homologation, or ACI Sport /ACI Historic sticker, or A.A.V.S. Historic Register entry certificate, are allowed to participate in the Gran Premio Nuvolari.

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