**GRAN PREMIO NUVOLARI 30**th **EDITION**

**THE SECOND STAGE BEGINS**

***The race dedicated to the “Great Tazio” is really getting going:***

***466 km through the spectacular landscapes of central Italy***

**(17)-18-19-20 September 2020**

*19th September 2020* – The first stage of the **30th edition of the Gran Premio Nuvolari** - the most technical international regularity event for classic cars in Italy, which every year brings together the elite of historic motoring together with legendary cars, to honour the myth of Tazio Nuvolari - ended yesterday evening in Cesenatico. Tazio Nuvolari represents the sportsman who more than any other marked the history of the twentieth century, as well as the Gran Premio represents an important **restart** for the entire historic motoring sector. The organization has adopted all the necessary protocols to ensure the safety of the participants and a smooth running of the event.

After the suggestive start from Piazza Sordello in Mantua, the time trials at the Modena Autodrome and the enchanting rides on the Romagna hills, the Gran Premio Nuvolari is really getting going. The second stage will be the most intense, with crews travelling along the Adriatic Road, passing through the Viamaggio pass. Then, they will follow through the Florentine countryside and the Chianti hills, finally arriving in Siena for the usual parade show in Piazza del Campo, one of the most representative squares of the Peninsula. After the break under the cypresses of Borgo Scopeto, the caravan will continue to Piazza Grande, in the heart of Arezzo.

At the moment, the provisional ranking sees at its lead: **Vesco - Vesco, n.19**, driving an Alfa Romeo 6C 1750 SS Zagato from 1929, followed by **Barcella - Ghidotti n.55** (Fiat 508 C, 1938) and **Passanante - De Alessandrini n.48** (Fiat 508 C, 1937), **Belometti - Bettinsoli n.21** (Lancia Lambda, 1929), **Roversi - Bellini n.81** (Fiat 1100/103, 1954) and **Gamberini - Ceccardi n.26** (Fiat 514 Mille Miglia, 1930).

In the late afternoon, the crews will drive along the panoramic streets of Marche, touching Urbino and reaching Rimini, where they will conclude the second stage on the strip of Piazza Tre Martiri. The Gala Dinner in honour of Tazio Nuvolari will take place in the unique setting of the **Grand Hotel of Rimini**, that this year celebrates the Centenary of Fellini's birth.

On **Sunday 20th September** in the morning, the crews will head back to Mantua, after facing the last challenges, perhaps the most crucial ones to determine the winner of the 30th edition. Starting from Rimini, they will deal with the dreaded time trials in Meldola, and then pass through Faenza, guests of the Formula 1 Alpha Tauri team, the recent winner of Gran Premio d’Italia. The arena in Piazza Ariostea in Ferrara will then welcome the competitors with the usual enthusiasm. After 1.095 km, through Borgofranco and Ostiglia, crews will return to Mantua, where the usual farewell lunch is set to take place in the ravishing Palazzo Ducale.

The 30th edition celebrates **an important collective goal**, for the Organizers, for the city of Mantua and for all supporters. The Gran Premio represents ​​a unique opportunity to admire closely some legendary vintage cars that have made the history of world motor racing and which will meet again this year in Piazza Sordello for one of the most fascinating races in the world. The myth of the great Nivola is always strong and present and with the Gran Premio it relives every year, thanks to the many fans who share the emotions of an extraordinary journey aboard real masterpieces of mechanics and design.

Organized by **Mantova Corse**, with the experience and professionalism of always, the regularity event is reserved for cars of historical interest built up to 1976, according to the **F.I.A.**, **F.I.V.A.** and **ACI Sport** regulations.

According to tradition, prestigious sponsors support the Gran Premio Nuvolari: **Red Bull**, "Special Partner", the energy drink par excellence; **TAG Heuer**, "Official Timekeeper Partner", excellence in the Swiss watch industry since 1860; **Gruppo Finservice**, “Technical Partner” and leader in subsidized finance; **Auto Center Jaguar**, “Automotive Partner”.

Great news this year will be the project "**GP Nuvolari Green**" thanks to which Mantova Corse will adopt a conscious approach in the field of environmental protection and sustainability, concretely engaging in the planting of tall trees in selected areas of the city of Mantua, in order to offset and zero the total CO2 emissions produced by the circulation of the participating historic cars.

**Provisional Ranking after the first stage – September 18th**

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| **1** | **Vesco - Vesco** | **n.19** | **ALFA ROMEO 6C 1750 SS ZAGATO** | **1929** |
| **2** | **Barcella - Ghidotti** | **n.55** | **FIAT 508 C** | **1938** |
| **3** | **Passanante – De Alessandrini** | **n.48** | **FIAT 508 C** | **1938** |
| **4** | **Belometti - Bettinsoli** | **n.21** | **LANCIA LAMBDA** | **1929** |
| **5** | **Roversi - Bellini** | **n.81** | **FIAT 110/103** | **1954** |
| **6** | **Gamberini - Ceccardi** | **n.26** | **FIAT 514 MILLE MIGLIA** | **1930** |
| **7** | **Aliverti -Valente** | **n.4** | **ALFA ROMEO 6C 1750 SS** | **1929** |
| **8** | **Lui - Moretti** | **n.49** | **FIAT 508 C** | **1937** |
| **9** | **Bertoli - Gamba** | **n.54** | **FIAT 508 BALILLA** | **1938** |
| **10** | **Patron - Bovio** | **n.3** | **ALFA ROMEO 6C 1750 SS** | **1929** |

**The details of the 30th edition:**

**Participation**: 150 crews at the start coming from the main European countries.

**Period of admission of the cars**: from the beginning up to 1976.

**Route**: this 30th edition proposes a route of **1,095 km** that will cross 5 regions and 12 provinces, along the Mantua-Rimini-Siena-Rimini-Mantua route, the one that over the years has met the greatest appreciation of participants.

**Special crews:**
**Tazio's legendary car**: Nuvolari 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 Mantovano Volante won the Mille Miglia ninety years ago.

Among the crews at the start also Austrian **Dieter Quester** former Formula 1 driver of the 70s and **Red Bull** testimonial who will be at the wheel of a 1937 BMW Roadster.

Wearing the colors of **TAG Heuer** will be **Carlo Vanzini**, Formula 1 commentator for Sky, aboard a 1973 Fiat 124 Spider Abarth.

For the **Gruppo Finservice** will be at the start the CEO **Guido Rovesta** on a Mercedes 190 SL of 1956 and Orazio Rigo on a Mercedes Pagoda SL 250 of 1967.

The event in honor of Nuvolari is the second round of "EpocaChampionship", the Italian Grand Events Championship of Aci Sport, which also includes the Coppa d'Oro delle Dolomiti (23th-26th July 2020), the Targa Florio (15th -18th October 2020) and the Coppa delle Alpi by 1000 Miglia (21st-24th January 2021).

The Gran Premio Nuvolari is sponsored by the City of Mantua, Cesenatico, Rimini, Siena, Arezzo, Urbino and Ferrara.

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