THE 1000 MIGLIA CARS HEAD TO ROME. AT THE TOP OF THE RANKING THERE IS A THREE- WAY COMPETITION

Rome, 16th May 2019 - The second day of the 1000 Miglia 2019 is coming to the end and is about to hit Rome.

Right after a quick lunch break, the vintage cars departed from Fabriano. The lag than headed toward Rome going through Assisi, Perugia, Terni and Rieti. The cars will enter the Italian capital at 8.30 p.m. for the traditional Time Control and a motorcade on Rome's prestigious Via Veneto; made famous by the well-known motion picture by Fellini, *La Dolce Vita*.

Today the crews gave a noteworthy welcome: young and old, enthusiasts and onlookers, have been enthusiastic about the cars of the "most beautiful race in the world" and demonstrated a genuine passion. There was no lack of real emotions, communicated by the stunned gaze of families and children, waving their flags, with the Freccia Rossa or the Italian Tricolore printed on, while the vintage cars were passing in front of their eyes.

A demonstration of affection, pride and a sense of belonging, towards an event capable of bringing people together around a common feeling.

Today it was a long and demanding stage, between climbs and hairpin bends, but also suggestive historical and naturalistic glimpses. The heads-up is now consolidated among the three favorite crews: Moceri-Bonetti; Vesco-Guerini and Tonconogy-Ruffini, with the first two teams at a marginal detachment from each other.

At the end of the precision test 57 - Gualdo Tadino 10, the provisional ranking marked these positions: at the top of the ranking Andrea Vesco - Andrea Guerini (Team Villa Trasqua), with an Alfa Romeo 6C 1750 SS Zagato of 1929; in second place the duo Giovanni Moceri and Daniele Bonetti (Alfa Romeo Team), in an Alfa Romeo 6C 1500 SS of 1928; and always in third position the Bugatti Type 40 of 1927 driven by Juan Tonconogy and Barbara Ruffini.

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As for the Coppa delle Dame, Franca Boni and Monica Barziza in a 1949 Lancia Aprilia 1500, led the provisional ranking, with 10184 points and the 46th overall placement,

"The temperature is warming up and the weather is getting better, consequentially the car behaves, and the performance are improving. Today everything was incredible, from time trials to the landscapes of Italy. We hope for the best".

This is what Romain Dumas commented during today's time trials, driving the car number 338.

Tomorrow the cars will restart from Rome at 6:30 a.m. for the third and decisive day of the 1000 Miglia 2019.

Information on the 1000 Miglia

The 37th re-enactment of the1000 Miglia, the most beautiful race in the world, takes place from Wednesday the 15th to Saturday 18th May 2019. Respecting the tradition that commenced in 1927, the route starts and ends in Brescia, crossing half of Italy in four laps, before and after the turning point in Rome. With its ability to combine tradition, innovation, creativity, elegance and scenic beauty, the 1000 Miglia is a symbol of Italian excellence around the world. Since 2013, the event has been staged by 1000 Miglia Srl, a company fully owned by the Automobile Club of Brescia, which founded it for this purpose in 2012. Chaired by Franco Gussalli Beretta, flanked by deputy chairman Matteo Marzotto and Maurizio Arrivabene and the managing director Alberto Piantoni, 1000 Miglia Srl closed the last balance sheet with a turnover of over 10 million euro.

Google Maps link with the routes of the Sector 5, from Fabriano to Terni: <u>https://goo.gl/f4koY7</u>, and of Sector 6, from Terni to Roma: <u>https://goo.gl/PzYcKb</u>

The complete rankings are available on: links to 1000 Miglia rankings: <u>http://www.1000miglia.it/crono/2019/</u>

Ferrari Tribute: http://ferraritribute.1000miglia.it/crono/2019

Mercedes Challenge: http://mercedesbenzchallenge.1000miglia.it/crono/index.html

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