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## CISALPINA CLASSIC RACE: AN UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE

La Salle, August 26th | The first edition of the Cisalpina Classic Race lived up to the expectations of the eve, giving competitors an unforgettable weekend. In the end, the Magnoni-Vanoni crew emerged victorious among the vintage cars, while Mozzi-Biacca took the lead among the modern GT.

With the awards ceremony held in the elegant Mont Blanc Relais & Spa in La Salle (AO), the first edition of Cisalpina Classic Race formally concluded. This super classic regularity event on the Aci Sport calendar was organized by Classic Paddock, led by Roberto Crugnola and Riccardo Aspesi.

"I designed the race I've always wanted to do," Roberto Crugnola declared at the end of the event. "Thanks to my extensive experience in this field, I've put together the best of what I've seen, attempting to create a delightful mix. However, I leave the final judgment to the competitors, who all seem satisfied."

The event, which brought back the great races for classic cars to Valle d'Aosta after a long absence, guided participants through the most celebrated passes and picturesque roads of the region. It created an atmosphere of charm and sophistication, perfectly aligned with the values of Classic Paddock, and with a meticulous sports component. Over two full days and along the approximately 500 km route, divided into two stages, participants could admire the scenic beauty of Valle d'Aosta and some of Italy's most beautiful villages. The organization meticulously handled every aspect of the event, transforming a high-profile sporting event into a memorable and unique experience, as all competitors were quick to emphasize.

Cisalpina Classic Race traversed highly touristy areas like Saint Vincent, Col de Joux, Colle Panthaleon, La Thuile, Colle San Carlo, and Gran San Bernardo. It received sponsorship from the Autonomous Region of Valle d'Aosta, Love Valle d'Aosta, the Municipalities of Etroubles and Saint-Rhémy-En-Bosses, and especially the Municipality of La Salle, whose historic center hosted the start and finish of the race in the presence of Mayor Loris Salice.

Regarding the sports aspect, the first winners of the Cisalpina Classic Race among vintage cars were Maurizio Magnoni and Marisa Vanoni, competing with a 1971 Lancia Fulvia HF 1600 on behalf of the Registro Italiano Porsche 356.

"I'd give it a 10 out of 10," exclaimed Maurizio Magnoni at the end of the race, expressing his judgment on the Cisalpina Classic Race. "I heard other competitors too, and they all seemed extremely satisfied because everything truly was wonderful."





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Among the grand tourers and supercars, competing for the newly established Campionato Italiano Grandi Eventi Auto Moderne, a regularity champion, and two-time winner of the 1000 Miglia, Giordano Mozzi, stood out. He partnered with Stefania Biacca on a 2012 Ferrari 458 Spider. "It was definitely a challenging race," commented the driver from Mantova on Saturday evening. "We faced very technical trials, with a wide variety of pressure-sensitive passages that reward the most well-rounded crews. We had fun, and I have to commend the organizer for finding an extraordinary balance between the competitive component and the brilliantly chosen locations and roads."

Finally, it's worth noting that Cisalpina Classic Race received support from **CRM Utensili Speciali**, **Rossini Workwear und den Partnern Ariete**, **Mont Blanc Relais & Spa**, **Aci Global Servizi**, **Cantiere Nautico Barberis**, **Risi Mariacristina** and **BE Traced**.

The Top Ten

| Pos. | NoEquipaggio              | Naz | Veicolo/Scuderia              | Anno/Coef | DRV | Raggr. | Cat./Cls. | Tot. Penalità | Distacco |
|------|---------------------------|-----|-------------------------------|-----------|-----|--------|-----------|---------------|----------|
| 1    | 4 MAGNONI Maurizio        | ITA | LANCIA FULVIA HF              | 1971      | Α   |        | RC4       | 396           |          |
|      | VANONI Marisa             | ITA | Registro Italiano Porsche 356 | 1,71      |     |        |           |               |          |
| 2    | 2 MAZZOLENI Sergio        | ITA | TRIUMPH TR2                   | 1954      | Α   |        | RC3       | 465           | 69       |
|      | ROSSONI Roberto           | ITA | Registro Italiano Porsche 356 | 1,54      |     |        |           |               |          |
| 3    | 102 MOZZI Giordano        | ITA | FERRARI 458 SPIDER            | 2012      |     |        | GT        | 490           | 94       |
|      | BIACCA Stefania           | ITA |                               |           |     |        |           |               |          |
| 4    | 103 VERGAMINI Fabio       | ITA | FERRARI 488 GTB               | 2017      |     |        | GT        | 654           | 258      |
|      | FABRIZI Anna Maria        | ITA |                               |           |     |        |           |               |          |
| 5    | 107 SANGIOVANNI Celestino | ITA | FERRARI ROMA                  | 2021      |     |        | GT        | 851           | 455      |
|      | SANGIOVANNI Oreste        | ITA |                               |           |     |        |           |               |          |
| 6    | 3 VIRDIS Alessandro       | ITA | PORSCHE 356 A SPEEDSTER       | 1956      | Α   |        | RC3       | 914           | 518      |
|      | GIORDO Silvia             | ITA | Registro Italiano Porsche 356 | 1,56      |     |        |           |               |          |
| 7    | 6 CRUGNOLA Mario          | ITA | LANCIA FULVIA HF              | 1971      |     |        | RC4       | 1.337         | 941      |
|      | CARROTTA Alberto          | ITA |                               | 1,71      |     |        |           |               |          |
| 8    | 106 MANCINELLI Graziano   | ITA | FERRARI 488 PISTA             | 2018      |     |        | GT        | 1.541         | 1.145    |
|      | BARBERI Silvia            | ITA | Ferrari Club Italia           |           |     |        |           |               |          |
| 9    | 8 MULLER Simon            | ITA | TRIUMPH TR4                   | 1964      |     |        | RC3       | 1.547         | 1.151    |
|      | ZETTL Thomas              | ITA |                               | 1,64      |     |        |           |               |          |
| 10   | 5 DE MARCO Maurizio       | ITA | FIAT OSCA 1500 CABRIO         | 1961      |     |        | RC3       | 1.918         | 1.522    |
|      | SERRI Susanna             | ITA |                               | 1,61      |     |        |           |               |          |

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