

Stella Alpina 2022

The 37th edition of the classic regularity rally among the Dolomite Alps comes to an end



Immersed in one of the most breath-taking mountain ranges in the world, the Dolomites, classic regularity rally Stella Alpina's 37th edition has just come to an end. From June 3 to June 5, racers had the chance to experience amazing nature, wonderful cars, and traditional delicacies.

Crews gathered from all over Italy and the world to enjoy the weekend, with racers flying in from Germany, the UK, Belgium, Switzerland, and the USA. For the merry occasion, Canossa Events and Scuderia Trentina envisioned a captivating race route unraveling across more than 450km and touching 12 mountain passes, such as the famous Giau, Falzarego and Valparola Passes. The rally included 65 timed trials, 6 average speed trials and 11 time checks.

Like every year, Stella Alpina keeps claiming its spot as an excellency-driven experience, enrichened by the grandeur of the Dolomites, the passion for motorsport, and the luxury of Trentino Alto-Adige's hospitality.

Podium

After 3 days of adrenaline-inducing racing, Crew 6, Crugnola Roberto and Mosconi Francesco took the top place on the podium of the **Azimut Trophy – Classic Cars General Ranking**, with their 1937 Fiat 508 C. Following in second place, Virdis Alessandro and Giordo Silvia of Crew 9 with their 1956 Porsche 356 A Speedster. Argenti Mauro and Roberta Amorosa's 1969 Porsche 911 S (Crew 7) took the third place.

As far as the **Azimut Trophy – Modern Ferraris General Ranking** goes, Crew 5, Vergamini Fabio and Fabrizi Anna Maria grabbed the first place with their 2017 Ferrari 488 GBT, which also won the **Average Speed Trial – Modern Cars** prize. Crew 1, Serventi Marco and Bercelli Sara



took second place on their 2020 Ferrari 488 Pista. Last but certainly not least, Carabelli Cesare Giovanni Battista and Evanko John of Crew 3 drove their 2019 Ferrari Portofino to the third place. **The Average Speed Trial – Classic Cars** special prize was awarded to Crew 8, Faccin Antonio and Dal Santo Silvia and their 1937 MG TA.

The **1°** Scuderia prize for foreign crews was won by the Retro Rally Group team, a team effort between Crew 12 Atcherley, Crew 14 Andrews and Crew 18 Poole. The **1°** Scuderia for Italian crews went to Registro Italiano Porsche team, composed of Crew 9 (Virdis-Giordo) and Crew 21 (Conci-Rossetto). Congratulations to all winners and to all who participated in the rally!

Route

Friday, June 3rd

The Stella Alpina team welcomed participants before the race started. After the necessary accreditation and guest check procedures at the G. Caproni Airport of Trento, crews were finally able to line up in Piedicastello Square, in the historical city center of Trento.

Drivers had a first taste of the scenery offered by the Dolomites on their drive towards Mezzocorona. On this first day, crews also drove along the Wine Road while undergoing several timed trials. As the name evocatively suggests, the Wine Road is a well-known and scenic historic road winding through 4.249 hectares of vineyards.

The race continued towards Egna, ranked as one of the most beautiful towns in Italy, where drivers took a much-deserved break under the porticoes of the city center. The next stops were Aldino and Monte San Pietro, followed by the crossing of the beautiful Lavazè Pass, connecting



Ega and Fiemme valleys, and the renowned town of Cavalese. The first day came to a close in Moena, highlight of Trentino for Ladin culture and gastronomy.

Saturday, June 4th

The second day started in the Piaz de Ramon square of Moena, also known as "the fairy of the Dolomites" for the pink shade of the surrounding mountains at dawn and sunset. The beginning of the drive was graced by a sunny morning, which continued as crews

made their way to the San Pellegrino Pass and Caprile, location of the first break of the day. The expereince continued then to Alleghe and to the marveling sight of three Dolomites passes: Giau, Falzarego and Valparola.

The exciting day went on as crews made their way to Armentarola, a gem tucked away in lush Badia Valley, and Colfosco. After a lunch break in Selva di Val Gardena, the crews run towards the Gardena Pass to then reach, in order, Ortisei, the Pinei Pass and Siusi. Fiè dello Scilliar was the location of the next break, and the day concluded with a final rush across Bolzano, the Tires Pass and the Costalunga Pass, after which crews returned to Moena.



Sunday, June 5th

On the third and final day, framed by the unforgettable background of the Fiemme Valley, participants got behind the starting line in Piaz de Ramon in Moena, speeding towards Predazzo, Cavalese and the luxuriant greenery of the Menghen Pass.

The race continued through Borgo Valsugana, Levico, and up towards the Compet Pass. From there, the crews descended and reached Pergine Valsugana and Lake Caldonazzo, in the heart of Valsugana valley.

After the Vigolo Vattaro Pass, crews reached the finish line in Trento, where they had their concluding luncheon and awarding ceremony at the majestic Villa Bortolazzi, one of the most significant historical and artistic building in all Trentino.

Comments and acknowledgments

Fiorenzo Dalmeri, patron of the event, thus praised this year's edition: "The level of this year's event was really elevated, thanks to the minutely planned race course and the breath-taking scenery around it. The mountains were absolutely amazing, and all the racers loved them. The atmosphere was friendly and cozy at all times. We had the chance to taste incredible cheese and cold cuts, and savor excellent Ferrari sparkling wines and wines from the Endrizzi winery. The result was definitely on par with previous editions of Stella Alpina that I have had the honor to organize and host here in Trentino. A special thanks to our sponsors, especially AZIMUT who helps us keep this event at the highest level of hospitality".

Scuderia Trentina and Canossa Events would like to give a warm thank to all the sponsors of the event, with a particular mention to our main sponsor Azimut, and RM Sotheby's, Ferrari Spumanti and Sara Assicurazioni, our top sponsors. We also want to express our gratitude to Autoindustriale Mercedes, Grassi Gestioni Immobiliari and Gare d'Epoca, as well as to all the participants who took part in the event and the organizing staff who made all this possible.



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