



## Stella Alpina 2018: the 33<sup>rd</sup> tribute rally is ready to go!

**6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> July 2018:** *make a note of the dates for the 33<sup>rd</sup> **Stella Alpina** tribute rally this year. Lots of new ideas are on the table for 2018, the most exciting being the high-altitude hospitality at Moena, the Enchantress of the Dolomites, and the itinerary crossing the most spectacular passes in the Alps. The Stella Alpina is valid for ACI's "Superclassiche" Trophy, only assigned to the most important classic car events in Italy.*

This year's Stella Alpina will be held from July 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>: three fantastic days driving on the most panoramic roads in the Dolomites and tackling the most exhilarating passes in the Alps.

For 2018, the Organisers wanted to create a really special event that will take the crews up to the mountain tops, on the most spectacular and challenging roads in the Dolomites.

Marvellous views, fabulous roads with some tricky climbs and hairpin bends, **99 challenging timed trials** and **6 average speed trials**, hospitality at Moena, lunch and dinner in the Italian Alps. These are the ingredients for what will undoubtedly be a very special rally, handled with care by Scuderia Trentina with the support of the Canossa Events team.

The Stella Alpina is part of the new "**SuperClassiche**" Italian **Trophy**, promoted by ACI Sport and assigned to just 7 of the top regularity rallies in Italy.

The event will get off to a start on Friday July 6<sup>th</sup> in Trento city centre when the 70 marvellous classic cars will be presented to the public before setting off for Moena in Val di Fassa, where accommodation has been arranged for the crews for the full duration of the rally.

On Saturday, the crews will enjoy some spectacular scenery as they will be travelling along some of the most stunning roads in the Dolomites and crossing seven Alpine passes.

On Sunday, the crews will drive through Val di Fiemme and the Adige valley, reaching Trento for the awards ceremony held at Cantine Ferrari.

This year, the timed trials will again be available on the Iborra App, which can be downloaded free of charge, thanks to the partnership with Digitech.

### **The race, day by day:**

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July from 2.30 pm to 6.30 pm, there will be a taster of the rally ahead: the Organisers have arranged for a course on Regularity for the crews that are first to register, held by a very special guest speaker: Giordano Mozzi, several times Italian champion as well as three-time winner of the Stella Alpina and twice winner of the Mille Miglia.

The race will start on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July: after the checks and "punzonatura" of the cars at Cantine Ferrari, the crews will start to gather from 3.30 pm in the centre of Trento, where all the cars will be presented to the public.

The green flag will signal the start of the race at 4.00 pm: the first leg includes a passage check a Sover, before the crews head off towards Lavazè Pass, Costalunga Pass and into Val di Fassa.

The first leg is set to arrive by 7.30 pm at Sén Jan - Pozza di Fassa, with an exciting welcome party organised in partnership with the local Tourist Information Centre.

After dinner, the crews will drive to Moena where accommodation has been arranged in the best hotels in town.

On Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> the race enters the heart of the Dolomites. The challenging route crosses seven passes in the Alps, including Pordoi, Campolongo, Gardena, Sella, Fedaiia and Valles. The crews will



receive a warm welcome when they stop off at Corvara, Canazei and Agordo, with lunch arranged at Lake Alleghe.

After arriving at Moena, expected at 6.30 pm, a truly special evening awaits the crews with a spectacular high altitude dinner at Chalet Valbona.

On Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> the crews face their final challenges. The third leg will set off from Vigo di Fassa at 9.00 am. They will drive through Val di Fiemme passing through Predazzo, Cavalese, Egna, crossing Passo Lugano, along the wine route in the Adige valley, and through Lavis for the last time check and an aperitif. They will finish at Cantine Ferrari where the closing lunch and awards ceremony will also be held.

The Stella Alpina is an international event, made possible by the vital contribution of its sponsors, in particular Azimut Wealth Management, acknowledged by a challenging Trophy, Cuervo y Sobrinos, the official timekeeper for the race, Cantine Ferrari that offers us the best way to toast the events, Banca Galileo, Fassi, Tridentum, Zuccari and Gare d'Epoca the highly-valued supporter of the race.

### **The Tribute to the Prancing Horse**

After last year's success, a **Ranking for modern Ferraris** will be drawn up in honour of the Prancing Horse; these vehicles will compete along the same route and same trials. The Stella Alpina is on the calendar of the Regularity Trophy awarded by Ferrari Club Italia.

### **A brief history**

The Stella Alpina was the brainchild of Giovanni Canestrini who was born in Trentino and was a legendary journalist who was particularly interested in cars. Mr Canestrini had the idea for the "perfect" race to be based in one of the towns in Trentino to make it more convenient for competitors and the press, which he called the Quadrifoglio Alpino (Alpine Four-Leaved Clover), as he thought the race should be divided into four legs and be based in Merano.

In actual fact, the first race held in 1947 was based in Trento, also on account of the support and enthusiasm of Count Sigismondo Mancini, President of ACI (Italian Automobile Club) at the time, who reworked Mr Canestrini's original idea. It got the name Stella Alpina right away, also to honour the mountains in Trentino.

Like the other races around at the time, the Stella Alpina was originally intended as a speed trial, with the unusual addition of its adrenalin-packed downhill sections. 51 competitors took part in the first edition and no less than Tazio Nuvolari fired the starting gun.

After years of success, also due to the top drivers of the time taking part, the Stella Alpina came to a standstill in 1957, like all other road rallies.

It was resurrected as a regularity race for classic cars in 1984. This was the year when Scuderia Trentina decided to pay a tribute to this important challenge by organising a sort of classic car pageant consisting of a regularity race. The adventure continued and this year the 33<sup>rd</sup> edition will be held from July 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

We are looking forward to seeing you all from July 6<sup>th</sup> to the 8<sup>th</sup> and to enjoying what promises to be a record event.

Download a selection of photos of the Stella Alpina via these links: <https://we.tl/2Bwjmb3ihA>

For more details go to [www.stellaalpinastorica.it](http://www.stellaalpinastorica.it)



**PROGRAMME OF THE STELLA ALPINA  
6TH - 8TH JULY 2018**

**Thursday 5th July**

2.30 - 6.30 pm Course on Regularity held by Giordano Mozzi. Reservation required.  
Meet at the Chalet Rocce Rosse car park (Trento)

**Friday July 6th – approx. 110 km**

12.00-3.00 pm Registration and checks at Cantine Ferrari, Trento  
from 3.30 pm Presentation of the cars to the general public  
4.00 pm Departure of the first leg heading towards Lavazè Pass, Costalunga Pass, and Val di Fassa  
5.30 pm Arrival and Passage Check at Sover  
7.30 pm Arrival of the first leg at Sén Jan - Pozza di Fassa and welcome party with local folklore groups  
8.00 pm Dinner at Sén Jan - Pozza di Fassa  
Moena Accommodation in the best Hotels in Moena, the Enchantress of the Dolomites

**Saturday 7th July – approx. 240 km**

9.00 am Departure of the second leg from Moena old town centre  
In the heart of the Dolomites. The route will cross 7 Alpine passes, including Pordoi, Campolongo, Gardena, Sella, Fedaia and Valles  
10.40 am Arrival and Passage Check at Corvara  
11.50 am Arrival and Passage Check at Canazei  
1.00 pm Lunch at Lake Alleghe  
3.40 pm Arrival and Passage Check at Agordo  
6.30 pm Arrival of the second leg at Moena  
8.30 pm High Altitude Dinner at Chalet Valbona  
--.-- Accommodation in the best Hotels in Moena

**Sunday July 8th – approx. 110 km**

9.00 am Departure of the third leg from Vigo di Fassa  
Crossing Val di Fiemme towards Predazzo, Cavalese, Passo Lugano, the wine route of the Adige valley and Lavis.  
10.10 am Arrival and Passage Check at Cavalese  
11.10 am Arrival and Passage Check at Egna  
12.15 pm Arrival of the third leg at Lavis and welcome aperitifs  
1.00 pm Final lunch and awards ceremony at Cantine Ferrari, Trento