



Rally News

Terre di Canossa

On 19-22 April the Terre di Canossa will begin its 600km journey through the art cities and sites of natural beauty in Tuscany, Liguria and Emilia. Brought to you by Scuderia Tricolore, of Cento Ore fame, the Canossa goes at a different pace and gives competitors more time to savour the lunches and dinners, the palaces and places of cultural and natural heritage that these regions have to offer. Salsomaggiore Terme, La Spezia, Portovenere, Lerici and the Cinque Terre, Forte de Marmi, Lucca, Pisa and Reggio Emilia are all on the menu, with special tests and regularity sections including a visit to the Autodromo di Varano along the way. Though the cut off date for cars is 1976, the pace and the route are also suitable for pre-war cars.

The rally attracts an international entry limited to 100 cars so organisers can maintain the highest standards of hospitality. The food, wine and hotels are all top class. The event will be part of the new "Trofeo Superclassiche", promoted by Italy's governing body, ACI Sport, and assigned to just seven of the top Italian regularity rallies. See www.granpremieredicanossa.it for details and entries.

Superclassiche Cup

Italy's ASN, ACI Sport, has announced a Trofeo Superclassiche, which will encompass seven historic regularity events. Participants will count their scores from six of the seven events to find a Superclassiche champion. Qualifying events are WinteRace (1-3 March), Coppa Milano-Sanremo (22-24 March), Terre di Canossa (19-22 April), Mitteleuropean Race (1-3 June), Corsa di Alcide (8-10 June), Summer Marathon (15-17 June) and Stella Alpina (6-8 July). See individual organisers or www.acisport.it for more details.

The Tour European Rally Goes Historic

The promoters and organisers of the Tour European Rally (TER) have announced that, starting in 2018, TER will extend to historic cars with the creation of a new series, the Tour European Rally Historic.

TER, inaugurated in 2016 for modern cars, is a collaboration between the TER organisers and organisers of selected rallies offering a championship for cars running to a common set of regulations across several events. Luca Grilli and his TER team have delivered a series of rallies that receives extensive media and television coverage in great tourist locations like Transylvania, Côte D'Azur, Madeira and Vallais, and therefore gain the support of the local regions and tourist boards, as well as other sponsors.

It seems a formula almost tailor made for historic rallying, and so it will be, starting this year, when TER Historic announces a calendar of events in great locations for 2018. Watch this space for details or see www.terseries.com.