



# TRIAL DES NATIONS

## THE LAST MEETING OF THE SEASON



Photo: Freixa wants to win Trial des Nations with spanish team for second time.

▶ The last international outdoor competition is going to be held in La Bresse (France). This is a special competition where the feeling of joining a National Team meets with the individuality of trials. The last winner of the Trial des Nations was Spain, who won the 2000 competition which was held in Seva (Spain). Member of that team was Marc Freixa, the Otyan-Sherco's rider who

this year was third in the World Championship. Freixa thinks that some Nations are the favourites to get the title. "Spain, of course because last year we won and this time I think that all the riders of our team are in a very good fit. Great Britain will be a hard opponent. Last year Graham Jarvis was injured but this season he has been one of the best of the championship", said Freixa. In the same way thinks Doug Lampkin. "I hope that Great Britain is going to be in the top. This year we have Graham Jarvis in our team and I think that this is a good new for us. We will try to be again in the top like in 1999 and 1997", said Montesa's rider.■

## The national teams of Japan and United States will not be at Trial des Nations

▶ Japan and United States won't be in La Bresse (France) this weekend. These two national teams won't participate in Trial des Nations because of tragic events concerned last week in the United States. Motorcycle Federations of Japan and United States have decided to protect their riders and won't send any representatives to this event. Japanese Federation has said in a press release that nobody can certify safety travelling by plane and the most important is the safety and the future of their members. For that, there will be 25 men national teams and nine ladies national teams in 2001 Trial des Nations. Without Japan, one of the maximum favourites to win in men, Spain and Great Britain are at this moment the national teams with more possibilities to obtain the victory.■



Photo: Fujinami will be the most importante absence of Trial des Nations.

## TRIAL DES NATIONS RANKING

(Since 1984 the first Trial des Nations)

- **SPAIN 9 victories**  
(89, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 98, 00)
- **FRANCE 5 victories**  
(84, 85, 86, 88, 90)
- **GREAT BRITAIN 2 victories**  
(97, 99)
- **ITALY 1 victory**  
(87)

## TRIAL DES NATIONS WINNERS

(Since 1990)

- **1990 FRANCE**  
Berlatier, Camozzi, Girard, Couturier
- **1991 SPAIN**  
Tarrés, Bilbao, Colomer, Renales
- **1992 SPAIN**  
Colomer, Bilbao, Tarrés, Pons
- **1993 SPAIN**  
Colomer, Bilbao, Tarrés, Pons
- **1994 SPAIN**  
Colomer, Tarrés, Pons, García
- **1995 SPAIN**  
Tarrés, Pons, Colomer, Bilbao
- **1996 SPAIN**  
Tarrés, Colomer, Bilbao, Justribó
- **1997 GREAT BRITAIN**  
Colley, Lampkin, Jarvis, Clark
- **1998 SPAIN**  
Bilbao, Pascuet, Colomer, Justribó
- **1999 GREAT BRITAIN**  
Colley, Croswaite, Jarvis, Lampin
- **2000 SPAIN**  
Cabestany, Colomer, Freixa, Justribó



## HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE CZECH REPUBLIC

### Day 1



Adam Raga won the first day of competition in Kramolin-Nepomuk. The Gas-Gas rider had a good second lap with only 4 marks dropped, for a finally 13 score. "I'm very happy with this result because this is my second victory this year. The victory comes in a great moment in my first season in the senior competition", said the victorious Raga. 2nd place went to Sherco's Graham

Jarvis, 2 marks adrift of Raga. This is the 4th consecutive podium place for Jarvis after his win at the French Grand Prix.

3rd in the first day in Nepomuk was Albert Cabestany who made his first appearance in the podium this season. Beta's rider dropped 16 marks. "This is my first podium of the season, some people said that I'm an irregular rider in wet conditions but I showed everybody that I could be in the top when it's raining", said Cabestany.

Spanning just a few marks in total the competition were very close to the leading positions Lampkin, Freixa, Cobos and Fujinami.■

### Day 2



Dougie Lampkin was disappointed for not being able to finish the season on a winning note, when he was defeated by a single mark on the final day of the final round of the championship held in the Czech Republic. Despite Saturday's low scores none of the sections were altered overnight to add severity to the course, meaning today's trial was always going to be

as much a 'lottery' as a real test of skill, as many of the riders circulated on single figure lap scores..

With no rain during the night and only a very brief shower as the first competitors started at nine thirty in the morning, the sections although drier were actually slightly more slippery with mud being dragged on to all the rocks. The heavy rain had constantly washed the boulders clean leaving a fair amount of grip on the surface. The World Champion looked confident during the opening lap, losing just a single mark at section five where a compulsory stop was the safest route and the disputed two at the final hazard. These three marks left Lampkin trailing Jarvis by one mark at the halfway point.

Another stop at section five on his second visit, plus a single dab at section thirteen put Lampkin on two for the lap and five in total, but this performance was not enough to take the win as Jarvis matched Dougie's later score to take the victory by a very narrow margin. The third place was, like the first day for Albert Cabestany.■

## 2001 TRIAL DES NATIONS

### NATIONAL TEAMS/ MEN FEDERATION

● Spain	RFME
● Great Britain	ACU
● Italy	FMI
● Finland	SMC
● France	FFM
● Czech Republic	ACCR
● Sweden	SVEMO
● Belgium	FMB
● Germany	DMSB
● Netherlands	KNMV
● Australia	MA
● Ireland	MCUI
● Norway	NMF
● Andorra	FMA
● Switzerland	FMS
● Austria	OAMTC
● Poland	PZM
● Canada	CMA
● Colombia	FCM
● Portugal	FNM
● Luxembourg	MVL
● Latvia	LaMSF
● New Zealand	MNZ
● Russia	MFR
● Venezuela	FMV

### NATIONAL TEAMS/ LADIES FEDERATION

● Spain	RFME
● France	FFM
● Great Britain	ACU
● Germany	DMSB
● Canada	CMA
● Norway	NMF
● Italy	FMI
● Australia	MA
● Portugal	FNM



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