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World Indoor Trial Championship
7 th round.



Toni Bou is World Champion!

The Repsol-Montesa HRC rider only had to finish second in the penultimate event to conquer his first world championship

Mahón (Menorca, Spain), 24.02.2007. - Toni Bou (Montesa-HRC Cota 4RT) obtained the title of World Indoor Trial Champion after finishing second in the seventh and penultimate scoring event, held this Saturday in Mahón. Born on October 17th, 1986 and resident in Piera, province of Barcelona, Bou won his first title as a trial rider when he was 13 years old (Junior Champion of Catalonia), followed by the Junior Spanish championship in 2001, the Junior Continental Cup (2002) and the European Championship (2003). Bou has won the Trial des Nations twice (2005 and 2006), and in 2006 he also won the absolute Spanish Championship. During this, his first year as a rider for the Repsol-Montesa HRC team, the Catalan has won four of the seven events held up to now in the World Indoor Championship and was second in another two.

Bou ended the first lap leading this competition in the Balearic Islands, obtaining a one-point tie with Albert Cabestany and with one point more than Adam Raga. The three remained close in the play-off, in which Takahisa Fujinami and Dougie Lampkin were out (both riding Montesa-HRC Cota 4RT), this being the third consecutive time that the Japanese riders almost reaches the podium.

Toni Bou: *"Ever since I was small, I wanted to be World Champion, a dream that has now come true. When I decided to join the Repsol-Montesa HRC team, I was sure that here I would find the best way to progress in my sports career, but I never imagined that this first success would come so quickly, just in my second season in the world indoor. This title is the best reward that I can offer the team for the confidence that they have all placed in me, and it's without doubt the best encouragement to continue working as much as we have done up to now"*.

Takahisa Fujinami: *"Of course, a magnificent day for the team and for Toni, who's obtained the best prize for his impeccable work. I would have been thrilled to be with him on the podium like in Barcelona, but I made too many mistakes. In contrast to the two previous events, this time the differences were significant"*.

Dougie Lampkin: *"First I'd like to congratulate Toni and the team for the achievement and how they did it. We've all worked as hard as possible ever since the 4-stroke Cota was developed, to be able to celebrate this success. Regarding Toni, I've been through what he is experiencing and know perfectly well how he's feeling"*.

The Indoor Trial World Championship ends on March 17th in Madrid.

* Standing Mahón Indoor Trial		* World Championship	
1. Albert Cabestany (Sherco)	23 points	1. Toni Bou (Montesa)	59 points
2. Toni Bou (Montesa)	25 "	2. Albert Cabestany (Sherco)	49 "
3. Adam Raga (Gas Gas)	26 "	3. Adam Raga (Gas Gas)	47 "
		4. Takahisa Fujinami (Montesa)	37 "
* Eliminated after the qualification lap		5. Jeroni Fajardo (Beta)	30 "
Takahisa Fujinami (Montesa)	15 points	6. Dougie Lampkin (Montesa)	30 "
Jeroni Fajardo (Beta)	15 "	7. Tadeusz Blazusiak (Beta)	8 "
Dougie Lampkin (Montesa)	21 "	8. Shaun Morris (Gas Gas)	4 "
Tadeusz Blazusiak (Beta)	29 "	9. Jérôme Bethune (Beta)	2 "

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