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World Indoor Trial Championship
1st round.



Toni Bou begins defending his title by winning the first event of the season.

Marseille (France), 19.01.2008. - This Saturday, Toni Bou (Montesa-HRC Cota 4RT) won the event that has begun a new edition of the World Indoor Trial Championship in the Sports Palace of Marseille. The Montesa rider, current champion, polished his performance to the limit in an exciting play-off, after finishing third in the classification lap, scoring 11 points, the same as Takahisa Fujinami (Montesa-HRC Cota 4RT), using the time taken by both of them to decide deadlock between the team-mates. Bou finished the first pass through the seven individual zones in 9:02 and was the only participant not penalised for excess time, established at 11 minutes.



Toni Bou: *"Of course, this has been the best way to start the championship. And at the same time I've managed to get even with this event. I think in a championship as short as this one, with only six scoring events, to win has an added value. What's true is that we'll have to be very careful with mistakes, because whoever makes them will find it very difficult to recover lost ground, and regarding this event; I suffered a bit in the first lap. Of course, being the current champion and defending the title means more pressure on me, but this won't change our approach, which is identical to the one that was so successful last year; taking each event as it comes".*

Takahisa Fujinami: *"I was out of the final when I lost the parallel race with Toni. It was a question of him or me, and he was sharper at the key moment. But I feel quite satisfied, perhaps due to our equal performance. Of course, it would have been much better to begin the season on the podium. We'll work to achieve this in the next world championship event".*

The second World Championship scoring event will be held on February 3rd in Barcelona, in the Palau Sant Jordi.

* Standing Marseille Indoor Trial		* World Championship	
1. Toni Bou (Montesa)	8 points	1. Toni Bou (Montesa)	10 points
2. Albert Cabestany (Sherco)	10 "	2. Albert Cabestany (Sherco)	8 "
3. Adam Raga (Gas Gas)	11 "	3. Adam Raga (Gas Gas)	6 "
		4. Takahisa Fujinami (Montesa)	5 "
* Eliminated after the qualification lap		5. Jeroni Fajardo (Beta)	4 "
Takahisa Fujinami (Montesa)	11 points	6. James Dabill (Montesa)	3 "
Jeroni Fajardo (Beta)	19 "	7. Dougie Lampkin (Beta)	2 "
James Dabill (Montesa)	20 "	8. Jérôme Bethune (Beta)	1 "
Dougie Lampkin (Beta)	26 "		
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