

ATHENS: A HISTORIQUE RE-START CITY for the “22nd Rallye Monte-Carlo Historique-RMCH 2019”

Athens, 19/12/2019. Rallying as it's supposed to be: the first start of the Rallye Monte-Carlo from the ancient city of Athens was done in 1927. That was 92 years ago!

Αθήνα - Monte Carlo 1927 - 1939 & 1954 - 1975



A Hotchkiss AM 80S, with Rallye Monte Carlo entry No. 2, photographed on a sunny Monday 20th January 1936 in front of 'Hadrian Arch' in Athens. Next, the smartly dressed French driver Jean Trevoux [[http://www.wikiwand.com/en/Jean Trévoux](http://www.wikiwand.com/en/Jean_Trévoux)]. At age 31 he already had a victory as a co-pilot of Louis Gas in the Monte of 1932! [Source: Nicholas S. Zalmas, [Telling Stories](#)]

DEPARTS D'ATHENES				
(via Belgrade-Vienne-Strasbourg-Dijon 3.868 km)				
le 25 Janvier de 10 h. 37 à 10 h. 58				
N° 1	Ch. LAHAYE-R. QUATRESOUS	Français	Renault (4.085 cmc)	à 10 h. 37
N° 3	J. TREVOUX	Français	Hotchkiss (3.485 cmc)	> 10 h. 38
N° 8	M ^{me} M. MAKEUSE- M ^{lle} HUSTINX	Françaises (C. Dames)	Hotchkiss (3.485 cmc)	> 10 h. 39
N° 12	H.E. SYMONS	Anglais	Wolseley (3.485 cmc)	> 10 h. 40
N° 16	I. ZAMFIRESCOU-P.G. CRISTEA	Roumains	Ford (3.622 cmc)	> 10 h. 41
N° 19	A. CONOPISSOPOULOS	Hellène	Buick (3.820 cmc)	> 10 h. 42
N° 21	Ch. AMBAUD	Français	Delahaye (3.227 cmc)	> 10 h. 43
N° 22	M ^{me} O. SIKO- M ^{lle} S. des FOREST	Françaises (C. Dames)	Delahaye (3.227 cmc)	> 10 h. 44

The last start of RMC from the city of Parthenon and the Acropolis, was done in 1975. That was 44 years ago...



Revival of the Athens Start for the 22nd Rallye Monte-Carlo Historique-RMCH 2019

The [Sports Car Owners Club of Greece-S.I.S.A.](#), under the auspices of the Honorable Mayor of the [City of Athens](#) Mr. [George Kaminis](#), the [FIA](#) Sporting Power Sole Representative [Federation of Greek Motorized Sports-O.M.A.E.](#) and the [FIVA](#) ANF [Federation Hellenique FILPA-E.O. FILPA](#), having obtained

the approval from the [Automobile Club de Monaco-ACM](#), has successfully invited participants for joining the Revival of the Athens Start-RMCH 2019, for a unique experience.

Hence, the Athens start for the [24 Crews](#) and their Historic Vehicles [13 from abroad and 11 from Greece] will take place on **Wednesday 30th January 2019** from one of the World Famous Monuments of Athens at the foot of [Acropolis](#).



Drawing by the Spanish artist Javier de Juan [www.artbellinsky.com]

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Monday 28th January 2019 (or optionally earlier)

Accommodation in a selection of luxury Center of Athens hotels at fixed special prices.

□ We would like to introduce our **Ambassador**, who will be available for rendering any assistance to our honored participants from abroad. He would love to meet the Teams and organize their cultural visits to Museums, Art Galleries, dining, wine bars, inn things to do or simply arrange or suggest sightseeing itineraries for the culturally rich City of Athens. Feel free to take up early contact with our **Ambassador**, our Greek-French & English speaking partner, Mr. Athanase Yannoukos [iPhone +30 6932 210 600 | e-mail yannoukos@otenet.gr]

- Recommendation to visit the [Acropolis Museum](#)
- And/or the [Acropolis of Athens](#) monument
- OR [The Stavros Niarchos Foundation Cultural Center](#)
- **On voluntary basis:** at 19:00 let's gather all for getting to know our Teammates, in Athens' downtown Inn wine bar, called **By the Glass** [www.bytheglass.gr] **RESERVATION REQUIRED IN ADVANCE, please contact our Ambassador** □

Tuesday 29th January 2019

- Scrutineering will take place at the indoor [Acropol Parking](#) at the [Hellenic Motor Museum](#).
- [From 16:00-19:00](#) Registration of Participants (administered by the ACM Stewards) & Scrutineering procedure (administered by S.I.S.A. technical staff).
- [18:00-19:00](#) Exclusive opening of the Hellenic Motor Museum and VIP tour for crews that will participate at the RMCH 2019 Athens Start.
- [19:30-22:00](#) Evening buffet in the central hall of the Hellenic Motor Museum hosted by EKO Racing and S.I.S.A. - Sports Car Owners Club of Greece.

Wednesday 30th January 2019

- From 11:00 to 11:30 Gathering of crews at the [Dionysus Parking](#) area
- 12:30 A celebratory podium start at one of the City of Athens most famous monument at the foot of Acropolis, with VIP's present, The Honorable Mayor of Athens and the City Philharmonic Band, Federation Presidents, Sponsors, TV crews, Car Aficionados and so on. With an EmCee, Mr. [Miltos Patronis](#), who will be presenting crews and cars in English and Greek languages.
- To be escorted by a number of Classic Cars en route to the port of Patras for boarding the Superfast Ferry to Ancona, Italy. A **2 h 27 min** (219 km) trip **via Olimpia Odos/A8 and E.O. Korinthou Patron/Olimpia Odos/E65/E08A.**
- Members from the Patras based "[Hellenic Club of Historic Vehicles-E.L.I.A.](#)" will meet us at the port for a good-by/good-luck reception [TBC].
- Embark on our Official [Superfast Ferry](#) Line Sponsor's vessel **Superfast XI** ca. 16:00 | ETD 17:30

Thursday 31st January 2019

- Disembark after a 20 hours voyage to Ancona at about 15:30 to 17:30.
- Free options for Hotels lodging at Rimini, Imola, Parma or Modena or proceeding directly to Milan for **4 h 16 min** (424 km) **via A14 - Autostrada Adriatica/A14, E45 and A1.**

Friday 1st February 2019

- By 15:00 Regroup at Milan's City Centre, [Piazza Castello – Castello Sforzesco](#). By 18:00 Departure of the first car for the Milan Participants & by 19:05 Departure of the first car for the Athens Participants □

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