



# Le QUOTIDIEN



Yesterday, the first crews of the 19th edition of Rallye Monte-Carlo Historique left from Oslo, Norway and Glasgow, Scotland towards the Principality of Monaco.

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## Concentration Route (part 2)



### Departure from Bad Homburg

Friday, from 12:30 p.m. around sixty crews will start the Rally from the German city of **Bad Homburg**, third on list. The Belgian **José Lareppe**, triple winner of this notorious event, will be the first to launch behind the wheel of his Opel Kadett GT/E.

Its Thermal Baths, covering almost 45 hectares (111 acres), and its casino made **Bad Homburg** one of the European's gambling capitals.



### Departure from Barcelona

Around a hundred crews have chosen the Catalan capital as city of departure. At 6 p.m., the 2013 World Champion in WRC-3, **Sébastien Chardonnet** will be the first to enter the race from the Avenida de la Catedral towards the Principality of Monaco.

Located on the Mediterranean coast, Spain's second city is known, among other things, for its Ramblas and the Sagrada Familia, the famous basilica designed by the architect Antonio Gaudi that remains the most visited monument of Spain



### Departure from Reims

Great classic of the Concentration Routes in France, **Reims** generally regroups the greater number of crews for departure (almost 130 this year). Many notorious names will start the rally starting at 7 p.m. from the podium located near the City Hall: **Jean Ragnotti**, **Michel Leclere**, **Alain Serpaggi**, **Carlos Antunes-Tavares**, the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the PSA Peugeot Citroën group, present for the third time, and let's not forget about the nine-time World Champion, the monégasque **Daniel Elena**, with **Olivier Campana** by his side.

Sub-prefecture of Marne, **Reims** is notorious for its champagne, which is both its principal historical asset and one of the strength of its economy.



## Departures from Oslo & Glasgow



### John O'Groats



For those who do not know, this is not the name of a famous Irish man but the name of a village in northern Scotland. We should even say extreme north since **John O'Groats** is known as **Great Britain's** extreme northeast peak.



Exactly 90 years ago, a Scottish man, **Victor Bruce**, started the race from this small city in the Scottish Highlands, behind the wheel of his AC, towards the French Riviera. After a 2.500 kilometre long journey (1553 miles), he arrived in the **Principality of Monaco** and became the first British driver to win the most renowned endurance race of the world.

*Miss Anne Dunnett,  
Lord Lieutenant of Caithness  
(Scotland), the Queen's  
representative, in the company  
of Claude Plasseraud  
from the ACM.*

For the anniversary, a dozen crews left from **Taigh Iain Ghròt** (the village's Gaelic name) towards **Monaco**. Among them are the daughter and grandson of the Scottish aristocrat, winner of the 1926 Rallye Monte-Carlo.



*Mr. Nicolas Daragon, mayor of Valence, in company of Gery Mestre, Historic Cars Commission Chairman of the ACM and Nicolas Ponset, after the Pre-Event Press Conference in the Valence City Hall, Wednesday 27th January.*



The ASA Langres, so dear to **Guy Fréquelin**, will be waiting for you from 9.30 p.m. Friday 29th January until Saturday 2.30 a.m., Place Bel Air in **Langres** for the Time Control of the teams coming from **Bad Homburg, Oslo, Reims and Glasgow**.

### Schedule of Friday 29th January 2016

- 12.00 p.m.: Time Control in Bad Homburg (for Oslo's itinerary)
- 12.30 p.m. : Departure from Bad Homburg
- 12.30 p.m. : Time Control in Calais (for Glasgow's itinerary)
- 6.00 p.m. : Departure from Barcelona

From 10.15 p.m. : Time Control in Langres (itinerary of Bad Homburg, Oslo et Reims)

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