

MONTE NEWS FLASH

Top Award Goes to French Crew



The 2018 Ecosse Cup for the highest placed Scottish Starter has been won by the French crew of Gerard Thill and Colette Roubaud in their SAAB 96. They finished a very respectable 97th from an entry of over 300 Historiques. They have been in touch to say that they will come back to Scotland on 14 April to collect their award at the Post Monte Dinner and Prizegiving. The other major awards have been won by 'first timers'. The Thistle Cup for the highest placed oldest car was won by the Irish crew of Stephen Latta and Gary Greenberg in their 1955 Mercedes Benz. The Saltire Cup for the highest placed smallest engine car was won by and English crew – Chris Mockridge and John Varney in a Mini 1275. A truly International group of winners reflecting the breadth of the Scottish Start.

New Awards for 2018



The entrants to the Rallye Monte Carlo Classique 2018 had the opportunity to visit the same controls as the Historique on the Concentration Run and have their cards stamped. To acknowledge their success, those who visited all the controls and submitted their stamped card will receive 'Gold' Medals. The other crews who made it to Monte Carlo will receive 'Silver' Medals. If you have not sent in your card – either scanned or photographed, you should do so as soon as possible. To have

the card stamped at all the controls was a great accomplishment given the age of the cars and the tight schedule. The controls were not kept open for the Classiques so they had to arrive during the time window allowed for the Historiques. Congratulations to those who managed this.

There will also be a Concours d'Elegance award and a new award, suggested by Michael Hyrons – Top Service Crew. It looks as if this will be hotly contested. A number of nominations and testimonials have already been received. If you would like to nominate your service crew or someone else's, we would like to hear your story.

Post Monte Prize-giving and Dinner



Thanks once more to Jonathan Lord for arranging the use of Glasgow Art Club for the Post Monte Dinner. The dinner will be held on Saturday 14 April 2018, 7.30pm for drinks reception, dinner at 8.00pm. Tickets costing £30 can be obtained from Janet Telfer janet.telfer@outlook.com The dress code this year is lounge suit, shirt and tie/black tie optional. All crews, family and friends, and anyone interested in the Monte are welcome to attend.

New for this year will be a screening of Alistair Miller's video of the 2018 Monte Start along with other video footage from earlier years. Many thanks to Janet for making the arrangements. The Monte Start Committee are looking forward to seeing you all there.



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