

Timetable of the 39th Rally Bohemia has been published

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Stop to all speculations, the timetable of the 39th Rally Bohemia has been published couple of days ago and contains really wonderful special stages.

The Rally Bohemia traditionally belongs among competitions in the Czech Republic having the most technically demanding special stages. At least that has been said by participating crews. In the foothills of Jizera Mountains, Bohemian Paradise, in Liberec and Jablonec Regions, there is such characteristic landscape containing many roads appropriate for the rally, but it's not as easy to bring rally there. The organizers of the 39th Rally Bohemia has selected this year mostly the best they could from what is available for holding the rally. In the timetable of the competition we can find names of special stages such as Návarov, Šumburk, Chloudov, but also Smržovka and more. The first two however, comparing to the last year, has been changed the most, becoming even more demanding. There are really beautiful special stages waiting for participants of the 39th Rally Bohemia out there having no standard obstacle for decreasing the momentary speed.

The track is divided into two legs put together being similarly demanding. The ceremonial start of the 39th Rally Bohemia begins on Friday evening 13th July 2012. But the first sound of racing engines can be heard near Mladá Boleslav even earlier, more specifically during morning hours between Březina and Dneboh villages on shakedown. This testing special stage takes place only 2 kilometres away from the Service Park in Hořkovice Airport. It is a great opportunity for crews to test the functionality and set-up of chassis of their cars.

Being said the first special stage of the 39th Rally Bohemia called Chloudov starts off on Saturday 14th July at 8:39. It will be followed by the longest one, Sychrov, then Dneboh and Vinec. The first leg of the Rally Bohemia concludes by the super special stage in Global Assistance Racing Arena in Sosnová near Česká Lípa, where spectators can watch fights of cars on the attractive parallel special stage, also containing newly built jumps just in front of dedans. This is also the place, where there will be the last chance to behold on legendary rally cars in action. The Historic Show takes place only during the first leg of the rally.

The second leg starts off by race in stage called Návarov, later on in Šumburk and Smržovka. The 39th Rally Bohemia race will be concluded in Mladá Boleslav by a city special stage, which has returned back to its almost original shape, as remembered by spectators three years ago. For this year's Rally Bohemia it is worth planning fewer transfers among special stages, to stay on a single place longer and wait for multiple passages of cars. The timetable is constituted to contain as shorter idle times as possible.

Petr Pavlát, the Tracks Officer of the 39th Rally Bohemia: **“Around Železný Brod city there is a lot of beautiful roads suitable for special stages. We are trying every year to modify a part of special stages to create the track different and interesting enough. First time this year we have achieved to bring the track into the Jizera Mountains Natural Reservation even at the cost of no spectators’ places there. Other factors for special stages selection are the replies from town and villages, through which the rally goes. Motorsport isn’t always welcomed with arms wide open. This year’s schedule is also constituted according to expected high number of participating crews. The European Rally Cup starts on Saturday followed by DRS German Championship and the last but not least the Historic Show. There will drive ex-competitive cars worth waiting for specifically because of being led by icons such as Jimmy McRae and Harald Demuth. On Sunday this historical racing will be replaced by a cup named OPEN, in which also the crews driving in WRC cars can participate (old as well as new ones). I believe that this way we have lined up one of the most interesting anniversaries of the Rally Bohemia and that every rallysport fan enjoys it during 13th – 15th July 2012 as much as possible.”**

The traditional general partner of the Rally Bohemia is the Škoda Auto car factory, which provides a representative background and makes it possible for the Motorsport Team to start in their Škoda Fabia S2000 cars.

More information about the 39th Rally Bohemia can be found at www.rallybohemia.cz.

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