

Emotional goodbye by Marc Colomer at the Trial Indoor de Ciutat de Girona

ADAM RAGA (GAS GAS) GRABS THE WIN AND THE LEAD

Girona, 1 November 2004.– Right after Alcañiz, where he sentenced the outdoor Spanish Trial Championship with a strong win, Adam Raga and his GAS GAS TXT 300 had an excellent display again, this time before the Catalan public that packed the Fontajau sports arena to witness the eighth valid round of the Spanish indoor series.

Raga's performance was very much applauded, and in the first lap he was already far ahead of the competence. Adam, Marc Freixa and Jeroni Fajardo managed to get to the final and finished in this order. Fajardo also had a good trial; two days before, in Reims, France, he had won an exhibition trial before Graham Jarvis and Adam Raga, and this gave him much confidence for this indoor. After the Girona win, and with two events to the end of the series, Raga is in the lead with a 6-point advantage over Albert Cabestany and 32 ahead of Marc Freixa. Fajardo is sixth, right behind Marc Colomer.

In fact, and despite Raga's enormous success, all the looks were on Marc Colomer yesterday. The GAS GAS rider was saying goodbye to professional trial riding in the home event of the series. The 1996 outdoor World Trial Champion and three-time World Indoor Trial Champion Colomer, who managed to finish just in the fifth place, was the protagonist of an emotional homage. After the presentation of the riders entering the event, a spotlight lit the former champion, who was called on stage, where he could contemplate his complete sports life in pictures on a giant screen. After this special memory, a representative of each and every one of the manufacturers he has competed for presented him with a small trophy, and did so accompanied by a boy dressed like Colomer had dressed in each one of the periods (KM2, Beta, Montesa and finally GAS GAS). Narcís Casas, as a representative of the manufacturer where Colomer will continue to be in contact with trial through the GAS GAS School of Champions as Jeroni Fajardo's mentor and, at the same time, as an exceptional test rider of the manufacturer's products, thanked him and recognised his successful history, offering him a souvenir on behalf of all the GAS GAS team. The rider thoroughly thanked all the people for their support.

During the break, Julien Dupont performed his extreme acrobatics on his TXT 280, and left the public breathless with his famous back flip. The next round of the Spanish indoor trial series will be in Castellón on Friday, 12 November.

Final standings of the Trial de Indoor Ciutat de Girona

1- Adam Raga (E/GAS GAS)	13 points
2- Marc Freixa (E/Montesa)	22 points
3- Jeroni Fajardo (E/GAS GAS)	25 points

Spanish Indoor Trial Championship after Girona

1- Adam Raga (E/GAS GAS)	142 points
2- Albert Cabestany (E/Beta)	136 points
3- Marc Freixa (E/Montesa)	110 points
4- Toni Bou (E/Beta)	93 points
5- Marc Colomer (E/GAS GAS)	88 points
6- Jeroni Fajardo (E/GAS GAS)	79 points

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