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The three-time World Champion is the main favourite for the title

Indoor Trial World Championship: First challenge for Adam Raga and GAS GAS in 2006

Salt, Girona, 4 January 2006.- After closing a historical 2005 season when he won all the championships he had entered, the GAS GAS trial rider Adam Raga is starting the 2006 season with the sole target to keep his privileged and well-deserved status as the best indoor trial rider in the world. With that aim in mind, and with hardly any time to take a break, the Ulldecona rider, at the commands of his GG TXT 300, will enter the first round of the Indoor Trial World Championship, his first great objective of the year to be held in Sheffield, Great Britain, on 7 January. Jeroni Fajardo (GG TXT 280), another of the young espoirs produced by the GAS GAS School of Champions, will be the second spearhead of the manufacturer in a championship where he already proved to be at a high level by finishing third in the overall standings and winning the Buenos Aires event.

Figures are clear and, with the results achieved in recent campaigns, Adam Raga is the favourite for the world indoor crown in 2006. His three titles achieved in 2003, 2004 and 2005 make his domination clear before his rivals, who will start the season with the target to beat Raga. The first of his ten wins last year came precisely in Sheffield, which has been chosen to open the 2006 indoor championship again. On that occasion, Adam Raga showed his habitual composure and trust in his own possibilities, beating Albert Cabestany and Takahisa Fujinami in the final before the over 8500 spectators who filled the Sheffield Hallam FM Arena.

With his eight titles in 2005 in his pocket and his tremendous will to keep on with his winning line, Adam Raga is in the fittest possible shape in his assault to what would become, should he win it, his fourth world indoor title. Raga comments that "I only think about winning. I am 100% ready and willing to do my best from the very start, although it won't be easy at all to win the championship, because the indoor championship is harder and more competed every year. My rivals are very strong and I am aware that competition will be very hard. In any case, I must only worry about my performance and try, from the very first event, to climb onto the top step of the rostrum as often as possible."

Adam continues: "Regarding the bike, the GG TXT 300 presents some improvements in frame, shock absorbers, engine, etc that make it even more competitive. The Spanish Indoor Trial Championship has also helped us fine-tune our bike with the world championship in sight. This year there are three rounds in Spain, which makes me very happy because we will have the support of the fans. My target for 2006 is to try and repeat what we did in 2005 and enter the history of trial, always with the same idea: to enjoy myself and win."

On his part, César Carmona, team manager, adds that "with Adam Raga we are clearly aiming at the fourth head-to-head championship, while with Jeroni Fajardo we want to continue

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with the good line he started in 2005, when he finished third. Finishing in the podium places and achieving some wins is Jeroni's target. It would be great to finish the World Championship with Adam-Jeroni one-two at the top of the ranks." The 2006 Indoor Trial World Championship counts on eleven rounds, and three of them will be held on Spanish ground: Granada, Barcelona and Madrid.

2006 Indoor Trial World Championship calendar

7/1/06	Sheffield (Great Britain)
13/1/06	Marseille (France)
22/1/06	Granada (Spain)
29/1/06	Milan (Italy)
5/2/06	Barcelona (Spain)
11/2/06	Belfast (Ireland)
18/2/06	Saint Petersburg (Russia)
25/2/06	Lisbon (Portugal)
4/3/06	Sao Paulo (Brazil)
11/3/06	Buenos Aires (Argentina)
18/3/06	Madrid (Spain)

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