

HOW THE MOTOGIRO D'ITALIA WAS BORN AND WHAT IT IS

In 1914 the first motorcycle tour of the Italian Peninsula was organized by the Milanese Sports Union and the Gazzetta dello Sport, called the "Circuit of Italy" and won by Oreste Malvisi riding an Ariel. The race, of an international nature, took place in 4 stages and registered the participation of 56 competitors, of whom only 18 reached the finish line. To justify such a massacre of runners, in addition to the intuitive fragility of the mechanical means and the state of the road network, the chronicles of the time tell of the misunderstood sporting sense of some fans who tried to favor their favorites by throwing handfuls of nails at the passage of the opponents. The surviving cars were triumphantly exhibited at the 1st Motorcycle Show in Milan.

The event had an extraordinary public success for all 2.400 km of the route, but the outbreak of the First World War prevented its repetition in the following years.

In order not to go too far, with the First World War the demonstration was suspended and then resumed in 1923, 25, 26 and 31 (this last edition was carried out with the regularity formula and did not have a great success). In the 1950s the journalists Deo Ceccarelli and Aldo Bolognini of "Stadio", talking to each other in reaching the editorial staff of the newspaper, said "but why not organize a Motorcycle Tour of Italy?". As far back as 1901, the "Giro d'Italia" took place when the term automobiles defined all motor vehicles. The two journalists contacted the management of "Stadio" and the motorcycle club associated with the Italian Motorcycle Federation "Stadio", which in turn made agreements with F.M.I.; thus the first edition of the Motogiro d'Italia was "launched" under the auspices of F.M.I. and with the regular and continuous presence over the years of its commissioners and with the particular regulation produced and approved by the same.

The collaboration between the F.M.I., the motorcycle club "Stadio" and the newspaper "Stadio" continued over the years until arriving at the tragic accident of the Marquis De Portago at the "Mille Miglia" of 1957, which had the consequence from that moment on, of prohibit all speed races on roads open to traffic. We arrive in the 1960s, and in 1967, 68, 69, the F.M.I. returns to organize the Motogiro d'Italia, but this time with the formula of regularity and with tests of speed skills on roads closed to traffic or circuits.

In those years the participation was open to motorcycles, scooters, sidecars in the various displacements.

We come to times closer to us: in 1988 during a meeting at the headquarters of the Terni Motorcycle Club "Libero Liberati", which was attended by Paolo Rossi (President), Massimo Mansueti (Vice President) and Laura Cosimetti (secretary), Paolo said "Why not do we organize the Historical Reenactment of the Motogiro d'Italia?". And immediately the others "why not", said fact; forwarded the request to the F.M.I. and approved by the same the event and the regulation, after a presentation to the press, from 19 to 23 June 1989 the First Historical Commemoration of the Motogiro D'Italia started with departure and arrival in Bologna touching most of the places and along the streets of the Motogiri d'Italia of the 1950s. Since then the F.M.I. has continuously renewed the concession to the Motoclub Terni "L. Liberati - P. Pileri" to organize the Motogiro d'Italia, rewarding the passion and efforts that have been made to make it an international event.

Today the Motogiro is open to all types of motorcycles, vintage and modern; it's a regularity race divided into six stages with skill tests and time checks along the way, in which those who participate can experience the thrill of the competition by challenging the time trial and comparing themselves with the other participants. But it is also a different way to visit our country, admiring breathtaking landscapes, discovering small jewels and hidden corners of our beautiful Italy, and tasting local specialties of the areas you cross.

All in maximum safety, boasting an organization composed of about 50 people, the escort of 4 patrols of Carabinieri motorcyclists, a level of medical assistance consisting of 6 operators, 2 crews of mechanics, and coordination with local administrations and the competent authorities.

Offer for participation in the Motogiro d'Italia reserved for DOC members

	STANDARD RATE	DISCOUNT	RESERVED RATE
RIDER CATEGORIES WITH CLASSIFICATION	€ 1.800	20%	€ 1.440
RIDER TOURIST CATEGORY	€ 1.600	20%	€ 1.280
PASSENGER	€ 1.300	10%	€ 1.170
ASSISTANT/MECHANIC FOLLOWING WITH OWN VEHICLE	€ 1.100	10%	€ 990

The above rates **INCLUDE** the overnight stay of 23 May, which in the standard registration is considered as an extra at a cost of € 70.00.

Any extras (such as a single room or overnight stays before and after the event) and the compulsory Italian Motorcycle Federation card for participation for insurance reasons (if the participant is not already in possession of it), will be added to the final balance and counted separately.

It's also possible to register for the Short Raid and participate in three of the six stages.

If you choose to take part in the first three stages, the appointment is on May 17th in Villafranca di Verona, so as to carry out the preliminary operations and take part in the technical briefing (times and places to be defined) to be ready for departure on the morning of 18th May and arrive in Trento on 20 May.

In the event that you choose to participate in the last three stages, the appointment is on May 20 in Trento, so as to carry out the Preliminary Operations and take part in the technical Briefing (times and places to be defined) to be ready for departure on the morning of 21st May and arrive in Villafranca di Verona on 23 May. Short Raid members will only be admitted to the daily ranking, not to the final ranking. The registration price for the Short Raid includes three stages, four nights, four dinners and three breakfasts, and is 50% of the discounted prices shown above, as shown in the table below

	COMPLETE REGISTRATION	DISCOUNT	RESERVED RATE	SHORT RAID
RIDER CATEGORIES WITH CLASSIFICATION	€ 1.800	20%	€ 1.440	€ 720
RIDER TOURIST CATEGORY	€ 1.600	20%	€ 1.280	€ 640
PASSENGER	€ 1.300	10%	€ 1.170	€ 585
ASSISTANT/MECHANIC FOLLOWING WITH OWN VEHICLE	€ 1.100	10%	€ 990	€ 495

To register, you must complete the paper forms that can be downloaded from the website www.motogiroitalia.it; under registration, complete it in its entirety and send it by e-mail to the addresses: info@motogiroitalia.it or mamomansueti@hotmail.it, indicating in the transmission email "**Discount for DOC Members**".

The registration fee includes:

- half-board overnight stays based on the type of registration chosen ("Full" or "Short Raid");
- the various refreshment points along the way;
- medical assistance (consisting of 6 operators located along the caravan);
- mechanical assistance (consisting of 2 crews with mobile workshops and driver recovery minibuses);
- the luggage logistics service (we will transfer them from one hotel to another);
- the "race kit", consisting of: stickers to be affixed to the motorcycle, road-book, identification labels for luggage, gadgets;
- a souvenir-gift;
- the video that will be produced with the images shot during the event.

For further requests for information you can write to info@motogiroitalia.it or to mamomansueti@hotmail.it, or you can visit the website www.motogiroitalia.it.