

team
DESSOUDE



PRESS INFO - DAKAR 2015

Leg 1 : Buenos Aires - Villa Carlos Paz (01/04/2015)

Liaison: 144 km - SS: 170 km - Liaison: 519 km

Good warm-up for Team DESSOUDE



The stage of the day was relatively short, 170 km, but the leg was particularly long with nearly 700 km of liaison in total to join Villa Carlos Paz. The crews of the DESSOUDE team negotiated with caution this first run on the Argentine tracks. The three cars have reached the finish without any mechanical problem while maintaining a good pace.

But a little scary moment early in the stage for Thierry Magnaldi, Guy Leneveu and their Buggy Juke who spun around fortunately without any consequence. Just

time to get back in the right direction of the track and to refocus on the goal of the day, trying to keep the starting position, or even better improve it to anticipate tomorrow's special stage, the longest of the rally with 518 km. The dust will be a big handicap on such a stage where being positioned in the Top 30 will be more "comfortable". Indeed, the first 10 cars of today's special stage will start tomorrow every 3 minutes, and then the following 20 cars every two minutes. For the rest of the competitors, the gap will be 30 seconds between each car ...

But tonight Thierry Magnaldi reached his goal by signing the 28th time with the # 328.



The two Chinese crews for their first special stage on the Dakar have immediately understood the challenge of this first day. For their first participation, they did not get a "small" race number and Zhong Lei and Liu Kun had to fight to achieve a good time. Performance of the day for Liu Kun by earning 20 positions (73rd overall), while Zhong Lei finished 67th.

Due to the long liaison, the rally caravan will join later this evening the bivouac of Villa Carlos Paz. But the night will be short for mechanics who will proceed to a big review on cars in anticipation of the long special stage of tomorrow.



Tomorrow, the rally will be heading for San Juan, a city which already welcomed the Dakar. It will be only the second special stage but already the longest of the rally with 518 km. The progression is rather fast and woe to those who do not follow the pace. The terrain will be varied with a leitmotif, dust, before finishing on a sandy track. Crews shall in no case be relaxed on such a special stage. Welcome to the Dakar!



Leg 1 : Buenos Aires - Villa Carlos Paz



CLASSEMENT ETAPE LEG CLASSIFICATION

CLIQUEZ ICI / CLICK HERE

CLASSEMENT GENERAL OVERALL CLASSIFICATION

CLIQUEZ ICI / CLICK HERE

Team DESSOUE CREWS

#328 Thierry MAGNALDI (FRA) - Guy LENEVEU (FRA) - Buggy Juke

#363 ZHONG LEI (CHN) - MA MIAO (CHN) - Proto Dessoude 05

#393 LIU KUN (CHN) - LIAO MIN (CHN)- Proto Dessoude 05

Photos @ DPPI/G.Deshayes

CONTACTS

André DESSOUE

Géraldine DESHAYES

Tel : + 33 2.33.75.66.73

Fax : + 33 2.33.75.66.69

Mobile: + 33 6 08 31 41 79

Email: geraldinedeshayes@wanadoo.fr

Race Com - Presse / Press - Email : race.com@wanadoo.fr

Informations et Photos libres de droits sur / Information and pictures copyright free (for the press only) on :

www.teamdessoude.com

