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AT RALLYLEGEND 2017 AN EPOCHAL EVENT: FIFTEEN RALLY WORLD CHAMPIONS, FROM 1977 TO TODAY, PRESENT IN SAN MARINO FOR THE "COLIN MC RAE TRIBUTE".

**Almost the entire World Rally Hall of Fame, from birth to today,
gathers for the tribute to the great Scottish driver, ten years after his death**

Republic of San Marino. All together, at Rallylegend next October 21st and 22nd: **Walter Rohrl, Ari Vatanen, Hannu Mikkola, Stig Blomqvist, Timo Salonen, Juha Kankkunen, Miki Biasion, Didier Auriol, Tommi Makinen, Marcus Gronholm, Petter Solberg, Sebastien Loeb and Sebastien Ogier**, with **Sandro Munari** and **Markku Alen**, winners of the FIA Driver Cups 1977 and 1978, that later became the World Rally Drivers since 1979.

Fifteen World Rally Champions, for a total of **thirty-four world drivers titles** - almost all the history of the World Championship series - will gather in the Republic of San Marino - for two days World Rally Capital - for the "**Colin Mc Rae Tribute**", Rallylegend's tribute to the memory of the great Scottish champion, ten years after his premature and tragic disappearance. For Colin Mc Rae, at Rallylegend there will also be **Derek Ringer**, the co-driver with whom the late Scottish driver won the World Championship title in 1995, and **Nicky Grist**, another important co-driver for him; while two other World Champion co-drivers, **Hans Thorszelius** and **Robert Reid**, will be present at San Marino to bring their memory of two champions who are no longer among us, such as Bjorn Waldegaard and Richard Burns.

An epochal event, a "reunion" so far never seen, the dream of all fans: having so many legendary champions, all together, for two days.

"*We wanted to remember Colin Mc Rae and give him a big tribute,*" says an almost unbelieving, but happy, Vito Piarulli, General Manager of Rallylegend - *and when, talking to Luis Moya, we had, almost at the same time, this idea we liked it right away . So joined the efforts we succeeded. "* Luis Moya, passionate Rallylegend "ambassador" in the world champion rally "Circus", confirms: "*I immediately activated the World Rally "club", where I have many friends, and the acceptance of the champions I contacted was immediate and warm. It will truly be a unique event. "*

"CHAMPIONS FOR A CHAMPION": WORLD CHAMPIONS PARADE WITH THEIR WINNING CARS

And the best has yet to come. After the press conference on Saturday, October 21st, in the presence of all the World Champions, available for the media and the public, the next day, Sunday 22nd there will be a Parade during the special stage "The Legend" of all these legendary aces, each one aboard the car he drove to the world title, as a "rumbling" tribute to Colin Mc Rae. It will be a unique and unforgettable entertainment, a moment that will remain indelible in the viewer's memory. An event to which, once again, you can attend only at Rallylegend. "*As always and more than ever,*" says **Paolo Valli**, FAMS President, the San Marino Auto Motor Federation - *Rallylegend shows a great liveliness of ideas and initiatives. Having this year all these great champions in San Marino is undoubtedly an exceptional exclusivity. It will give further glory to a world-class event".*

RALLYLEGEND REMEMBERS COLIN MC RAE WITH "COLIN'S PARADE"

Another unmissable moment will be that, on Sunday, October 22nd, where Rallylegend will remember Colin Mc Rae on the classic special stage "The Legend", with an exciting parade of all



the cars driven by the Scottish champion in the various World Rally Championships. The Parade will be opened by **Alister Mc Rae**, also a rally driver and brother of the unforgettable Colin, with **Derek Ringer** as co-driver.

Colin Mc Rae, who died at the age of 39, in September 2007, in an incident with his helicopter, raced 146 times in the Rally World Championship, winning 25 titles and the **World Rally Champion title in 1995** with Subaru Impreza 555 and second place in 1996, 1997 and 2001.

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