

Raid in France 2012 Raid Adventure World Championship : Day - 10

In a few days time, the «kick off» of the final of the world championship raid adventure will take place at L'Argentière-la-Bessée in the Hautes-Alpes region.

This coming Friday, 14th September 2012, the 65 international teams (representing 30 nations) participating in this exceptional edition of Raid in France, will take the start line for a journey of 6 to 8 days between l'Argentière-la-Bessée and Roquebrune-Cap Martin. Amongst the participating teams, one will find the leaders of the world circuit: the french-swedish team Thule, world champion, the New Zealand team Seagate and also the french team Quechua, three times winner of Raid in France.

Almost 300 high level athletes will participate, from the 14t^h to 22nd of September, in this human and sportive expedition made up of 520 kms and a 20 000 m climb in an alpine decor which is both technical and demanding (the «massifs of Ecrins, Queyras, Mercantour»...). More than half of the route will take place above 2 000 m in altitude within amazing scenery which each team, made up of 4 racers with atleast 1 female, will discover, day and night, during sections of biking, trek, canoeing, canyoning, rafting...

live.raidinfrance.com. The progression of each team, section by section, can be followed live on the live site <u>www.live.raidinfrance.com</u> as from the start on Saturday 15th September. A site which will be given up to date information from the 4 on the spot reporters, at different points along the route. Images and videos will be posted on the site each day. And TV will be able to download some images on a special server.

The race programm. Those journalists wishing to assist at one of the following events and follow the race on the terrain, can send to us the press accreditation, which can be downloaded on the site www. raidinfrance.com, rubric Press.

Thursday 13th September 2012 / 17h00 to 18h30 General breifing, presenting the race, at the town hall of l'Argentière-la-Bessée / 18h30 to 20h00 Opening ceremony of the ARWC 2012 - Raid in France. Friday 14th September 2012 / 10h30 Breifing for the media at the gymnasium at l'Argentière-la-Bessée / 17h00 to 17h30 Team parade in the village / 17h30 to 18h30 Prologue at l'Argentière-la-Bessée. Saturday 15th September 2012 / 6h00 Start of the race.

Saturday 22nd September 2012 / 14h00 Arrival of the last teams in Roquebrune-Cap-Martin / As from 19h00 Prize giving, aperitif (20h00), gala dinner from 21h to 1h00 (racers, volunteers, partners...).

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