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Coppa Milano-Sanremo 2004 - the latest news

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This year's Coppa Milano-Sanremo Revival, to be run on March 12-14, has already attracted applications from over 150 cars from all over Europe. Among the various museums that will be involved in this motoring event (organized jointly by MAC Events and Meet Comunicazione, and supported by the Automobile Club of Milan), the celebrated Alfa Romeo Museum in Arese will be contributing cars that were displayed last year on stands in Milan, Genoa and San Remo.



This year, however, they will be seen in action on the roads that lead from these cities. Outstanding among them will be the unique **1938 Alfa Romeo 2900 B Speciale Le Mans** and **1954 Alfa Romeo 1900 Sport**. Also attracting admiring glances along the route will be another **Alfa Romeo: the 6C 1750 SS**, the one-off example in which Felice Bianchi Anderloni - founder of Carrozzeria Touring Superleggera - won the Coppa Milano-Sanremo in 1931. Authentic jewels on four wheels, these are the cars that wrote significant pages of Italian automotive history, on the race track and on the road.



In a few days' time, they will be joining the other splendid classic cars expertly selected by the organizing committee, and will be delighting the public at an event that has developed into the first major date of the classic car season. Proceedings will start with scrutineering scheduled for Friday March 12 at the Monza National motor racing circuit, which has been made available by the Automobile Club of Milan. The cars will then do several laps on the Monza track before driving off for their "fashion show" appearance in Milan's Piazza Duomo.



On Saturday they will all be back in Piazza Duomo for the start of their drive to Genoa, via Vigevano, Novi Ligure, Gavi and the Passo della Bocchetta. Having arrived in Genoa's Old Port they will then parade through the streets of the old city. On the way, the cavalcade will stop for lunch in the evocative surroundings of the Villa Sparina winery in the Gavese countryside.



On Sunday, the cars will leave from Corso Italia on the Genoa sea-front on the drive that will take them through the Turchino and Faiallo Passes to Savona where they will stop for lunch in the spectacular Priamar Fortress, now exquisitely restored and used for prestigious exhibitions. After lunch, the final trial will be staged in Imperia's historic city centre, and the three-day event will come to an end in the late afternoon on the sea-front in San Remo.



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