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Trofeo Maserati 2010: Action at Monza

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The first round of the new Trofeo Maserati GranTurismo took place at Monza last weekend, with ex-F1 pilot Ivan Capelli scooping pole position for both of the weekend's two races. Although Capelli could not score points, as he was participating as a VIP guest of Maserati, he was first across the line in the opening race, with Stefano Rota 2.8 seconds behind.

The second race, however, proved less successful for **Capelli**, who was attempting to pass **Rota** when there was contact between the two cars. **Capelli** was forced off the track, while **Rota** lost a few positions but recovered brilliantly, to reach the chequered flag in fourth place. This time the race was won by **Peter Sundberg**, with second-placed **Manuel Villa** just 0.095 seconds behind.

These results put **Stefano Rota** at the top of the points table after the first round of the series, in which 21 teams were lined up on the grid – at the wheel of 14 **GranTurismo MC Trofeos** (run by **Maserati Corse**) and seven **GranTurismo MC GT4s** in a separate class.

2010 Trofeo Maserati GranTurismo Race Calendar

- 23 May, Monza, Italy
- 20 June, Zolder, Belgium
- 18 July, Brands Hatch, UK
- 01 August, Brno, Czechoslovakia
- 05 September, Oschersleben, Germany
- 19 September, Valencia, Spain
- 10 October, Mugello, Italy

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