



## **The Legend Boucles @ Bastogne 2023 will take place on Friday 3, Saturday 4 and Sunday 5 February**

**A promise is a promise... After having made official a Classic 65 category - with compulsory roll bar - instead of the usual Classic 60, the Royal Automobile Club de Spa, organisers of the Legend Boucles @ Bastogne, have now confirmed the dates of the 2023 edition. It will take place on Friday 3, Saturday 4 and Sunday 5 February, with a long-awaited return to the Place McAuliffe...**

*"The negotiations did not last long, as the first weekend of February appeared to be the ideal date for the Legend Boucles @ Bastogne 2023, comments Pierre Delettre on behalf of R.A.C. Spa. There is no direct competition with other major historical events, nor with a round of the World Rally Championship. This will increase the probability of gathering the most attractive line-up possible. The first contacts are already underway, and one or other piece of good news will no doubt be announced during our traditional autumn press conference, which each year allows us to set the scene, to take stock of the new features, but also to honour a town or a city hosting the event on its territory. So all the lights are on..."*

For this 2023 edition, the Legend Boucles @ Bastogne will return to the traditional decorum of the Place McAuliffe, in the heart of the city. And the objective is obviously to renew the popular celebrations of Friday, with the parade of all the cars at the start in the main street of Bastogne.

The change from the Classic 60 to the Classic 65 category, with a higher average speed and increased safety precautions (compulsory roll bar) was very well received by the competitors and the observers. Let's remember that a technical pre-test will be organised during the Racing Festival, another organisation of the Royal Automobile Club de Spa, on the weekend of 15 and 16 October at the Circuit de Spa-Francorchamps. More information will follow.

For those who wish to compete in the Legend Boucles @ Bastogne 2023 with a car very close to the series, let's specify once again that the Classic 50 category, which focuses on regularity at an average speed of 50 km/h... maximum, does not imply the compulsory presence of a roll bar. Even if it remains recommended...

In the meantime, let's wait until the first weekend of February in 2023 to know the name of Stéphane Lefebvre's successor in the prize list of the winter classic held in the heart of the province of Luxembourg.

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