





## 100 years of Motorcycle Sport in Scotland 100 years of ISDE

## **The Prologue**

The team arrived in Olbia in north east Sardinia after a long drive down by truck – only a blow out on the way causing any major problems. They quickly set up on the harbour side alongside the rest of the UK contingent. British Trophy and Junior teams, English and Welsh teams.

Friday was spent prepping the bikes before putting them in to the Parc Ferme. The bikes and riders looking very professional with matching team bike graphics and matching race shirts. A BIG thank you to Wulfsport for their very rapid production of the shirts at the last minute as the original supplier fell through.



Once the bikes were booked in and passed scrutineering then preparation for time checks and daily tyre changes was underway. The British support crew as well organised as usual and all our riders well taken care of. It is always a big effort looking after all the British riders but the crew are a well oiled machine.

Ricky Mair rider number 700 Neil Chatham 800 and Frazer Norrie 900.

Saturday was taken up with walking a couple of tests – these are fairly similar – hard packed – dry and rocky. A lot of dust is likely as well. No bogs here – but rain forecast for Sunday would be welcome.

Then the team and helpers gathered for the Opening Ceremony – with the Scots as usual making a big impact in their kilts. Team shirts and flags finished off the look – with the riders being photographed with everyone – including the local Police – who seemed very happy to see the team. Hope that lasts for the week



As usual there were some unforgettable moments – at least the Sardinians will not forget the team Ricky as showed them a few Scots secrets – to a very loud cheer from the crowd. Just as well there was no wind blowing.

On Sunday the team checked out the final MX track – still under constuction – but lots of air time guaranteed. The support crew had fun following the SAT NAV – with 1"clearance under a bridge making the driver – Campbell - a bit nervous. No race trucks down that road.

The team is relexad and really looking like a team – this is their  $2^{nd}$  ISDE together – heres hoping we have some luck in the  $100^{th}$  year of the ISDE and the  $100^{th}$  year of the SACU

GO TEAM SCOTLAND!



LOOKING GOOD – HERE'S HOPING FOR A GREAT WEEK

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