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Since 2004, Classic Endurance Racing organises races for the cars which wrote endurance racing history. Run within the Le Mans Series calendar, the C.E.R enhances these 3-day meetings dedicated to endurance motor racing.

Six seasons, and the Classic Endurance Racing's drivers never missed the Spa Francorchamps round and its mythical track. With 55 cars entered this year, the series shows an unflinching success! Besides, Classic Endurance Racing is in keeping with the Le Mans Classic's logic. Let's remind that this major event will take place on 2010 July 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> on the Le Mans big circuit. CER figures the best « test bed » of what is today acknowledged as one of the biggest historical race of the world.

Regulation highlights:

**ELIGIBILITY PERIOD FROM 1966 TO 1979**

Classic Endurance Racing selection is the same as the one of the Le Mans Classic grid 5 (1966-1972) and 6 (1973-1979). The serie echoes the most famous endurance race, the 24 Hours of Le Mans, but also the World Sportscar Championship which had seen its pinnacle during sixties and seventies with the renowned "1000 kilometers" of Spa or Nürburgring... That revives today with the Le Mans Series meetings. We've come full circle!

**CLASSIC ENDURANCE RACING IS AN OFFICIAL QUALIFYING STEP FOR THE LE MANS CLASSIC 2010.**

Actually for each category (1966 to 1972 and 1973 to 1979), 6 cars will get an automatic qualification for the Le Mans Classic 2010. In each class three GT's and three Prototypes will be officially accepted to what is considered as one of the greatest historical race in the world.

After the Barcelona round at the beginning of April, which saw the Jean-Marc Luco's victory on its Porsche 936, in front of Michel Quiniou and Olivier Cazalières, respectively on a Lola T280 and a Lola T298, the competitors will have to reveal their talent on a much more technical racetrack. For the show, the cars lovers can count on the Paul Knapfield's Ferrari 712 (1972) or the Yvan Mahé's Porsche 935 « Moby Dick » (1978), who will do everything to make up their unfortunate race in Catalunya in front of the Lolas and Chevrons, the regulars of the series.

Before to discover the brand new Algarve circuit in the South of Portugal at the end of July, no doubt the Spa Francorchamps will be THE turning point of the season with some leading positions which fan the flames of a lot of minds...

**Classic Endurance Racing digest...**

**Prototypes, GT's and Touring cars which competed in the major endurance races**

- <sup>1</sup> Prototypes : 1966 to 1979
- <sup>1</sup> GT and Touring cars : 1966 to 1979






**Competition : The length of the races is a perfect balance between competition and**

- <sup>1</sup> Practice 30 minutes free practice.  
2 x 30 minutes qualifying sessions.
- <sup>1</sup> Race 1 hour with a mandatory pit-stop.
- <sup>1</sup> Drivers 1 or 2 – International FIA Competition licence.

**Le Mans Classic qualification:**

- <sup>1</sup> 6 cars for the 1966 – 1972 grid: 3 Prototypes / 3 GT and Touring cars.
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<b>2009 Calendar</b>		
3-4 / 04		1000 KM OF CATALUNYA (ESP)
8-9 / 05		1000 KM OF SPA (BEL)
31 /07 1 <sup>er</sup> /08		1000 KM OF THE ALGARVE (POR)
22-23 / 08		1000 KM OF THE NÜRBURGRING (DEU)
11-12 / 09		1000 KM OF SILVERSTONE(GBR)

## FLASH BACK on the 1000 Km of BARCELONA

	N°	Voiture/Car	Equipage/Drivers
<b>PROTO 1</b>			
1 <sup>er</sup>	27	Chevron B16	John Sheldon
2°	7	Lola T70 Mk IIIB	Pierre-Alain France
3°	56	Lola T70 Mk III	Marc Devis

	N°	Voiture/Car	Equipage/Drivers
<b>GT ET TOURISME LMC 1</b>			
1 <sup>er</sup>	88	Ferrari 275 GTB 4	Ian Gijzen
2°	51	De Tomaso Mangusta	Heiko Ostmann
3°	74	MG C	Jean-François Favre

	N°	Voiture/Car	Equipage/Drivers
<b>PROTO 2</b>			
1 <sup>er</sup>	1	Porsche 936	Jean-Marc Luco
2°	80	Lola T 280	Michel Quiniou
3°	30	Lola T 298	Olivier Cazalieres

	N°	Voiture/Car	Equipage/Drivers
<b>GT ET TOURISME 2</b>			
1 <sup>er</sup>	38	BMW M1	Sean Mcinerney/Michael Mcinerney
2°	81	BMW M1	Stanislas de Sadeleer/Christian Traber
3°	40	Porsche 911 RSR 2,8l	Bernard Moreau

	N°	Voiture/Car	Equipage/Drivers
<b>GROUPE 3</b>			
1 <sup>er</sup>	23	Porsche 911 RSR 3L	Charles Rupp/Sylvain Regnier