

A TRIBUTE

Beginning with, and in the name of the Organising Committee, I cannot but thank all those who backed us, be it physically or morally, our sponsors among many others and last but not least the Automobile and Touring Club of Lebanon. Regardless of all difficulties, complications and obstacles, they believed us, supported us and confided us in running the 30th Rally of Lebanon. "THANK YOU".

To all Officials "THANK YOU". To that Marshal, whom without we could not successfully run our event; I pay tribute and say "THANK YOU".

However, I would also like to thank all those who did not and/or had doubts; for giving us the momentum to fulfill the needs in running a unique and successful event; "THANK YOU".

The 30th Rally of Lebanon has added two milestones in its history. It was first time that it had been run in a rainy weather and the 2007 Middle East Rally Championship was decided because of it, where the winner, Nasser Saleh Al-Attiyah of Qatar, was crowned the Champion of the year, although he has not have the chance in winning it so far.

In its 31st edition, The Rally of Lebanon was planned with that same distinctive concept of the preceding event. The controversy between man and machine once again will show in 280kms of eighteen challenging special stages with slippery tarmac, of which two are new, and run over 950kms in two days, defies all kinds of rallying definitions.

The 31st Rally of Lebanon will commence with a ceremonial start that will be held on Friday June 27th 2008, at the Town hall Square; Jounieh.

Designed as a compact structured event with one Service Park in Jounieh and two Remote Service Zones located in Barbara and in Barouk, and altitudes varying between 52 and 1836 meters, makes the 31st Rally of Lebanon the longest and most demanding event in the Middle East Rally Championship. Yet, you cannot but fall in love with it as others did before.

Welcome all, push the envelope and enjoy the thrilling action.

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