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Monday, April 20 2009 - Scrutineering – Paris, Jardins des Tuileries

220 racing cars for an unforgettable Garden Party in the Tuileries

A first! The Tour Auto Optic 2000 competitors met in the heart of Paris, in the Tuileries Gardens for the traditional scrutineering and administrative checks. The sun was also present ... which bodes well for the race this coming week.

The public came in numbers around the Parc Fermé and were able to appreciate the quality of the grid. Not a missing car and some -good- last minute surprises such as the arrival of a Ferrari 250 GTO of impressive victories to its credit such as the Tour de France Automobile and Le Mans.

The AC Cobras, Lotus Elans and E type Jaguars took advantage of the day to do last minute adjustments before the 2000 kilometres awaiting them, starting with a warm up on the Montlhéry road track the next morning at 8am.

Beautiful car enthusiasts did not miss this appointment; more than 5000 people were present for the evening pre-race cocktail. An excellent opportunity to evoke other editions of the Tour Auto with drivers such as Bernard Consten, José Rosinski or Gérard Larrousse. Connoisseur and occasional driver, The First Minister, François Fillon was treated to a guided tour of the Parc Fermé.

Tuesday morning, sport will take over and the first classifications - competition and regularity are awaited after a full day with the special at Montlhéry and a visit to the Dijon-Prenois circuit. Gentleman, to your steering wheels and Beaune... for the first stage.



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