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GOOD TIME(S) FOR THE GT 40s

On Wednesday, after a first stop over in Beaune, the Tour Auto Optic 2000 competitors discovered the recent Bresse circuit, which measures over 3 kilometres and has a selective layout unanimously appreciated by the participating drivers. Many spectators were present for the Tour's first visit to the burgundy circuit and were delighted with the show given by the GT 40s, AC Cobras and other Porsche 904 GTs, all firmly determined to take the first place in the VHC classification. British Shaun Lynn's GT 40 which missed victory by a very short length during the Tour Auto 2008, won this time in front of a colleague, belonging to Pierre Alain France.

Masterpiece of the Century of Light, the Saline d'Arc and Senans welcomed other masterpieces, this time from the 20th Century... for lunch. The Tour Auto Optic 2000 stopped in this breathtaking scenery before the two afternoon special stages, in Val de Cusance and the Montbéliard Area. During the first one, Ludovic Caron's AC Cobra, title holder, took the advantage over the GT 40s, decidedly in good shape. Shaun Lynn made the best time in the second special stage. The Porsche 904GTs – only 4 cylinders but what genius! – of the Miloe/Miloe and Marc Duez/Jacques Castelein crews invited themselves amongst these battles of the "heavies" with regular 3rd places in the different specials – on road and on circuit.

At the end of this sunny day, the 220 crews met in Mulhouse, second stage of the Tour Auto Optic 2000; and were offered the opportunity of a pilgrimage during dinner in the "Cité de l'Automobile" which houses the famous Schlumpf Collection.



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