



## WEATHER CONDITIONS COMPLICATED ON DAY 1 OF COMPETITION IN LA CARRERA PANAMERICANA

VERACRUZ, OCTOBER 16.- The first challenges came fast for the participants of La Carrera Panamericana in its 33rd Edition. The climate of the Oaxacan mountain range is always one of the factors that usually complicates the performance for teams and this year, rain and intense mist, set the tone for almost the all-day competition.

Oaxaca Las Animas, Ixtlán, Puerta del Sol and La Esperanza, completed 99.59 kilometers of competition.

The stretches with slippery ground that modified the team's strategy from one moment to the next required the skill of the navigator in the note and the pilot, by following his instinct not to get out of the road.

On the stopwatch, the morning stages were dominated by the Studebakers, highlighting the start of the fight for the thousandths of a second between "El Malditillo" (#139) and "El Commander" (#115), being the car of Ricardo Cordero and Marco Hernández, who officially arrived in Boca del Río with the overall advantage for 40 seconds, followed by Gabriel Pérez and Angélica Fuentes, (#122).

On the other hand, the pilot of the MiniPanam Challenge category, Benito Guerra Jr., had a complicated start, in which little could he do to reduce the times in each section, since this morning's failure detection in the accelerator of the 501 car that will be repaired tonight.

His father, Benito Guerra Sr., in the production tourism category, in the stages in the Sierra de Oaxaca, also had a mechanical failure, as he broke the suspension arm of his Studebaker. Guerra Sr. will continue his participation tomorrow.

Another mishap without consequences was that of Miguel Medina, who yesterday won the best time in qualifying with his Porsche 911.

This Saturday, it will be a long day ahead that will begin at 8 a.m. There are seven stages against the clock before reaching the finish line of Day 2 in Mexico City.

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#### **About La Carrera Panamericana**

La Carrera Panamericana is the most important and most traveled road rally speed car event in the world. It has been compared as a mix with Mile Miglia, Italy's Targa Florio and Tripoli's Grand Prix. Pilots from all over the world compete together for seven intense days traveling more than 3,000 km in grueling conditions. Its history is divided into two eras, the golden era that took place from 1950 to 1954 and the modern era from 1988 to date with 32 uninterrupted editions.

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