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At the Italian Indoor Trial, the opening round of the World Indoor Trial Championship

RAGA (GAS GAS), CLOSE TO THE WIN

The GAS GAS rider finishes second, only one point behind Lampkin

Monza (Italy), 30 November 2003.— Adam Raga, the “Jordi Tarrés-GAS GAS” team works rider, proved to be in full condition to renew his World Indoor Trial Championship title, and climbed onto the second step of the rostrum on the season’s first round, held in Monza, Italy.

Raga went through the classifying heat without many problems, but made some small mistakes. In the final, he was the only rider who could put up a fight against Doug Lampkin. The Uldecona rider was very close to beating the Briton, as the gap between the two was down to two points with only the height jump and the speed section to go. Raga was clearly faster than Lampkin in the speed section, but that was not enough to cut down the Briton’s advantage.

Adam Raga has thus displayed his skills at the commands of a GAS GAS again and, thanks to his present good shape, has started the season with a well-deserved second place which, according to the new points system, gives him 8 points and leaves him only 2 points behind the leader to defend his Indoor World Trial Championship title.

The Indoor season will continue next week and will visit China for the first time in its history. The event will be held in Hong Kong on Friday 5 December. It will be the last round of the championship in 2003.

Finals standings of the Italian Indoor Trial

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| 1 – Doug Lampkin | Montesa | 11 points |
| 2 – Adam Raga | GAS GAS | 12 points |
| 3 – Takahisa Fujinami | Honda | 20 points |
| 4 – Marc Freixa | Montesa | 22 points |

Provisional standings of the World Indoor Trial Championship

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| 1 – Doug Lampkin | Montesa | 10 points |
| 2 – Adam Raga | GAS GAS | 8 points |
| 3 – Takahisa Fujinami | Honda | 6 points |
| 4 – Marc Freixa | Montesa | 5 points |
| 5 – Albert Cabestany | Beta | 4 points |
| 6 – Graham Jarvis | Sherco | 3 points |

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