



# 1982 PARIS - ALGIERS - DAKAR

## THE DAKAR IN FIGURES

### 4<sup>th</sup> PARIS - ALGIERS - DAKAR

- **Start:** 1 January 1982 from Paris (Place de la Concorde)
- **Finish:** 20 January 1982 in Dakar (Rose Lake)
- **Rest:** 10 January 1982 at Gao
- **Length of rally:** 10,000 km
- **Number of kilometers of specials:** 5,963 km
- **Countries crossed:** France, Algeria, Mali, Senegal



### NUMBER OF COMPETITORS: 385

- **At the start:** 233 cars  
129 motorcycles  
23 trucks
- **At the finish:** 127 véhicules  
dont 94 cars  
33 motorcycles

### OVERALL CAR STANDINGS:

Claude Marreau/Bernard Marreau (Fra) **RENAULT**

### OVERALL MOTORCYCLE STANDINGS:

Cyril Neveu (Fra) **HONDA**

### OVERALL TRUCK STANDINGS:

Groine/De Saulieu/Malferiol (Fra) **MERCEDES**

## MAIN COMPETITORS

### Motorcycle

#### 3 teams officiels engagés

- **BMW :** Auriol, Fenouil et Raymond Loizeaux
- **Yamaha :** Bacou, Merel et Jean-paul Mingels
- **Honda :** Neveu, Rigoni, Desheulles, Vassard et Drobeck

#### Non officiels

- **BMW :** Breton
- **Yamaha :** Tchiernavsky, Pineau, Albaret
- **Suzuki :** Ph et M Joineau

### Truck

- **DAF :** De Rooy-Straftmans

- **Mercedes :** Groine-De Saulieu-Malferiole

### Car

- **Rover Range :** Zanirolli-Lemoyné, Metge-Giroux
- **Lada Niva :** Briavoine-Deliaire
- **Mercedes 280 GE :** Migault-Migault, Jaussaud-Brière, Gaillard-Gauvin, Ickx-Brasseur
- **Renault 20 :** les Frères Marreau
- **Buggy :** Cotel-Corbetta, Sunhill-Vincent
- **Toyota Proto :** Fougrousse-Nanouk

## HIGHLIGHTS

- **The "Celebrity" Dakar:** Claude Brasseur embarks on the journey for the second time. Swimmer Christine Caron also tries out the adventure, as well as skier Bernard Russi, world downhill champion in 1972. The presence of Mark Thatcher, son of the British Prime Minister, is also noteworthy.
- **Laffite and Dutronc:** Jacques Laffite and Jacques Dutronc, Dakar enthusiasts, decided to sponsor their friends, diehard endurance athletes, Pierre Landereau and Raphaël de Montremy, who took off using a Yamaha 500 XT bike.
- **Honda syndrome:** Honda still has not managed to succeed in becoming an official force in Africa.
- **Christine, the desert's fiancée:** Christine Martin, winner of the Ladies' Cup in 1981, puts her title on the line again this year. Three other women were to take off on motorcycles: Véronique Anquetil, Nicole Maitrot and Marie Ertaud.



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## THE ROUTE

- **Prologue à Olivet (4km)**
- **Prologue à Sète (7,5 km)**
- **1<sup>ère</sup> étape : Alger – Ouled Djellal (liaison 470km)**
- **2<sup>ème</sup> étape : Ouled Djellal – Hassi Messaoud**
  - Ouled Djellal-El Baadj (ss 64 km)
  - El Baadj-Touggourt (liaison)
  - Touggourt-Guerrara (ss 177 km)
  - Guerrara-Hassi Messaoud (liaison)
- **3<sup>ème</sup> étape : Hassi Messaoud – 4 Chemins (liaison 414 km)**
- **4<sup>ème</sup> étape : 4 Chemins - Tit ( 568 km de spéciale)**
- **5<sup>ème</sup> étape : Tit – Timeaouine (538 km de spéciale)**
- **6<sup>ème</sup> étape : Timeaouine – Gao (740 km de spéciale)**
- **Repos à Gao**
- **7<sup>ème</sup> étape : Gao – Mopti (538 km de spéciale)**
- **8<sup>ème</sup> étape : Mopti – Gao (800 km de spéciale)**
- **Repos à Gao**
- **9<sup>ème</sup> étape : Gao – Tombouctou (424 km de spéciale)**
- **10<sup>ème</sup> étape : Tombouctou – Niono (558 km de spéciale)**
- **11<sup>ème</sup> étape : Niono – Nioro (517 km de spéciale)**
- **12<sup>ème</sup> étape : Nioro – Tambacounda**
  - Nioro-Kayes (ss 260 km)
  - Kayes-Kidira (ss 120 km)
  - Kidira-Tambacounda (liaison)
- **13<sup>ème</sup> étape : Tambacounda – Tiougoune**
  - Tambacounda-Lour (ss 147 km)
  - Lour-Dara (ss 159 km)
  - Dara-Louga (ss 200 km)
  - Louga-Tiougoune (liaison)
- **14<sup>ème</sup> étape : Tiougoune – Dakar (100 km de spéciale)**

## THE RACE

- **Prologue at Olivet (4 km)**

From the start of this 4<sup>th</sup> edition, Cyril Neveu sets the tone by dominating the prologue. In the car class, Touroul scores a win in his Peugeot. The prologue produces several victims and the first withdrawals are seen. The unlucky ones are Pascale Gheurie and Nicole Saint-Day. Their Renault 18 does not make it further than Etampes.

- **Prologue at Sète (7.5 km)**

At Sètes, Patrick Drobeck succeeds in his Honda 550 XR, as well as the Lartigue-Destailats team in a Range Rover and Georges Groine in his Mercedes truck. They head to Africa with the lead, after the two French specials.

- **1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> stages: Algiers – Ouled Djellal - Hassi Messaoud**

Ouled Djellal - El Baadj 64 km; a mini-stage with maximum trouble. The dust makes visibility difficult and passing all but impossible. Some competitors lose their way, and not just the novices: Desheulles, Briavoine and Metge lose respectively 30, 20 and five minutes. A smooth rolling special that makes a very happy man out of Auriol. The BMW rider takes the lead in the overall standings ahead of Joineau (Suzuki 500) and Bacou (Yamaha 500 XT). In the car class, Guégan (Mercedes 280 GE) finishes ahead of Lartigue (Range Rover) and Trossat (Lada Niva).

- **3rd and 4<sup>th</sup> stages: Hassi Messaoud – 4 Chemins – Tit**

The days file by and are not all alike for Auriol. During the special (4 Chemins-In Ecker), "the white knight", despite having been the winner of the previous year's rally on this piste, perhaps lost it today after a problem with his gear box. The victors of the day on motorcycles are Vassard ahead of Rigoni and Schaecht. For the cars, the win goes to Cotel's buggy. The Marreau brothers are at the top of the overall standings.

- **5th stage: Tit – Timeaouine (538 km of special)**

The Neveu family has cause for celebration. For the Tit - Timeaouine stage, Christophe dominates himself at the wheel of his Range Rover while Cyril proves to be the fastest on his bike, a Honda 550 XR. Ickx-Brasseur and Rigoni are the new leaders in their respective classes.

- **6th stage: Timeaouine – Gao (740 km of special)**

Despite numerous road-book problems, the Marreau brothers and Rigoni are still at the top of the rally.

- **7th stage: Gao – Mopti (538 km of special)**

A day of drama as one of the favorites leaves the race: Frenchman Hubert Auriol. A total failure for BMW, which decides to withdraw its two vehicles still in the race for safety reasons given the lack of spare gear boxes. Merel on his Yamaha XT 570 and Ickx at the wheel of his Mercedes 280 GE win the stage.

- **8th stage: Mopti – Gao (800 km of special)**

The Peugeot-Dangel No. 178 is no longer responding. Mark Thatcher and his teammate Charlotte Verney have disappeared. The disappearance of the son of the British Prime Minister causes considerable commotion. More fear was generated than harm done since the pair are found safe and sound three days later. However, their silence remains a mystery.



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## • 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> stages: Gao – Timbuktu – Niono

On a sandy piste, prisoner of the cacti, between Gao and Timbuktu, there is a true shake-up in the overall standings. Merel, riding his Yamaha, wins the scratch while Vassard and Rigoni, who reached the finish line backwards, are saddled with more than five penalty hours. In the car class, Ickx is the quickest, but the Marreau brothers, sixth in the special, are still in the lead.

## • 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> stages: Niono – Nioro - Tambacounda

There are more changes in the overall rankings after this special linking Nioro to the Sahel. As Vassard is penalized and Mingels falls at Kilometer 23, Cyril Neveu moves to the head of operations. The Marreau and Metge-Giroux teams are spinning their wheels. Briavoine's Lada seizes the chance to win the stage.

## • 13<sup>th</sup> stage: Tambacounda – Tiougoune

A stone's throw away from Dakar, spirits are broken, along with the body. The leaders take advantage of the fatigue to put the pedal to the metal.

## • 14<sup>th</sup> stage: Tiougoune – Dakar (100 km of special)

Cyril Neveu posts his third victory in four appearances. The Marreau brothers, faithful among faithful since the first edition, carry it off in the car class. As for the trucks, Groine, De Saulieu and Malferiol cart off a victory at the wheel of their Mercedes.

## • Prologue à Olivet (4km)

Dès le départ de cette 4<sup>ème</sup> édition, Cyril Neveu annonce la couleur en s'imposant lors du prologue. En auto, victoire de Touroul au volant de sa Peugeot. Le Prologue fait de nombreuses victimes et l'on assiste aux premiers abandons. Les malchanceuses s'appellent Pascale Gheurie et Nicole Saint-Jour. Leur Renault 18 ne dépasse pas Etampes.

## • Prologue à Sète (7,5 km)

A Sètes, succès de Patrick Drobeck sur sa Honda 550 XR, de l'équipage Lartigue-Destaillats au volant d'un Range Rover, et de Georges Groine sur son camion Mercedes. Ils embarquent en direction de l'Afrique en tête, après les deux spéciales françaises.

### SUBSIDIARY

#### • Stage victories

Num	Etape	Spéciale	Km	Vainqueur Auto	Nat	Marque	Vainqueur Moto	Nat	Marque
1	Olivet	Prologue	4	Touroul/Grouvel	Fra	Peugeot	Neveu	Fra	Honda
2	Sete	Prologue	7,5	Lartigue/Destaillats	Fra	R Rover	Drobecq	Fra	Honda
3	<b>Alger-Ouled Djellal</b>	<b>Liaison</b>	<b>470</b>						
4	Ouled Djellal-Hassi Messaoud	Ouled Djellal-El Baadj	64	Guegan/Sarrazin	Fra	Mercedes	Joineau	Fra	Suzuki
4	Ouled Djellal-Hassi Messaoud	Touggourt-Guerrara	177	Elford/Beckers	GB	Subaru	Bacou	Fra	Yamaha
5	<b>Guerrara-Hassi-Messaoud</b>	<b>Liaison</b>							
6	<b>Hassi Messaoud-4 chemins</b>	<b>Liaison</b>	<b>414</b>						
7	Quatre chemins-Tit	Quatre chemins-In Ecker	568	Cotel/Corbetta	Fra	Buggy	Vassard	Fra	Honda
8	Tit-Timeaouine	Tit-Timeaouine	538	Neveu/Texetra	Fra	R Rover	Neveu	Fra	Honda
9	Timeaouine-Gao	Timeaouine-Gao	740	Gaillard/Gauvais	Fra	Mercedes	Verley	Fra	Barigo
10	Gao-Mopti	Gao-Mopti	538	Ickx/Brasseur	Bel	Mercedes	Merel	Fra	Yamaha
11	Mopti-Gao	Mopti-Gao	800	Ickx/Brasseur	Bel	Mercedes	Merel	Fra	Yamaha
12	Gao-Tombouctou	Gao-Tombouctou	424	Ickx/Brasseur	Bel	Mercedes	Merel	Fra	Yamaha
13	Tombouctou-Niono	Tombouctou-Niono	558	Ickx/Brasseur	Bel	Mercedes	Neveu	Fra	Honda
14	Niono-Nioro du Sahel	Niono-Nioro du Sahel	517	Briavoine/Deliaire	Fra	Lada	Albaret	Fra	Yamaha
15	Nioro du Sahel-Tambacounda	Nioro du Sahel-Kayes	260	Jaussaud/Briere	Fra	Mercedes	Barat	Fra	Honda
15	Nioro du Sahel-Tambacounda	Kayes-Kidira	120	Ickx/Brasseur	Bel	Mercedes	Albaret	Fra	Yamaha
16	Tambacounda-Tiougoune	Tambacounda-Lour	147	Briavoine/Deliaire	Fra	Lada	Kirkpatrick	Bel	Yamaha
16	Tambacounda-Tiougoune	Lour-Dara	159	Simbille/Simbille	Fra	Mercedes	Joineau	Fra	Suzuki
16	Tambacounda-Tiougoune	Dara-Louga	200	Ickx/Brasseur	Bel	Mercedes	Merel	Fra	Yamaha
17	Tiougoune-Dakar	Tiougoune-Dakar	100	Ickx-Brasseur	Bel	Mercedes	Neveu	Fra	Honda



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## • Overall scratch standings

Clt	Concurrent	Marque	Nat			
<b>OVERALL CAR-TRUCK STANDINGS</b>						
1	MARREAU B./MARREAU C.	R20		60	RAVEZ J.C./PLATEL J.F.	RANGE ROVER Fra
2	BRIAVOINE J.C./DELIATRE A.	LADA	Fra	61	PUYTORAC/FREYNE/DUPOUY	TOYOTA Fra
3	JAUSSAUD J.P./BRIERE M.	MERCEDES	Fra	62	KERC A./YDRAUD J.P.	RANGE ROVER Fra
4	LARTIGUE P./DESTAILLATS	RANGE ROVER	Fra	63	LEVAUFRE M./JOSEPH J.P.	TOYOTA Fra
5	ICKX Jacky/BRASSEUR C.	MERCEDES	Bel	64	BOSTEELS/VER/DELAPLANCHE	TOYOTA Fra
6	DEBUSSY/BERTRANNE R.	MERCEDES	Fra	65	CLATOT J./CHATARD A.	PINZGAUER Fra
7	ZANIROLI/LEMOYNE	RANGE ROVER	Fra	66	ECUYER/SUTTER P.	DAIHATSU Sui
8	SIMBILLE M./SIMBILLE A.	MERCEDES	Fra	67	DE ROOY J./STRAFTMANS G.	DAF Hol
9	SCHACHENMANN/POUGET J.M.	TOYOTA	Sui	68	BRIERE/MORAULT	MERCEDES Fra
10	PLANSON G./BERRY C.	MERCEDES	Fra	69	MICHEL/LYPO/PRECRIAUX	TOYOTA Fra
11	SIMON J.P./BALDI C.	RANGE ROVER	Fra	70	GOUTALAND S./VACHER/SAGON	MERCEDES Fra
12	DELEFORTERIE/DELEFORTERIE	LIMOUX TOYO	Fra	71	DELOREL/JALLON/ROLLET	TOYOTA Fra
13	LE GLUHER C./TERRIEN J.	RANGE ROVER	Fra	72	NEMOTO/MATSUMAF/BATIFOULI	TOYOTA Jap
14	COURTOIS C./CAZALIERES O.	MERCEDES	Fra	73	SELLIER J.P./GANFRIEN P.	PINZGAUER Fra
15	MIGAULT F./MIGAULT I.	MERCEDES	Fra	74	CHAMPART J.L./CHARUIT H.	MERCEDES Fra
16	COSTA A./EMPTAS	RANGE ROVER	Fra	75	FONDRILLON D./POUPET C.	TOYOTA Fra
17	VAILS G./CHANTEUX J.M.	R20	Fra	76	BLANC M./BLANC A.	RANGE ROVER Fra
18	DE PAOLI/LAVAGNAT/BONESCHI	RANGE ROVER	Ita	77	BARRAL G./COFURET P.	PINZGAUER Fra
19	TOCCI/FUCCI	FIAT	Ita	78	HERVE C./GARCIA J.C.	ACMAT Fra
20	TCHERNIAVSKY/LASSE A.	VW ILTIS	Fra	79	LAURILLARD M./CHERY J.M.	RANGE ROVER Fra
21	HACOUIN G./LACOMBLEZ F.	RANGE ROVER	Bel	80	BOESTEL P.J./CHARDRONNET	TOYOTA Fra
22	BOSTEELS S./VANESLANDE A.	TOYOTA	Fra	81	GAUTTER/LILLE	LAND ROVER Fra
23	VOLABEL M./DA SILVA J.	MERCEDES	Fra	82	RIVAL DE ROU/VICTOUROU J.C.	TOYOTA Fra
24	RUGA S./TRENOY J.	MERCEDES	Fra	83	LEPELTTER R./MEULLENET A.	PINZGAUER Fra
25	BARRUFI C./MAGNE H.	MERCEDES	Fra	84	MARTINEZ F./OLIGO J.P.	MERCEDES Fra
26	LERIET C./BOUCHOU J.C.	MERCEDES	Fra	85	REFUVEILLE/DENARNAUD	TOYOTA Fra
27	RIGAL H./ROCHETTE D.	RANGE ROVER	Fra	86	AVOYNE J.C./LANDAIS	LEYLAND MAR Fra
28	MARTIN/DUMONT	MERCEDES	Fra	87	LANGLOIS R./BERTRAND G.	RANGE ROVER Fra
29	VASSEUR G./DERBOIS A.	TOYOTA	Fra	88	VERMEULEN/HOOGERS/HUTCHIN	TOYOTA Hol
30	NEVEU J./TEXETRA	RANGE ROVER	Fra	89	ROLLAND/LORGET/LUTUN	UNIC MARMON Fra
31	ANDREOLI J.C./JAXEL M.	TOYOTA	Fra	90	AMADO T./VILLAS/BOAS	UMM Por
32	PITOUT G./SNOECK J.M.	RANGE ROVER	Fra	91	RUSSI B./SIMONETTI C.	SURARH Sui
33	ROCQUES C./BOUSQUET G.	TOYOTA	Fra	92	BOULARD/GEORGET/LORTIE	TOYOTA Fra
34	KUBOTA M./UCHIDA M.	TOYOTA	Jap	93	LAZCAVO/DELVAL	IVECO FIAT Esp
35	SACY B./CARON C.	RANGE ROVER	Fra	94	BAILLET/FERRAZ/BRANCHE	VOLVO Fra
36	FERNANDEZ J./TEZEKDJIAN	RANGE ROVER	Fra	<b>OVERALL MOTORCYCLE STANDINGS</b>		
37	VERMEESCH/CASTELFIN/DELFF	MERCEDES	Bel	1	NEVEU Cyril	HONDA Fra
38	GROTNE/DE SAULIEU/MALFERI	MERCEDES	Fra	2	VASSARD Philippe	HONDA Fra
39	ARNOUX C./GEAY M.	BUGGY	Fra	3	VERHAEGUE Grégoire	BARIGO Fra
40	ROBERT J.F./BOUTONNET M.	RANGE ROVER	Fra	4	ALBARET Guy	YAMAHA Fra
41	DE MONTCORGE/PELLETIER J.C.	MERCEDES	Fra	5	MEREL Michel	YAMAHA Fra
42	GILFRICHE A.J./GAZEL A.	VW ILTIS	Fra	6	CHABANETTE Daniel	HVA Fra
43	FIRAS R./CHAMBERT J.	TOYOTA	Fra	7	RIGONI Bernard	HONDA Fra
44	CAZENAVE/MAH/GAUTHIER D.	TOYOTA	Fra	8	CHARBONNIER Thierry	HVA Fra
45	MEGRE José/ROMAO M.	UMM	Por	9	BOISSONNADE Alain	HVA Fra
46	CORTEZ P./MIRANDA J.	UMM	Por	10	KIRKPATRICK Olivier	YAMAHA Bel
47	WAMBERGUE D./BACHOLLE	PINZGAUER	Fra	11	BARAT Jacky	HONDA Fra
48	COTEL H./CORBETTA C.	PRV BUGGY	Fra	12	LEBRUN Gilbert	HONDA Fra
49	MARTY D./CAZALOT M.	PEUGEOT	Fra	13	DESHEULLES Gilles	HONDA Fra
50	LESTRADE M./DUREDAT J.C.	TOYOTA	Fra	14	MAITROT Nicole	HONDA Fra
51	VERMER J.P./LAMBOT P.	MERCEDES	Bel	15	KNUIMAN Hendrikus	YAMAHA Hol
52	MISSILIEZ H./GROB F.	DAIHATSU	Sui	16	MAXIMOVITCH	HVA Fra
53	MARTIN M./SIX P.	TOYOTA	Fra	17	JOINEAU Marc	SUZUKI Fra
54	MONDRON J.P./EYCKMANS J.	MERCEDES	Bel	18	SHINJI Kazama	SUZUKI Jap
55	BARD A./PASCAL B.	TOYOTA	Fra	19	DAYSSIOLS Alain	HVA Fra
56	LALEU P./LANGLOIS B.	MERCEDES	Fra	20	CORNEVAUX François	YAMAHA Fra
57	CHEVALLIER A./BONVALLET J.	PINZGAUER	Fra	21	GUYAU Gilles	HONDA Fra
58	HUGUENY/CARDINAEL/GAFREMI	TOYOTA	Fra	22	GUILLET Michel	HONDA Fra
59	BORSU J./VAN TICHELEN	TOYOTA	Bel	23	FLEUW Alain	YAMAHA Bel
			Fra	24	STAMAN Johan	YAMAHA Hol
			Bel	25	MAITROT Jacques	HONDA Fra



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26	WESTERBAAN Maus	YAMAHA	Hol	30	PAINEAU Gérard	YAMAHA	Fra
27	DE BAVINCHOVE Olivier	HVA	Fra	31	SPIRA Alain	YAMAHA	Bel
28	ERTAUD Marie	YAMAHA	Fra	32	PESCHEUR Daniel	HONDA	Fra
29	HAUG-PESCHEL	ROTH-EML	All	33	LE BOUDON Gilbert	YAMAHA	Fra