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## MAZDA MX-5 "IL DESERTO DEI TARTARI":

## THE DEBUT OF A VERY BRITISH RALLY AMONG TRENTINO AND VENETO

A gathering tailored for daredevils of the "Mazda MX-5 throughout the year", in all weather conditions and strictly with the top down.

A particular event, born from the collaboration of two Clubs dedicated to the "Spieders": <u>Cabriomeeting</u> and Registro Italiano Mazda MX-5 (<u>RIM</u>) who prepared a roadbook with more than <u>200 km</u> of roads so to unload on the ground the whole power of the world's best selling roadster.

An unexpected success that has amazed the Organizers: 50 the present crews, despite the predictions for Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> of heavy rain. Instead, the weather wasn't that bad, offering breathtaking panoramas inspired by the paintings of the English countryside, dipping only in flashes the brilliant Miatas that crossed in a <u>film climate</u> the most famous mountains in the world, well known for their magnificence. The morning route has pointed at the legendary <u>Pale di San Martino</u>, in the Primiero Dolomites, for the most part in the province of Belluno that, according to some sources, seems they had inspired the writer Dino Buzzati, a great lover of the peaks of the chain, in the setting of his novel "<u>The Desert of the Tartars</u>".

La full immersion has continued through the wonderful views of one of the most beautiful valleys of the entire mountain range: <u>Val Canali</u>. The scenic forests of the southern Trentino led the MX-5 caravan to <u>Agordo</u>, in Veneto, the birthplace of <u>Pope John Paul I</u>. And then up to 1,369 m. for the mountain pass, <u>Cereda Pass</u>, reaching up to 2,032 m. the <u>Valles Pass</u>. The morning ended with the crossing of Passo Rolle - where is placed one of the stations officially recognized by the <u>World Meteorological Organization</u> - and finally the return to the <u>hotel Tressane</u> for a hearty lunch of local specialties.

For the afternoon path, shorter but equally engaging and visually striking, it was the time <u>Borgo Valsugana</u> - whose historical center is the only one, in the Trentino region, to have developed on both banks of the river Brenta -, passing the tunnel dug under the Totoga mountain (high 3.350 km) and the Vanoi Valley, along the 1,616 m. of the <u>Brocon Pass</u>.

To see the upcoming events: <u>www.mx5.it</u> – <u>www.cabriomeeting.it</u>

With the MX-5 the front-row seat is guaranteed!

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