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Fantastic Fiats on Franciacorta

This year's Franciacorta Historic welcomed new winners: Nicola Barcella and Simone Rossoni (above) in their Fiat 508C, beating four previously victorious crews to take the crown in the event's 19th running on 18 April. Perhaps it represented a changing of the guard, too, with Barcella/Rossoni also best in the under-30 category.

Across the 140km (87-mile) route to the north-west of Brescia, Italy, Barcella and Rossoni were competitive right from the earliest timing points. They finished top of the 145 crews, with a margin of 14.88 points over brothers Edoardo and Michele Bellini (Fiat 514S). It was an all-Fiat podium, with Lorenzo Turelli and father Mario third in their 508S. Even in the youngtimer class for 1977-'92 cars a Fiat finished on top, with Ivano Ceci and Barbara Botti clinching the win in their X1/9.