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# Copa TT 2011

## Cabanes, Betriu and Martínez winners in Beixalís.

Albert Cabanes-Lluis Carrera, Jordi Betriu-Paolo Antao and Joel Martínez-Jonathan Martínez were the winners of their respective categories in the third event of the TT Cup 2011 raced in Beixalís (La Massana). The event organized by the Automóvil Club d'Andorra took place in a completely new environment as far as this competition goes. The result couldn't be more favourable, all 14 teams, present at the earth-dumping site of Beixalís, had nothing but compliments for the setting chosen by the organizers, despite the difficulty of the course.

It's worth mentioning that in the briefing the race was presented as easy. Some hours later, after being forced to perform at their best to overcome some of the obstacles of the course, the general opinion had somewhat changed. Some teams weren't able to finish all 7 zones due to mechanical problems.

Albert Cabanes-Lluis Carrera continued their winning streak in the **XTREM** category. They had complete control and didn't give any option of recovery to their closest opponents. In La Massana's event, they crushed their rivals and finished the course in three hours, one less than what the organization had scheduled for all 7 zones. Thus, Cabanes-Carrera are only one step away from renewing the title they already obtained last year.

In the **PREPARED** category, things couldn't be tighter. In Beixalís, Jordi Betriu-Paolo Antao won for the second time this season and almost made up for their fateful day in Ordino. Isidre Cabanes-Toni Tarres and the Ordino winners, Josep Bringué-Ivan Bringué, were the other two teams on the podium of a category far from having a clear winner.

Roger Troguet and Joel Martínez staged once again a magnificent duel in the **STANDARD** category. This time, however, it was Joel Martínez and his navigator Jonathan Martínez who were more successful and obtained their first victory. It's noteworthy that Troguet-Simó weren't able to race the last straight due to mechanical problems (gearbox) in their Suzuki Santana.

It was precisely Roger Troguet and Sergi Simó who designed the course of the La Massana TT Cup event. Here is what they said about it: *In Beixalís, we've tried to establish a course making the most of the natural difficulties that were available and I think we've done well. We've tried to innovate and so have put forward a variety of zones: some timed, others where team work was crucial and even one where the teams had to pick up tyres. We wanted to make use of all the tools we carry in the cars. On the whole, we are happy with the development of the race, despite the fact that it hasn't been too good for our interests in the competition.*

At the end of the day, Toni Sasplugas, general secretary of the Automóvil Club d'Andorra, looked forward to use the Beixalís setting in further competitions; *these were his words: It's the first time we've organized an event in this plot but we will try to do it again. This location is perfect for this type of competitions; it offers a lot of possibilities. As I've said, the goal is to get the most out of the Beixalís earth-dumping site.*

The TT Cup 2011 continues its usual summer sprint. In about a month (20th August), the next race will take place in Arinsal, where some of the cup winners will already be announced.

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### Results TT Cup 2011 - La Massana:

Pos	Xtrem		Preparados		Serie	
	Pilotos/Vehiculo	Puntos	Pilotos/Vehiculo	Puntos	Pilotos/Vehiculo	Puntos
1	Albert Cabanes-Lluis Carrera	4993	Jordi Betriu-Paolo J.Antao	5513	Joel Martinez-J. Martinez	6029
	Land Rover Defender 90		Jeep Wrangler		Nissan Patrol GR	
2	Jaume Guardiola-Jose A.Solá	8857	Isidre Cabanes-Toni Tarres	7853	Roger Troguet-Sergi Simó	8515
	Suzuki Samurai		Land Rover Defender		Suzuki Santana SJ410	
3	Ramon Pujol-Pascual Mesa	9617	Josep Bringué-Ivan Bringué	8308		
	Jeep Wrangler TJ		Suzuki Samurai			

