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A new momentum for the VentouxMan France.



Created in 2015 by Charles DOUSSOT and Jean-François RIBET, the VentouxMan[®] will be given a fresh impetus for its 5th edition in September 2019.

This long distance triathlon will take place in an exceptional location, ending up in triumph with the Mont Ventoux, the Provence giant and world-renowned biking summit :

- **2 km** swimming alongside the Rhône
- **90 km** biking through typical Vaucluse villages and vineyards, including the mythical Ventoux ascent from Bédoin, its most challenging side,
- **20 km** running around the Mont Serein station.

In only 4 editions, The VentouxMan[®] grew to become one of the most beautiful French triathlons. As of 2019, this young organisation wishes to acquire yet another dimension, in order to earn its place in the French triathlons top 10.

Three major innovations will go along with this development :

- A new date.

The VentouxMan[®] used to be scheduled early in June, but the date was not ideal for triathletes, who, by answering an online survey that got more than 2000 answers, requested the triathlon rather to be set around mid-september.

The month of September, less busy in terms of race, also ensures a more clement weather around mont Ventoux. As a reminder, the 2nd edition had to be cancelled at the last moment due to violent storms on mont Ventoux. Shortly before the Tour de France itself had to do same, by rerouting its last kilometers for an arrival at a lower point : Chalet Reynard. Therefore, the 5th edition of the VentouxMan[®] will take place on the 15th September.

- A new staff.

This year, for the event organization and development, the VentouxMan[®] association trusted Extra Sports, a specialist in massive outdoor races.

This company from Lyon already is in charge of organizing several races in France, such as the SaintÉLyon or the International Beaujolais Marathon. A few years ago, They were also called upon to work with Tristar on several missions. This year, they will have to coordinate their first triathlon as executive producers. Tom Pagani, Recruited by Extra Sports in 2017, has been chosen to take the lead on the VentouxMan[®]. He had previously worked as a project manager at LVO and has participated in the launch of the AlpsMan and several other Red Bull Element events.

- A new start site.

On the four previous editions, the race start used to take place near the lake Li Piboulos, in Piolenc (84). This year, the staff chose a broader site, more accessible and more comfortable, 15km north of its original starting point, at the Girardes Lake in Lapalud (Vaucluse). This lake, spread on 18 hectares, with crystal clear waters, along with wide and equipped approaches, will allow for a swimming trial in two loops, with an australian exit. This new area will also allow for a wider bike park and a bib number distribution directly on-site. Lapalud is located in the immediate vicinity of the A7 (exit 19), Bollène (8km), Pierrelatte (9km) and Saint-Paul-Trois-Châteaux (10km).

More than 500 French and foreign triathletes have already confirmed their presence to this 5th VentouxMan[®] edition, to which are expected more than 1000 participants, either in solo or relay.

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