



Israel Cycling Academy completes the international field

Following the list of the 24 teams already unveiled for the 4th edition of Bretagne Classic - Ouest-France which will be run on Sunday 1st September, the Plouay Festival Committee is pleased to announce the arrival of a 25th team coming to finalize the very international field of the men's WorldTour event. The pro-continental team Israel Cycling Academy will come for the first time to Plouay.

« We are pleased to welcome the **Israel Cycling Academy** team. This now-renowned team is currently 24th in the world team rankings and also candidate for the WorldTour division for the 2020 season » details **Jean-Yves Tranvaux**, head of the Bretagne Classic sports organisation.

A team based in Brittany

Brittany is also already strongly linked to the **Israel Cycling Academy** team since a breton amateur team from National Division 1, **Côtes d'Armor-Marie Morin-Veranda Rideau**, became the reserve formation of the Israeli professional team. « The link has also been made thanks to our young amateur French champion, Alexis Renard, who will ride for **Israel Cycling Academy** where he is already a trainee. Alexis should be present on September 1st with his tricolor jersey on the Grand Prix of Plouay Elite-Open organized on the Jean-Yves Perron circuit at the opening of the Bretagne Classic - Ouest-France ».

With Davide Cimolai and Krists Neilands

Israel Cycling Academy presented its first riders list scheduled in Plouay under the direction of sports director **Lionel Marie**.

241. Rudy Barbier (Fra, 26). Winner of Cholet-Pays de Loire 2016, Paris-Bourges 2017 and Classic Loire Atlantique 2019, the Picard rider will be for the second time in Plouay after a test drive in 2017 while he was helping Oliver Naesen at Ag2r-La Mondiale.

242. Guillaume Boivin (Can, 29). Passed by Brittany at the beginning of his career, where he was won at Pontrioux and Cléguer (10 km from Plouay), the Quebecker came out of a good Giro d'Italia.

243. Clément Carisey (Fra, 27). Neo-professional, the Isérois rider is in full progression. He will be there to support his leaders and maybe take the breakaway of the day.

244. Alexander Cataford (Can, 26). This good TT rider from Ontario will also be there as a team-mate for his leaders. And he will celebrate his 26th birthday on the day of Bretagne Classic 2019 !

245. Davide Cimolai (Ita, 30). The Italian is the most experienced of his team, he has already run five times at Plouay. Author of a beautiful season 2019, we saw him win the Vuelta in Castilla y Leon with two stage wins, as well as a stage of the Tour de Wallonie. Author of six Top 10 on the last Giro d'Italia and 4th at the Eschborn-Frankfurt (WorldTour), he will be one of the favorites of Bretagne Classic.

246. Krists Neilands (Lat, 25). The Latvian Time Trial Champion, winner this season of the Tour de Hongrie with two stage victories, will also be an expected man on a race that should please him. Winner last year of the Dwars door het Hageland - Aarschot, he should enjoy Brittany Classic and its two gravel roads.

247. Guy Niv (Isr, 25). The Israel Time Trial Champion is one of the flag bearers of his country. After completing his second Giro d'Italia in the spring, he will be in Plouay to continue his apprenticeship by supporting his leaders.

The announced substitutes are **Guy Sagiv (Isr)**, **Kristian Sbaragli (Ita)**, **Daniel Turek (Cze)** and **Tom Van Asbroeck (Bel)**.

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