

## **The Sports Merit to Takahisa FUJINAMI**

***Takahisa FUJINAMI, the winner of the FIM Trial World Championship in 2004, and the first Japanese rider to holds The Title of Trial World Champion, received the national Sports Merit Award at the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology in Tokyo, on December 10, 2004.***

***Fujinami received the award from the minister, Nariaki NAKAYAMA, who was accompanied by Lawmakers and Mr. Masatoshi Suzuki, the president of the MFJ and others.***

***Previous Sports Merit Award winners include, Ryoko Tamura (judo), Isao Aoki (Pro Golf), Naoko Takahashi(Marathon) and Daijiro Kato(Road racing),Fujinami became the second motorcycle rider to receive the award.***

***Certainly, the Sports Merit Award made to Fujinami will be a great assistance to the development of motorcycle sports in Japan.***