



Flash N°: 1

Distance: 5.17 km

STAGE FLASH

Date: 22 August 2019

Day: 1

Stage: SSS St. Wendeler Land

Weather: 22 degrees, sunny

Track: Dry

1 OGIER Sébastien/INGRASSIA Julien FRA/FRA CITROËN C3 WRC "It's much more dirty than I expected. The plan is to win this weekend."

3 SUNINEN Teemu/LEHTINEN Jarmo FIN/FIN FORD Fiesta WRC

"It was okay, nothing really special. At the beginning we were sliding a bit. It's going to be a challenging rally. I believe when I have a good feeling that we can do some good times, so we will see how it goes."

4 LAPPI Esapekka/FERM Janne FIN/FIN CITROËN C3 WRC

"There was some corners, which were dirtier than they were on shakedown, which was a big surprise."

5 MEEKE Kris/MARSHALL Sebastian GBR/GBR TOYOTA Yaris WRC

"Our primary focus will be to conserve the championship and to keep an eye on the Hyundais. It's a bit like a Grand Prix practice this morning, so there will only be a few tenths between us in here. The rally starts tomorrow."

6 SORDO Dani/DEL BARRIO Carlos ESP/ESP HYUNDAI i20 Coupe WRC

"We are here to win. I am happy with the car. Tomorrow is going to be a difficult rally. The stage was good and the car is good."

8 TÄNAK Ott/JÄRVEOJA Martin EST/EST TOYOTA Yaris WRC

"I think it will be extremely tight - the stages are very fast. We will see tomorrow. We try to win every rally and this weekend will be no different."

10 LATVALA Jari-Matti/ANTTILA Miikka FIN/FIN TOYOTA Yaris WRC

"We tried our best. One step at a time and the feeling was okay. I wasn't the best on this stage this afternoon, so it was okay."

11 NEUVILLE Thierry/GILSOUL Nicolas BEL/BEL HYUNDAI i20 Coupe WRC

"I have to say, the feeling was not so bad. There was a lot of dust in some areas, so I was a little bit alarmed as I thought someone had gone off in front of me! I am satisfied with my time, but I am sure the guys behind will push very hard as well."

17 KATSUTA Takamoto/BARRITT Daniel JPN/GBR TOYOTA Yaris WRC

"Amazing feeling - it is so exciting. This weekend will be very tough but I will try to focus on my job. It will be good!"





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"It was good. The more I get in the car, the more I am getting used to it. The car feels great - it really is something special. There is still more I need to get out of the car and I am working on it as we go."

89 MIKKELSEN Andreas/JÆGER Anders NOR/NOR HYUNDAI i20 Coupe WRC "The feeling was fine - I touched something on the inside of a corner and was worried that I had a puncture so I was a bit careful. The time is okay - it will be a long rally."