



STAGE FLASH

Date: 2 October 2021
Day: 2
Special stage: 13 - Arvaja 2
Weather: Cloudy
Road conditions: Loose gravels, 2nd pass through

Flash N°: 13
Distance: 13.49 km

- #16 Fourmaux Adrien/Coria Alexandre**
"It's even worse than during the previous pass, it's quite narrow so it's loose everywhere. In the lines it's difficult to keep the rhythm. I need to improve my pace but it's good learning."
- #44 Greensmith Gus/Patterson Chris**
"It's clean, compared to 2019 the ground is much more compact so there is less cleaning. Some rocks were appearing at the surface so we did our best to avoid punctures. It was tricky."
- #1 Ogier Sébastien/Ingrassia Julien**
"The plan is to drive better because I didn't really enjoy the start of the rally, it was not good at all and now that we finally have a car that suits me better, it's nice to drive faster. I struggled at the start of the stage."
- #11 Neuville Thierry/Wydaeghe Martijn**
"It was okay, vey good stage and very good rhythm, I can't do much more, I try my best."
- #4 Lappi Esapekka/Ferm Janne**
"I'm not thinking about this thing at all to be honest (the pressure from locals), just feels very nice to see all the spectators and support, especially the Finnish people. Thanks for that everyone!"
- #33 Evans Elfyn/Martin Scott**
"Feeling okay, butit wasn't the best run. It was good in places, but I went wide on a corner and had some understeering. Lost a bit of time but it's OK."
- #8 Tänak Ott/Järveoja Martin**
"The feeling is much better than before, grip is high so it's quite enjoyable. We try to just be there."
- #42 Breen Craig/Nagle Paul**
"Nothing wrong, I didn't have a good rhythm in there to be honest, I didn't push for it. There was a different grip in there."
- #23 Suninen Teemu/Markkula Mikko**
"We were in a hurry and didn't have time to pick it up (the front bumper)."

- #20 Ostberg Mads/Eriksen Torstein**
"I don't know if he has any troubles (Suninen), but we're taking a little bit of time. We are down to 8 seconds now, the feeling is good so we'll continue to push like this."
- #21 Huttunen Jari/Lukka Mikko**
"It was a nice stage, lots of people. Still I'm just watching the time and I'm not happy."
- #26 Linnamäe Georg/Morgan James**
"We made some changes with set-up, don't know if it really worked or not. At least, we didn't make any mistakes this time."
- #24 Prokop Martin/Ernst Michal**
"I thought it would be rougher so I could have been a bit faster. I think I was a bit too cautious but you never know."
- #32 Lindholm Emil/Hämäläinen Reeta**
"We had some surprises on the first stage of this loop, we had to avoid some rocks, we lost a bit of time but we are cautious and keep the car in the middle of the road. We try to keep it cool and just finish the day."
- #30 Heikkilä Mikko/Luhtinen Topi**
"We are having a great battle, not a big push, we had a puncture last time in this stage, so I was a bit too careful. I just hope he (Pietarinen) is not too fast"
- #31 Asunmaa Teemu/Salminen Marko**
"It's not a clean run, I hit a rock two times in the first two kilometres, that's why I was driving so carefully. It's not an easy weekend for me. Still one left for today."
- #34 Pietarinen Eerik/Linnaketo Antti**
"It was quite good, the car is good."
- #29 Kaur Egon/Simm Silver**
"I took this one very easy, didn't do anything special, just avoided rocks and kept the car in one piece. The last stage is in the dark so it's going to be interesting."
- #28 Pepe López/Borja Odriozola**
"We thought we had a puncture so we took it easy to the end of the stage. "
- #39 Joonas Lauri/Korhonen Mikael**
"We took it pretty carefully, we were out of rhythm at times and were just trying to avoid the rocks. But it was okay."
- #35 Jeets Raul/Toom Andrus**
"It was OK, there were many stones on the road, it was tricky."
- #37 Tahko Riku/Soininen Markus**
"We had to be careful because the bonnet was a bit loose, maybe it opened when we hit a rock. We had to watch out so that the bonnet wouldn't open completely. And of course we try not to get a puncture."