



STAGE FLASH

Date: 3 October 2021
Day: 3
Special stage: 16 - Laukaa 1
Weather: Sunny
Road conditions: Clean and slippery

Flash N°: 16
Distance: 11.75 km

- #18 Katsuta Takamoto/Johnston Aaron**
"I'm just trying to enjoy it. Trying to learn and understand each other better with Aaron (co-driver)."
- #69 Rovannerä Kalle/Halttunen Jonne**
"It was fine, we're just cruising through the stages slowly."
- #16 Fourmaux Adrien/Coria Alexandre**
"It was really slippy, no grip in the rear so I was struggling a lot. I do my best but I don't have the confidence. We'll try to do something for the next stage."
- #44 Greensmith Gus/Patterson Chris**
"We didn't really have any moments. Compared to the grip we had yesterday, today there is hardly any."
- #1 Ogier Sébastien/Ingrassia Julien**
"We have big gaps around us so the main target is the Power Stage. Just trying to drive through these stages."
- #4 Lappi Esapekka/Ferm Janne**
"It was very slippery, when you compare it to the afternoon yesterday, it feels more slippery. It's similar to yesterday morning. We need to be careful, the car is sliding a lot. Afternoon will be better."
- #42 Breen Craig/Nagle Paul**
"We had a little spin at a junction, did a 360. Nothing too serious. Just trying not to do anything silly."
- #8 Tänak Ott/Järveoja Martin**
"Some places are quite slippery and I was a bit surprised. Generally it was quite an okay run."
- #33 Evans Elfyn/Martin Scott**
"I felt it could have been a bit better in some places. Quite no grip in some places but OK."
- #23 Suninen Teemu/Markkula Mikko**
"It was okay, could've been faster in a few places."

- #20 Ostberg Mads/Eriksen Torstein**
“It was an okay, tricky and fast stage, but an okay start for us. Our goal is to catch Teemu.”
- #21 Huttunen Jari/Lukka Mikko**
“It was okay, we made no mistakes, just driving through the stage. Our goal for today is just to get to the finish.”
- #26 Linnamäe Georg/Morgan James**
“We are really struggling with confidence, it was quite slippery and notes are not perfect in some places. But OK, we are here.”
- #22 Gryazin Nikolay/Aleksandrov Konstantin**
“Quite good, no big problems, I lost some time in a couple corners. The rest was quite okay. I think we can improve, let’s see during the second pass.”
- #32 Lindholm Emil/Hämäläinen Reeta**
“We’re taking it easy, there’s no rush. We’re just enjoying it.”
- #30 Heikkilä Mikko/Luhtinen Topi**
“It was quite slippery, so I didn’t have enough confidence with the brakes. We should try to keep a good rhythm, because Eerik (Pietarinen) is driving pretty fast as well.”
- #34 Pietarinen Eerik/Linnaketo Antti**
“It was okay, nothing special. We’re just trying to drive well and we’ll see how it is at the finish.”
- #31 Asunmaa Teemu/Salminen Marko**
“There’s no rush, so we just took it easy, not too much pushing. The stage was in great condition.”
- #39 Joonas Lauri/Korhonen Mikael**
“It was okay, quite slippery so we were careful. But the stage was great, and hopefully there’s more grip on the second run.”
- #28 Lopez Pepe/Odrizola Borja**
“It’s fast! We’re trying to limit the risk.”
- #37 Tahko Riku/Soininen Markus**
“It was okay, quite slippery but it’s the same for everyone. A good start.”
- #35 Jeets Raul/Toom Andrus**
“Nice weather but honestly new grip, absolutely not suited for our pace notes so we’re taking it carefully.”
- #38 Metsälä Juuso/Kangas Matti**
“It was okay, we’ll just try to focus on our own driving today, keep the car in one piece and not take any unnecessary risks.”
- #41 Huuhka Jari/Metso Jarno**
“The goal for today is to get to the finish. This has been an adventure for us, I’m so nervous because I don’t want to make any mistakes.”

#46 Taylor Molly/Marshall Sebastian

"We have some problems with the brakes but it's OK. No big issues, we just need to sort the balance of the brakes.

#47 Burger Kees/Arminen Teemu

"Nice morning, we are a little bit careful because of the excitement. It's really nice. We are now going to my favorite stage, Ruuhimäki. Very smooth and with nice jumps, I call it the fun park!"

#50 Bertolotti Simone/Celestini Luca

"Quite OK, we did a little mistake in a corner, it's more slippery than yesterday but it's OK."

#43 Nobre Paulo/Morales Gabriel

"First stage of the day so we are a little cold, not only the car, but the driver also. It's slippery in some parts. Three years ago we touched a stone in the first stage of the last day so this year is much better as we didn't hit anything."

#51 Herranen Toni/Virtanen Sebastian

"It was quite okay, although a bit slippery. Ruuhimäki is a great stage so I'm looking forward to it, and I hope it's in good condition."

#49 Szabó Zoltán/Szabó Krisztián

"We just woke up on the stage, it was very nice. We didn't really sleep last night because our hotel is in the middle of the city and people were partying all around."

#36 Díaz-Aboitiz Miguel/Sanjuan de Eusebio Diego

"Everything OK, only my right foot is too light."