



## SS5

**Date :** 20.01.2017  
**Jour :** 2  
**Epreuve Spéciale :** ST-LEGER-LES-MELEZES – LA-BATIE-NEUVE  
**Météo :** Blue sky 8°  
**Conditions de route :** Start until km 6 dry, km 6 until km 12,5 some ice and snow patches, km 12,5 until the end dry

**Flash N° :** 23  
**Distance :** 16,83 km

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### 1. OGIER / INGRASSIA

« It dried out a bit but it's still slippery in the forest & downhill. Difficult morning for us, not the best but we're here & we keep going. »

### 2. TANAK / JARVEOJA

« It's okay. The rhythm is improving - more consistent now. And the faulty radio? Not a problem - we disconnected it. »

### 3. EVANS / BARRITT

« Conditions were more mixed here, there was more Tarmac. We tried to push a bit harder. It was better. »

### 5. NEUVILLE / GILSOUL

« It was ok. My pace notes were a bit too slow at the end cause it was less ice than during the recess but no big problem. »

### 6. SORDO / MARTI

« We stalled the engine on an hairpin and lost some seconds. It's not a great time. »

### 8. LEFEBVRE / MOREAU

« Hanninen is parked up by the road. It was not a problem for us. For me, this was the best stage of the morning, the confidence is coming. »

### 10. LATVALA / ANTTILA

« This one was better cause there's more tarmac. Let's do the changes we need to do at the service. »

### 12. BREEN / MARTIN

« A lot cleaner than the previous stage - where I spun twice. Conditions here make it a bit more level with the cars - but on the tarmac they [the 2017-spec cars] are getting away from me. »

### 20. SERDERIDIS / MICLOTTE

« Lot of fun. »



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### 32. KOPECKY / DRESLER

“We made a small hit at the front right in the downhill. One tyre is completely shredded and one fender has been ripped out.”

### 41. BASSO / SCATTOLIN

“The car undergoes engine problems. It randomly shuts down and has trouble starting back again.”

### 76. TIDEMAND / ANDERSSON

“It’s the first time I’m driving with studs and in the downhill of this stage I had some frights.”

### 78. BURRI / REY

“We were not very good. We lack grip and above all a rally opener.”

### 21. DELECOUR / SAVIGNONI

“We lack two power wheels to be able to go flat out in such grip conditions.”

### 23. DUMAS / DE TURCKHEIM

“Still very difficult to use the Porsche correctly with such road conditions. We try our best to stay on the tracks.”

### 71. ASTIER / VAUCLARE

“It wasn’t too bad for us. I had a good feeling with the car but I should stay steady.”

### 25. ANDOLFI / FENOLI

“It’s too bad we lost time because of an electrical problem. We had driven quite well so far.”

### 61. ALTHAUS / BAYARD

“A small hit punctured the front right tyre.”

### 67. PANZANI / GRILLI

“We made a mistake in a bend and punctured the front right tyre. We lost a lot of time.”

### 88. VOSSEN / VAN BARSCHOT

“We damaged a tyre at the front right of the car.”

### 81. BOLAND / MORRISSEY

“We had a lot of electrical failures and mechanical issues.”



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### 38. BERGKVIST / SJOBERG

"We were very careful in the downhill because there is a lot of tricky braking."

### 89. CRETEN / JACQUEMOUD

"The downhill part was quite difficult but we really enjoyed the uphill and had a good pace."

### 105. DOLCE / AYASSE

"We managed to stabilise the car but the downhill was complicated especially braking."

### 92. MASSE / HADDAD

"We are getting better! We have less troubles keeping on with a race pace."

### 108. RENCHET / AMOROS

"We made a spin, stalled and we lost a lot of time."

### 109. LABROUSSE / LABROUSSE

"We hit a metal rail. Hopefully, there is not too much damage. But our time is really bad."

### 94. DRIVAKOS / BANTE

"The transmission is overheating. We have to pour water on the differential from the cabin."

### 102. RAGEAU / RAGEAU

"The end of the stage is almost completely dry so it slips a lot with the studded tyres."

### 88. VOSSEN / VAN BARSCHOT

"We brushed the rails in the downhill, otherwise nothing special to say."

### 95. BOISDRON/ PRETESEILLE

"We were good, especially in the tricky downhill."

### 111. CHAREYRE / LEBRETTON

"I was not at ease and felt like I had no pace but all in all, our timing isn't that bad!"

### 87. SOUFFEZ / SELLIN

"Very nice stage. But a slow puncture at the rear penalizes us a little."

### 97. BECX/ KUIJPERS

"We are getting better and better throughout the stages. If it lasted as long as a Dakar, we could end up on the podium."



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### 63. MARTIN / DUVAL

"The downhill was epic! We made spins, stalled but despite all of that I feel like I'm getting better."

### 113. CRERAR / LEVESQUE

"I was too slow and I know it's my fault, not the car's."

### 107. HAUT-LABOURDETTE / MANZO

"Finally! We can go flat out and really enjoy our time!"

### 116. BERARD / BERNABO

"The stage is really nice but the hairpin in the downhill have to be taken very carefully and all the underbrush is like an ice rink."

### 115. MARTINI / PENGIAL

"The car lacks power but we are performing for the spectators."