



SS 9

Date : 27.01.2018
Day : 3
Special Stage : AGNIERES-EN-DEVOLUY - CORPS
Weather : -1°C, snow falling
Road conditions : Snowy road (10cm).

Flash N° : 37
Distance : 29,16 km

1. OGIER / INGRASSIA

« One of the worst stages in my career. So much slush, it was super tricky, I was watching the lines in the road and they were going everywhere - I passed Sordo in a ditch. » 5 Michelin Pilot Alpin A4 studded

2. EVANS / BARRITT

« I lost the rear in the braking. It was safer to let it spin. You never know in these conditions - there were lines everywhere. I tried to stay in the cleanest one possible and be smart » 6 Michelin Pilot Alpin A4 studded

3. BOUFFIER / DEGOUT

« No spin, I drive very safe, I did my best. » 6 Michelin Pilot Alpin A4 studded

4. MIKKELSEN / JAEGER SYNNEVAAG

« This is proper Monte-Carlo. Really difficult conditions. We spun three times in a straight line! » 6 Michelin Pilot Alpin A4 studded

5. NEUVILLE / GILSOUL

« Horrible conditions. Some clean lines towards the end and getting cleaner but it's so easy to get out of the line. I tried to be steady and efficient but it will get faster for those behind. » 6 Michelin Pilot Alpin A4 studded

6. SORDO / DEL BARRIO

Stopped in the stage. Went off road. 5 Michelin Pilot Alpin A4 studded

7. LATVALA / ANTTILA

« I'm relieved to be here. Snow can be nice, but this was not nice at all. Melting, soft snow, slush. Go wide and you don't know where you're going to end up » 5 Michelin Pilot Alpin A4 studded

8. TANAK / JARVEOJA

« No chance to push at all. A few places you try you are out immediately. I didn't enjoy the spins and things - definitely not enjoyable. » 5 Michelin Pilot Alpin A4 studded

9. LAPPI / FERM

« I think you can really win a lot of time on this stage if you want to try, but for me it's not about that, I really didn't want to crash, it's so easy to. I guess it was quite slow but it's okay. » 5 Michelin Pilot Alpin A4 studded

10. MEEKE / NAGLE

« I have no idea how this time will compare. In these conditions it's the most challenging. I had one spin, which cost about 12sec » 6 Michelin Pilot Alpin A4 studded



11. BREEN / MARTIN

« Holy God, that was pretty incredible. A track the width of a tyre in the road and the moment you get off it, it's over. I'm a bit of a snowplow this morning. » 6 Michelin Pilot Alpin A4 studded



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62. LARIO / HÄMÄLÄINEN

Immobilized at kilometers 2.7.

74. GIORDANO / LANDAIS

Immobilized at kilometers 2.8.

32. KOPECKY / DRESLER

Not a great start for the leader in WRC 2. "I had a big moment near the start. In the slush I was driving at recce speed. The car was doing nothing".

33. SUNINEN / MARKKULA

53sec quicker than Kopecky. But he's not smiling either. "At least we finished the stage, but I'm not happy. There are some things we need to change about my driving".

35. DE MEVIUS / LOUKA

"Just one small spin near the start, but crazy conditions. I was very careful everywhere".

75. ARZENO / ROCHE

Retired.

76. SARRAZIN / RENUCCI

Retired.

78. CARRET / MATHIAS

Retired.

87. POIZOT / GRAND

Retired.

111. OBERTI / ESCARTEFIGUE

Retired.

112. RENCHET / AMOROS

Immobilized at kilometers 17.

100. FOSTIER / ABCHICHE

Immobilized.

79. VOSSEN / VAN RADBOUD

Immobilized.

82. BOLAND / MORRISSEY

Immobilized



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71. VEIBY / SKJAERMOEN

“Very difficult to stay on the road. We went straight off which caused us a front flat right tyre”.

72. BURRI / LEVRATTI

“Conditions are very delicate. You must not get off the line. But we did a left road anyway”.

36. SCIESSERE / ZANELLA

“The stud is too light for this amount of snow”.

92. BONATO / BOULLLOUD

“We overtook the 63 in the stage, then we left road, then we went back in the race and overtook him again”.

63. FRANCESCHI / COURBON

“In first gear and in straight road, I succeeded to hit a wall and to twist the rear left axle le train”.

104. DOLCE / AYASSE

“Left road, team is fine”

97. GREENSMITH / PARRY

“Even by driving slow, it was very rock and roll to stay on the road”.

95. LATIL / NESTA

“It was the “Wage of Fear”. In straight road, we left in a field. We have some damages on the front car”.

34. ABBRING / TSJOEN

“Engine broke between stop point and the finish line because of snow on the radiator which overheated the engine”.

84. VUISTINER / KUMMER

“It’s catastrophic. Even for myself, a Switzerland guy, I never had so much trouble on a snow road”

108. SCHERRER / ACHARD

“We left without studs. It was practically impossible”.

99. METIFFIOT / METIFFIOT

“It’s getting slushy, so even with ourstuds, it’s very difficult”.

64. MOLLE / HERMAN

“It was very complicated. We had a hit on the rear left. I hope we didn’t damage the suspension”.



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103. JAUSSAUD / JAUSSAUD

"Oh my god, it was hard".

81. CHEVALLARD / ARNAUD

"It was impressive the amount of traces of left road in the stage".

113. FORTUNATO / NETO

"We left road so many times. Hopefully, no damages for the car".

89. VIALLE / GHIRARDELLO

"Big problem with the gearbox which makes noise. I hope we would be able to go on".

106. TONDUT / BEYLOUNI

"We hit at the start in the village, had a broken window so we were frozen during all the stage"