



STAGE FLASH

Date: May 23rd 2009

Day : 2

Flash N° : 12

Special Stage: 12 – Punta Balestrieri **Distance :** 29.15 km

Weather: Sun

Road Condition: Good surface, just the same as the first pass, Many spectators, all well placed.

n. 4 Latvala - Anttila

"It's been a good day, a tough battle in stage 11, I made a mistake at a junction there. I lost a bit too much time today. Tomorrow won't be so easy"

n. 3 Hirvonen - Lehtinen

"I will push to win tomorrow, I would enjoy a fair fight"

n. 1 Loeb – Elena

"I tried to pass Petter for third. The day has not really been like we wanted".

n. 11 Solberg P. - Mills

"My set-up is no longer good. It was a good day, after the first stage we took a tyre off the rim and it was very worn, so it was not the best situation. It will be difficult to beat Sébastien, I had a good day and that is the main thing"

n. 7 Novikov – Moscatt

"Difficult stage, I did a few mistakes and stalled so we lost some time. No other problems, everything is fine, it was more difficult than the first pass"

n. 21 Ostberg – Engan

Stopped 2 km from the end of the stage to change a puncture - ""

n. 5 Wilson - Marti

"Ostberg is working on the car. This afternoon we had no real problems, just struggled with the brakes. When we caught Sordo we just lost a bit of time in the dust"

n. 10 Al Qassimi – Orr

"After leaving service the power steering pump broke, but we decided to continue. My arms are sore"

n. 2 Sordo - Marti

Was 4' late at the start of the stage - "We lost power, I don't know what happened, we will see in service. We have problems to the center diff, and the rear one is out of order"

n. 145 Flodin - Bergsten

"This stage was a good one, we made some changes on the suspension, we had some problems going into the right hand corners, it will be interesting to see what times the others do."

n. 146 Sandell – Axelsson

"I'm fine, it's nice to get to the finish of this day, it was difficult because of the heat"



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n. 150 Al Attiyah – Bernacchini

“We are 2” slower than Sandell, we did a good job today, I’m a little bit tired. I hit something in the rear”

n. 147 Araujo - Miguel

“The problem on the rear left wheel is still there, very difficult to drive, it’s good to be here”

n. 39 Bettega - Scattolin

“We drove slowly because there is nothing else to do”

n. 32 Kosciuszko - Szczepaniak

“Very nice, I love this stage, it’s fast especially the last part, it has crests, jumps, I love it”

n. 63 Nikara - Kalliolepo

Rear window missing - “The heat was a problem, we hit something and after that the car was difficult to drive”

n. 132 Sousa – Carvalho

Front left tyre badly worn - “We have a transmission problem, the tyres are destroyed, we lost a lot of time, we will repair everything in service”

n. 38 Prokop - Tomanek

Has hit something in the front left - “In the dust we missed a turn and hit a tree, we were pushing hard”

n. 149 Brynildsen - Giraudet

“It’s rough, we bent a steering arm, not the best car to drive after that. We’re just driving through, checking pacenotes, I don’t need to push because the others are too far away. I’m sorry for Mads (Ostberg)”

n. 31 Burkart - Kolbach

“In the second stage we had a puncture and stopped to change, now we are in the battle again, we have diff problems”

n. 36 Weijs - Degandt

Arrives at the end of the stage covered in dust, the boot is missing - “There is dust coming in the car from the back,”

n. 64 Semerad – Ceplecha

The car ends the stage with the engine not running, they are pushing it in the attempt to restart, without success.

n. 134 Linari - Gregoriani

“We broke the front dampers”

n. 89 Pisano – Cozzula

“We are having fun”



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n. 62 Williams - Gwynn

"Power steering is broken, we hit something on the rear left and bent a wheel"