



STAGE FLASH

Date: 19 May 2006 Flash N°6
Leg: 1 Distance: 22.25 km
Special Stage: Siniscola
Weather: Good
Road Condition: Stage with lots of difficult parts

N°1 Loeb He finished the stage with the front tyre out of the rim, but also the other cars were not in good conditions. He attack but he was not able to gain a lot of time

N° 3 Gronholm He pushed and he won the stage with a tenth advantage over his direct rival. He finished the leg with 35".4 over Loeb.

N° 21 Sordo Very satisfied of this first leg, but the roadbed was too hard for the tyres they chose

N° 5 P. Solberg He stopped at km 12 of the stage he had two punctures. He is driving slowly.

N° 7 Stohl Front right with no tyre. Bad day.

N° 25 Galli I'm satisfied of the day, but we cannot find the right tyre. Tomorrow we have to find something better

N° 8 H. Solberg He almost went off the road because of ware off front tyres.

N. 2 Pons He spinned because of a puncture.

N. 22 Duval Happy about this first day.



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- N. 10 Katajamaki I decided to chose the tactic not to cut curves and not to push too much. That wa it is easier to have punctures
- N. 9 Wilson The problems of this morning with the electronics and the accelerator, went on in the afternoon.
- N. 41 sandell I'm glad I had a good day on such a tough route
- N. 33 Aava He drove fast in this stage, he suffered the puncture of both left tyres. Trying to finish the stage. By doing so Tirabassi who was in the back has been slow down.
- N. 36 Betti He stopped in the stage with the rear right arm broken and retired
- N. 39 Rautenbach He suffered a puncture during a left bend just before the end of the stage and he went off the road
- N. 74 Perico He was very annoyed he had to follow for 8 km the driver in front of him, Cortinovis, driving very slow
- N. 77 Zanchi He finished the stage with the rear left tyre punctured. "I'm tired of changing tyres"
- N. 81 Scorcioni He stopped in the stage with one of the front tyres pulled up