



## STAGE FLASH

**Date:** Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup>  
**Day:** 3      **Flash N°:** 16  
**Special stage:** Bio Bío 2 (Power Stage)      **Distance:** 12.52 km  
**Weather:** Bright and sunny, 15-16°C  
**Road conditions:** Damp in places – mainly dry

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### Car 1. OGIER/INGRASSIA

“That’s not bad. We had an extinguisher just broke in the car. So bad a smell. I lost a bit conscious. It was quite bad...”

### Car 2. SUNINEN/SALMINEN

“It’s a good result for the team. It was not easy for us but we were able to manage some points and that is good. We just need to be strong in the next rally.”

### Car 4. LAPPI/FERM

Spun and stalled on a sweeping left corner in the stage and lost 20 seconds selecting a gear. “Not enough steering angle. I could not catch the long slide any more and we spun. The gear lever was a bit too hard.”

### Car 5. MEEKE/MARSHALL

“It was a bit scrappy in a few places. Not a good weekend.”

### Car 8. TÄNAK/JÄRVEOJA

“Great event and a first time here. It was a tough job and needed a focus and a lot of energy We were not on the limit all the time. The important was the rally and the result for the team and the engineers. We had setbacks after losing two rallies in a row. Now we will keep fighting. We can do it.”

**Tommi Mäkinen, Toyota Gazoo Racing WRT principal** - “It was brilliant for us and for Ott. He did a great drive. First time through the stages and flat out, it was a big challenge for everybody. Maximum points for us. We continue the interesting game now in Portugal.”

### Car 10. LATVALA/ANTTILA

“I did a better run than the first run. It is drier. Is it going to dry out or is it going to remain slippery. We will have to wait and see.”

### Car 19. LOEB/ELENA

“I did a good stage. The gap was too big. If he makes no mistake (Ogier) there is no chance to be in



front. It's a long time I did not drive like this but, to be in the game, was fantastic.”

**Car 33. EVANS/MARTIN**

“It has not been easy. Difficult conditions on Friday and not always perfect. We gave it everything until last night and it was a case of bringing home fourth place today.”

**Car 37. BERTELLI/SCATTOLIN**

“Honestly it has been a growing (curve). When you don't train every week, I was impressed how two years of rust can change how you look at information. People have been fantastic. I am happy to be here.”

**Car 89. MIKKELSEN/JAEGER**

“It is a disappointing result for us. The mistake was done on the recce. We made very aggressive notes and we had some small moments. After that I had no confidence. I look forward to the next rally.”

**Car 21. GREENSMITH/EDMONDSON**

“It's a mountain to climb. This weekend was hampered by problems. The feeling was still good. All smiles now. The best job in the world is about to get even better (World Rally Car drive in Portugal?).”

**Car 22. ROVANPERÄ/HALTTUNEN**

“It feels good. It has been not so good start of the season for us. A big thanks for the team. It was a new team for us. It was a really great rally. Next time we have to be even faster.”

**Car 23. ØSTBERG/ERIKSEN**

“It is great to see we have been able to get good speed in the car. It's disappointing to see a victory go with technical issues. I am here to win and I am not happy with that.”