



SS10 : MALIJAI / PUMICHEL 1

Date:	21.01.2023		
Day:	3	Flash N°:	15
Special Stage:	10	Distance :	17,31 km
Weather:	0°C – Clear weather		
Road conditions:	Dry conditions		

SS10: Ogier pleases his fans

It is one of the classic stages of Rally Monte-Carlo, between Malijai and Puimichel, very close to Digne-les-Bains, and it is also "the closest stage to Gap and the area where I live, so there were lots of fans, thanks for the support", said Sébastien Ogier after setting the best time in SS10 (17.31km), "a very nice old-school stage, with a lot of bumps", added the eight-time World Champion.

This was already his 7th stage win out of 10 in this 91st edition, in front of a host of spectators, in full sun, cooled down by the icy wind. Ogier managed it with a very small margin, four tenths of a second quicker than Elfyn Evans and 1.1 second better than Kalle Rovanperä, who had just clocked the best time in SS9.

This was also another 1-2-3 for Toyota Gazoo Racing in this rally, ahead of Thierry Neuville (Hyundai Motorsport).

Again 4th in raw performance, the Belgian driver is more than ever in search of another podium in the WRC, for lack of anything better. He remains 3rd overall and does everything he can to contain Evans, who was delayed Friday morning by a puncture. The Welshman is only 19.1 seconds behind and he has eight stages left to complete a possible Toyota treble in the Principality.

At M-Sport Ford, the worries continue. Just like Pierre-Louis Loubet on Friday, Ott Tänak had a major power steering failure at km 3 in this SS10. He will have to fight all day in order to fix the issue tonight in Monaco, and then try to save a few points on Sunday.



Quotes

9. SERDERIDIS-MICLOTTE

« The grip is fantastic and the stage is long with a lot of twisty parts at the end. It was nice, really nice. »

7. LOUBET-GILSOUL

Retired for the day after SS9.

4. LAPPI-FERM

« I think we should have stiffened the car for this stage. It's high grip with a lot of small bumps here and there - at least we know for the next loop. Everything is good, so much better than yesterday. »

18. KATSUTA-JOHNSTON

« You never know how much gravel is coming from the inside, so maybe I was a bit cautious at the end. It's enjoyable but it's not so comfortable. »

6. SORDO-CARRERA

« On the first stage I did really bad. In this stage at the beginning I did bad, but at the end I was trying to do well. Sometimes the feeling is good but the times are normally not so good here now. Let's keep trying and bring the car back. »

33. EVANS-MARTIN

« I'm trying not to be on the ragged edge, I'm trying to be smooth - it's pretty abrasive. It was a clean run. »

8. TÄNAK-JÄRVEOJA

[Power steering failure. 9.2 seconds slower than Evans, drops behind him to fifth overall] « I lost the power steering. I have no power steering. After 3km, it started to go and now it's gone. »

11. NEUVILLE-WYDAEGHE

« We had a good stage. It was quite tricky and a bit dirty. Not an easy one. »

69. ROVANPERÄ-HALTTUNEN

« The beginning was quite good but on the middle section it was already quite dirty from the cuts. Not so easy, I was sliding a bit in places. »

17. OGIER-LANDAIS

[Stage win, extends rally lead to 34.6seconds] « It's a beautiful stage - for me one of the most beautiful of the rally. We had fun and there was a good rhythm. I took it a bit less in places where I thought there was a risk of punctures, but all good. »



Classifications SS10

1	#17	S. OGIER	V. LANDAIS		M	9:27.1		9:27.1
2	#33	E. EVANS	S. MARTIN		M	9:27.5	+0.4	+0.4
3	#69	K. ROVANPERÄ	J. HALTUNEN		M	9:28.2	+0.7	+1.1
4	#11	T. NEUVILLE	M. WYDAEGHE		M	9:30.7	+2.5	+3.6
5	#4	E. LAPPI	J. FERM		M	9:34.4	+3.7	+7.3
6	#18	T. KATSUTA	A. JOHNSTON			9:36.5	+2.1	+9.4
7	#8	D. TÁNAK	M. JÄRVEDJA		M	9:36.7	+0.2	+9.6
8	#6	D. SORDO	C. CARRERA		M	9:42.7	+6.0	+15.6
9	#23	O. SOLBERG	E. EDMONDSON			9:59.5	+16.8	+32.4
10	#34	P. LÓPEZ	B. ROZADA		WRC2 (DC/CC)	10:01.7	+2.2	+34.6
11	#21	Y. ROSSEL	A. DUNAND		WRC2 (D/C)	10:02.6	+0.9	+35.5
12	#27	E. CAIS	P. TESÍNSKÝ		WRC2 (DC/CC)	10:04.0	+1.4	+36.9
13	#24	ANA N. GRYZIN	ANA K. ALEKSANDROV		WRC2 (T/DC/CC)	10:04.4	+0.4	+37.3
14	#22	S. LEFEBVRE	A. MALFOY		WRC2 (D/C)	10:05.2	+0.8	+38.1
15	#20	A. FOURMAUX	A. CORIA		WRC2 (T/D/C)	10:05.8	+0.6	+38.7

After SS10

1	#17	S. OGIER	V. LANDAIS	GR Yaris Rally1 HYBRID	M	RC1	1:45:14.5		
2	#69	K. ROVANPERÄ	J. HALTUNEN	GR Yaris Rally1 HYBRID	M	RC1	1:45:49.1	+34.6	+34.6
3	#11	T. NEUVILLE	M. WYDAEGHE	i20 N Rally1 HYBRID	M	RC1	1:45:56.2	+7.1	+41.7
4	#33	E. EVANS	S. MARTIN	GR Yaris Rally1 HYBRID	M	RC1	1:46:15.3	+19.1	+1:00.8
5	#8	D. TÁNAK	M. JÄRVEDJA	Puma Rally1 HYBRID	M	RC1	1:46:21.6	+6.3	+1:07.1
6	#18	T. KATSUTA	A. JOHNSTON	GR Yaris Rally1 HYBRID		RC1	1:47:04.3	+42.7	+1:49.8
7	#6	D. SORDO	C. CARRERA	i20 N Rally1 HYBRID	M	RC1	1:47:17.8	+13.5	+2:03.3
8	#4	E. LAPPI	J. FERM	i20 N Rally1 HYBRID	M	RC1	1:47:31.2	+13.4	+2:16.7
9	#24	ANA N. GRYZIN	ANA K. ALEKSANDROV	Fabia RS	WRC2 (T/DC/CC)	RC2	1:50:27.0	+2:55.8	+5:12.5
10	#21	Y. ROSSEL	A. DUNAND	C3	WRC2 (D/C)	RC2	1:51:04.1	+37.1	+5:49.6
11	#22	S. LEFEBVRE	A. MALFOY	C3	WRC2 (D/C)	RC2	1:51:27.4	+23.3	+6:12.9
12	#34	P. LÓPEZ	B. ROZADA	i20 N	WRC2 (DC/CC)	RC2	1:51:36.0	+8.6	+6:21.5
13	#23	O. SOLBERG	E. EDMONDSON	Fabia RS		RC2	1:52:09.5	+33.5	+6:55.0
14	#20	A. FOURMAUX	A. CORIA	Fiesta MkII	WRC2 (T/D/C)	RC2	1:52:12.0	+2.5	+6:57.5
15	#27	E. CAIS	P. TESÍNSKÝ	Fabia RS	WRC2 (DC/CC)	RC2	1:52:24.7	+12.7	+7:10.2