



SS13 : MALIJAI / PUMICHEL 2

Date:	21.01.2023		
Day:	3	Flash N°:	19
Special Stage:	13	Distance :	17,31 km
Weather:	4°C – Clear weather		
Road conditions:	Dry conditions		

SS13: Neuville doubles up!

Not only did Thierry Neuville (Hyundai Motorsport) recorded his first stage win of the year in SS12, he immediately did it again by being the fastest in SS13, the second pass between Malijai and Puimichel (17.31km), in front of many fans of Sébastien Ogier massed along this pretty country road dotted with bumps.

The Belgian had once again been faster than the three leading Toyota Gazoo Racing drivers, in the following order: Kalle Rovander at 0.2 second, Elfyn Evans at 3 seconds, Sébastien Ogier at 3.9 seconds.

The eight-time World Champion, is more focused than ever on claiming an historical 9th win in the Principality on Sunday.

After SS13, Neuville is still 3rd overall, less than 10 seconds behind Rovander (2nd) who therefore has no room for error if he wants to preserve the hope, for Toyota, of a 1-2 on Sunday. Evans (4th) is now 22 seconds behind Neuville and the Japanese hat-trick no longer seems to be on the agenda, especially if no major incident happens on Sunday.



Quotes

9. SERDERIDIS-MICLOTTE

« It's completely different to the first pass. Much more difficult from my point of view. There will be things happening in there - it's very dirty. »

7. LOUBET-GILSOUL

Retired for the day after SS9.

4. LAPPI-FERM

« It was quite ok. The super-soft on the rear were not ideal but I can't do anything else. It was a good stage. »

18. KATSUTA-JOHNSTON

« At the end of the stage, maybe three times I was off the line. Not a big moment but I had understeer. »

6. SORDO-CARRERA

« I don't know. I can't do better. I tried my best but it's not enough. I have no idea. »

33. EVANS-MARTIN

« I'm not sure if I improved to be honest. There's quite a lot of loose gravel lines and it's difficult to find the balance with the risk. It's all happening pretty quick. »

8. TÄNAK-JÄRVEOJA

« It was quite dirty. It's a difficult stage for me - this is the worst stage [for the power steering]. The next one is a bit faster so it should be better. »

11. NEUVILLE-WYDAEGHE

[Fastest so far by 3.0 seconds] « We had a good stage but we had a huge jump and I feel a bit of back pain. We are here and we took a bit of time from Elfyn [Evans] so it's not too bad. We were a bit on the limit and over the limit a few times. »

69. ROVANPERÄ-HALTTUNEN

« I am quite close to the limit. When there is more dirt on the road, the car is not so easy to drive, but when it's clean I am fine. »

17. OGIER-LANDAIS

[Fourth-fastest, leads by 25.8sec with one stage remaining today] « It was quite dirty now, but all okay. We had a clean drive and a clean stage. »



Classifications SS13

1	#11	T. NEUVILLE	M. WYDAEGHE		M		9:27.6		9:27.6
2	#69	K. ROVANPERÄ	J. HALTTUNEN		M		9:27.8	+0.2	+0.2
3	#33	E. EVANS	S. MARTIN		M		9:30.6	+2.8	+3.0
4	#17	S. OGIER	V. LANDAIS		M		9:31.5	+0.9	+3.9
5	#4	E. LAPPI	J. FERM		M		9:34.2	+2.7	+6.6
6	#18	T. KATSUTA	A. JOHNSTON				9:35.4	+1.2	+7.8
7	#8	O. TÁNAK	M. JÄRVEOJA		M		9:37.3	+1.9	+9.7
8	#6	D. SORDO	C. CARRERA		M		9:40.5	+3.2	+12.9
9	#23	O. SOLBERG	E. EDMONDSON				9:59.4	+18.9	+31.8
10	#34	P. LÓPEZ	B. ROZADA			WRC2 (DC/CC)	10:02.0	+2.6	+34.4
11	#24	N. GRYAZIN	K. ALEKSANDROV			WRC2 (T/D/CC)	10:04.4	+2.4	+36.8
12	#22	S. LEFEBVRE	A. MALFOY			WRC2 (D/C)	10:05.0	+0.6	+37.4
13	#20	A. FOURMAUX	A. CORIA			WRC2 (T/D/C)	10:05.3	+0.3	+37.7
14	#21	Y. ROSSEL	A. DUNAND			WRC2 (D/C)	10:08.0	+2.7	+40.4
15	#28	C. INGRAM	C. DREW			WRC2 (DC/CC)	10:10.2	+2.2	+42.6

After SS13

1	#17	S. OGIER	V. LANDAIS	GR Yaris Rally1 HYBRID	M	RC1	2:15:31.5			
2	#69	K. ROVANPERÄ	J. HALTTUNEN	GR Yaris Rally1 HYBRID	M	RC1	2:15:57.3	+25.8	+25.8	
3	#11	T. NEUVILLE	M. WYDAEGHE	i20 N Rally1 HYBRID	M	RC1	2:16:06.6	+9.3	+35.1	
4	#33	E. EVANS	S. MARTIN	GR Yaris Rally1 HYBRID	M	RC1	2:16:29.1	+22.5	+57.6	
5	#8	O. TÁNAK	M. JÄRVEOJA	Puma Rally1 HYBRID	M	RC1	2:16:52.3	+23.2	+1:20.8	
6	#18	T. KATSUTA	A. JOHNSTON	GR Yaris Rally1 HYBRID		RC1	2:17:37.3	+45.0	+2:05.8	
7	#6	D. SORDO	C. CARRERA	i20 N Rally1 HYBRID	M	RC1	2:18:10.2	+32.9	+2:38.7	
8	#4	E. LAPPI	J. FERM	i20 N Rally1 HYBRID	M	RC1	2:18:30.6	+20.4	+2:59.1	
9	#24	N. GRYAZIN	K. ALEKSANDROV	Fabia RS		WRC2 (T/D/CC)	RC2	2:22:17.2	+3:46.6	+6:45.7
10	#21	Y. ROSSEL	A. DUNAND	C3		WRC2 (D/C)	RC2	2:23:03.9	+46.7	+7:32.4
11	#22	S. LEFEBVRE	A. MALFOY	C3		WRC2 (D/C)	RC2	2:23:35.8	+31.9	+8:04.3
12	#34	P. LÓPEZ	B. ROZADA	i20 N		WRC2 (DC/CC)	RC2	2:23:36.3	+0.5	+8:04.8
13	#20	A. FOURMAUX	A. CORIA	Fiesta MkII		WRC2 (T/D/C)	RC2	2:24:16.3	+40.0	+8:44.8
14	#28	C. INGRAM	C. DREW	Fabia Evo		WRC2 (DC/CC)	RC2	2:25:02.7	+46.4	+9:31.2
15	#23	O. SOLBERG	E. EDMONDSON	Fabia RS		RC2	2:25:32.0	+29.3	+10:00.5	