



**MEDIA ZONE GAP: WRC2 - WRC3 - NP - END DAY 1**

<b>Date :</b>	<b>23.01.2025</b>		
<b>Day :</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Flash N° :</b>	<b>6</b>

**20. SOLBERG-EDMONDSON**

"Very first day but we definitely learnt our way since we made a silly mistake. We misjudged the grip but it's okay."

**21. GRYAZIN-ALEKSANDROV**

"All fine, we are leading so it's a good feeling after the first day but for sure it was not an easy day with this kind of surface and the mud. We managed it without big mistake. There are still three days to go, we need to keep pushing until the last moment and reflect about our strategy. Now the time has come to relax and be happy."

**22. ROSSEL-DUNAND**

"This first day went pretty well, we tried to do the best we could. The conditions are very complicated, so it's up to us to be smart and not make any mistakes."

**23. GREENSMITH-ANDERSSON**

"It was good, very slippery and tricky but happy to be through. The third position is okay and ye just need to improve the speed tomorrow."

**24. DAPRÀ-GUGLIELMETTI**

"First day on wet and muddy conditions so we just drove through the stages. We tried to push in some parts but it was really difficult and risky. We built up our confidence from stage to stage."

**27. BURRI-LEVRATTI**

"Our day ended a bit badly because we had bet everything on Notre-Dame-Du-Laus with our tyre choice. Only to end up not doing the stage because of the spectators. Apart from that, we hit a rock in the first special, but we were lucky to just damage the rim without getting a puncture. In the second, we narrowly avoided a rollover. After that, I slowed down for a few kilometers thinking I had a puncture."

**30. YAMAMOTO-FULTON**

"It was much tougher than expected. There was a lot of mud in the apex so it was just about surviving. Our times were okay, so we need to keep on going like this. Tomorrow will be a different day, with maybe some snow. It's a good way to learn and I really want to finish this rally."



#### **34. ROSSEL-MERCOIRET**

“The first day went well, it was my first time on a round of the world championship and in Monte-Carlo. We weren’t far from the scratch on the first special, in the second we knew it would be dirty so I was careful. A strategy that paid off, because we stayed in the game. It was unexpected for a first day. We’ll have to try to continue like that tomorrow. We’re not taking any risks but we’re not making any mistakes.”

#### **39. SARRAZIN-COMBE**

“Two very tough special stages, we went a little bit off so it’s hard to get back into it. I’m looking forward to driving during the day because at night it was very complicated at the beginning. We wanted to finish the day and we’ll see about the rest tomorrow.”

#### **42. RUMEAU-AMBLARD**

“The whole pre-rally was very long; we were eager to start. Happy with our first stage, we didn’t really know what to expect. We tried to be focused from the start on the changing conditions. The first stage went better than the second, which was much more complicated, with ice.”

#### **45. GUEX-GUIEU**

"For my first Rallye Monte-Carlo, the first two stages were no gift. It was complicated because I'm not used to driving at night and in these conditions. We had to get into it, but we did well and we're here. Tomorrow will be another day."

#### **48. MARCHINO-OMETTO**

“Not bad, I made a mistake in the second stage. I touched the right wing of the car. Nothing too serious, fortunately. The roads are beautiful and I'm happy to be here. We'll give it our best.”

#### **56. PELAMOURGUES-POUGET**

“We were very impressed for our first time on a World Rally Championship event. We were a bit stressed in the first stage, but we gradually relaxed. I’m well surrounded, I have a fantastic co-driver and the car is great. We were even able to clinch our first scratch in the first stage. We had a puncture quite early in the second one, but we managed to finish it and only lost 13 seconds. Anecdotal when you consider the length of the rally.”

#### **58. ROYÈRE-GRENIER**

“First day a bit muddy, with a few adventures here and there. It was quite nice, this is the Rallye Monte Carlo after all.”



#### **40. DELECOUR-ROCHE**

"For the moment it's quite positive, we're trying to manage and learn, knowing that we're facing changing conditions and degraded roads. Tomorrow will be a very long day; we're going to have to manage a lot. I think what we saw tonight is a taste of what awaits us tomorrow."

#### **60. DOLCE-GIROUD**

"Not easy, but like all the first days of the Monte-Carlo. The first evening is never our cup of tea, we never manage to get into the rhythm. In the first stage we drove without taking any risks and in the second one it was frozen and thus super tricky."

#### **61. GANGUET-FRISON**

"Complicated! First stage was covered in mud on the downhill section. And the second was even worse. Right from the start we were surprised by ice, we slipped. It seems that the third would have been even worse, so it was perhaps better not to do it."

#### **62. BARNEAUD-BARNEAUD**

"Difficult! It's been a long time since we last drove and we immediately got into the fight. We didn't do too badly since we're here. I hope that during the day, tomorrow, it will be better."

#### **66. FRAU-BREYNAT**

"We made a bad tyre choice, and we paid dearly for it on the two stages. We'll see tomorrow, but it wasn't a very good first day."