

STAGE FLASH

Date: 24/3/12

Day: 1

Special Stage: SS4 Dyfi Main 1 (8.48km)

Weather:

Road Conditions:

1. Elfyn Evans / Andrew Edwards (Ford Fiesta R2)

Very dry, it is surprising how slippery it is. There would be more grip if was damper. We will look at the tyres now

28. Jonathan Greer / Damien Connelly (Citroen DS3)

It was ok, will be checking tyres to find out how hard we can push in next stage

3. Jarkko Nikara / Petri Nikara (Citroen DS3)

Stalled at the start, it was very slippery. I'm having to be careful with the rear end

4. Desi Henry / Niall Burns (Citroen DS3 R3)

Very slippery. I've not seen times but they are probably not brilliant because of my bad driving

5. Osian Pryce / Iestyn Williams (Citroen DS3)

No confidence in myself yet. Hard to find rhythm.

6. Tom Cave / Craig Parry (Citroen DS3)

Very good stage, brakes are getting very hot though

7. Jukka Korhonen / Mikael Korhonen (Skoda Fabia R2)

Some problem with car, it is running very warm

8. Jussi Kumpumaki / Marko Salminen (Ford Fiesta R2)

Not happy at all, so slippery, I feel like I'm driving like a grandma

9. Alastair Fisher / Daniel Barritt (Ford Fiesta R2)

Lots of dust but no grip

29. Egon Kaur / Erik Lepikson (Ford Fiesta R2)

Struggled with brakes, we need to change settings on the car

10. Vincent Dubert / Stephane Rey (Citroen DS3)

So difficult, grip changes so trying to do our best

30. Keith Cronin / Marshall Clarke (Citroen DS3 R3T)

That was better than first stage, I was very nervous. finding rhythm in front wheel drive again.

12. Matthew Cathcart / James Morgan (Ford Fiesta R2)

Getting used to this car again, we will keep pushing on the next stage

14. Jack Rowe / James Aldridge (Ford Fiesta R2)

[hazard lights on] We have lost second gear, driving very slow in third

15. Niko-Pekka Nieminen / Pasi Haataja (Ford Fiesta R2)

Nice but slippy

18. James Grint / Craig Drew (Citroen DS3)

We have a very good setup but going steady, we hope to get better as day goes on

19. Chris Ingram / Joe Cruttenden (Renault Twingo R2)

This is the best experience of my life! Absolutely amazing, just going to keep the momentum going from that one.

20. Steve Rokland / Dag Nordstrand (Ford Fiesta)

Much better feeling now, finding a nice flow and gaining experience

21. Alex Parpottas / Chris Davies (Ford Fiesta R2)

Very tough, getting quick and taking in notes at a faster pace, had one small moment.

22. Gethin Jones / Kevin Devine (Ford Fiesta ST)

That was good for me, not too sure about my health at this age. Good fun but driving was a bit scrappy

23. Nick Allen / Andy Bull (Renault Twingo)

I'm very pleased. It is taking a bit to get settled and not too happy with the driving but the car setup is ok.

24. Matt Cotton / Glyn Thomas (Ford Fiesta ST)

I need to try harder, this is the first time back in the car after Sunseeker

27. Garry Pearson / Craig Wallace (Renault Twingo R1)

I was held up passing a C2 and there was lots of dust. Not the best of starts but hope to get better.

25. Christian South / Tomas Whittle (Citroen C2 Max)

Very good