

## STAGE FLASH

**Date:** 17/8/12  
**Day:** 1  
**Special Stage:** SS1 Knockboy (7.95km)

R1. Keith Cronin (IRL) / Marshall Clarke (GBR) (Citroen DS3 R3T)  
Didn't go mad. Stalled but didn't drop too much time. I have no need to win.

R2. Tom Cave (GBR) / Craig Parry (GBR) (Citroen DS3 R3)  
Spun on a tight left hander. I couldn't get reverse and had to restart the car.

R3. Mark Donnelly (GBR) / Dai Roberts (GBR) (Renault Clio R3)  
Clean run, but having trouble with gears. Having to use the clutch.

R4. Elfyn Evans (GBR) / Philip Pugh (GBR) (Ford Fiesta R2)  
Difficult in places but generally ok.

R5. Alastair Fisher (GBR) / Daniel Barritt (GBR) (Ford Fiesta R2)  
Too cautious maybe. I dropped time to Elfyn.

R6. Guy Wilks (GBR) / David Moynihan (IRL) (Renault Twingo R2 Evo)  
Bit rusty, expecting a damper rally but the car coped.

R8. Desi Henry (GBR) / Barry McNulty (GBR) (Citroen DS3 R3)  
Steady run, slippery in places.

R9. Jonathan Greer (GBR) / Gordon Noble (GBR) (Citroen DS3 R3)  
Damp in places, inters on rear so it's nervous on the fast stuff.

R10. Osian Pryce (GBR) / Iestyn Williams (GBR) (Citroen DS3 R3)  
Happy, lots of mud pulled out by World cars though.

R12. Jukka Korhonen (FIN) / Mikael Korhonen (FIN) (Skoda Fabia R2)  
Quite ok, it's fast and no mistakes.

R14. Matthew Cathcart (GBR) / James Morgan (GBR) (Ford Fiesta R2)  
A bit wide over a jump, very nearly got caught out. It's taking some time to get back into it after the Jim Clark

R16. Callum Black (GBR) / Paul Wakely (GBR) (Citroen DS3 R3T)  
We're expecting rain so the car is moving around too much on inters. Not much we can do until service.

R17. Jussi Kumpumaki (FIN) / Jani Salo (FIN) (Ford Fiesta R2)

Weird noise in the engine. Drives fine but not sure.

R21. Chris Ingram (GBR) / Stephen McAuley (Renault Twingo R2 Evo)

Had a bad landing, the car is dodgy over the bumps.

R22. Ruary MacLeod (GBR) / Paul Beaton (GBR) (Ford Fiesta R2)

Slippy under the trees and the car got bogged down a few times.

R23. Niko-Pekka Nieminen (FIN) / T Suominen (FIN) (Ford Fiesta R2)

Only our second tarmac rally and the first one didn't last very long!

R25. Gethin Jones (GBR) / Kevin Devine (GBR) (Ford Fiesta ST)

Very entertaining! A definite wake up call! Glad I changed to the slicks on the road section.

R26. James Grint (GBR) / Craig Drew (GBR) (Citroen DS3 R3)

The car is not quite right. No confidence, we stalled twice at the start.

R30. Arron Newby (GBR) / Martyn Taylor (GBR) (Skoda Fabia R2)

It feels good, we're getting back into it. Had a small overshoot on a hairpin right.

R32. James Ford (GBR) / Neil Coleman (GBR) (Citroen C2R2 Max)

Wrong tyres, we're on full wets.

R33. Alex Parpottas (GBR) / Chris Davies (GBR) (Ford Fiesta R2)

Expected wetter. Solid run but we cooked the front tyres.

R36. Garry Pearson (GBR) / Craig Wallace (GBR) (Renault Twingo R1)

Really cautious, only looking to finish for the championship.

R37. Steve Rokland (NOR) / Tom Andre Haldammen (NOR) (Ford Fiesta R1)

Absolutely fantastic! Really have to listen to the notes in there.