

Forget jumping out of a plane and contemporary art. Let's get this second-half started...

Trois-Rivieres is a fantastic place. Nice river, lovely restaurants and really friendly people. But it was definitely missing something until this morning.

This morning the boys fired up not one but two PSRX Citroen DS3 Supercars. My team-mate this week will be Estonian driver Sten Oja, it's really exciting to see how he's going to get on.

But that's what was missing. It was my favourite noise – a 600bhp engine – and the smell of fuel being burned by internal combustion. Forget the holidays, its time to go racing again. *Finally!*

Leaving Stockholm for the long trip across the Atlantic on Sunday, Pernilla, Oliver and I couldn't have been in a better mood. We left as winners after Oliver made a fantastic race in the NEZ/Norwegian Crosskart Championship in Flisa. Honestly, our boy was incredible – so quick.

Oliver's result has really got me motivated and really so excited to make a winning start to the second half of the FIA World Rallycross Championship – just like we made a winning start to the first half.

The team came out on Friday and arriving with them in Canada was great, it was like the big family was back together again. And it's nice to be in a really big place where they are so welcoming to us all. They want to see us race here and we want to put on the big show for them. I promise you, we will do that!

With this being a street track, we are limited to racing only on Friday, which means we have some time to take a look around the city and at the three rivers which the place is named after. But, guys, you know me, I'm all about the cars. Pernilla asked me if I wanted to go to the national exhibition of contemporary sculpture... Honestly, a few things looked like somebody had got halfway through building something from IKEA and given up. I don't think art is for me.

I found another leaflet advertising Parachutisme Adrenaline in the hotel. The leaflet told me "Nothing beats jumping out of a plane at 13000 feet."

Yes it does: launching my racecar into the lead on Friday night.

Now, can we please go racing!

Championship positions:

1 Petter Solberg	125pts
2 Reinis Nitiss	122pts
3 Toomas Heikkinen	117pts
4 Andreas Bakkerud	99pts
5 Anton Marklund	85pts
6 Timmy Hansen	78pts

Last time out...

Petter ended the first half of the season on top of the world. And, had it not been for broken suspension, he would have become the only driver to take two wins in part one of the 2014 FIA World Rallycross Championship. As it is, he slipped from first to fourth in the final corner. (World RX of Belgium, Circuit Jules Tacheny, July 12/13)

Circuit:

Length: 1.351km
Width: 10-19m
Tarmac: 59%
Dirt 41%
Website: gp3r.com

Timetable

Friday August 8
1230 practice
1500 qualifying heats
2030 semi-final
2105 final

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