

News release  
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World RX of Argentina preview (with a little bit of ROC thrown in...)

## **Petter ready to tango one more time after London win**

### **Goodbye London, hello South America.**

This one is a busy week. We had a lot of fun at the Race of Champions on Friday and Saturday, but now it's time for the last long flight of the season; the flight to the home of the Condor. Argentina.

After 12 incredible races, we come down to the last weekend. For me the job is simple: make the semi-final. If I get there, then history is made. But, like we know very, very well now, nothing is simple – certainly not winning a world championship.

We have the chance to make something special at World RX of Argentina in Rosario this weekend.

I must admit, I don't know so much about the track. It's a new one and, it seems, this is quite good for me – I won every final at a new track this year. This time, though, I don't have to win. I have to be safe. That's the key. We have the strategy and everything is aiming at the semi-final and the five points we need so badly.

Now, I just want to get off the plane in Argentina and get on with the racing.

Love racing, hate waiting.

We have been waiting a really long time for this race – the last round in Italy (October 17/18) seems like ages ago. The Race of Champions was a great opportunity to meet some old friends and get a little bit of seat time before we get to the track in Rosario.

I must admit, I love the Race of Champions format – it's fantastic for the crowd and so entertaining. OK, to make me feel better, it would be nice if they made at least half of the track into gravel, but that wasn't possible in London this time.

It was an incredible feeling to compete in the Olympic Stadium, so many memories coming back from London 2012. Tom Kristensen and I were together again for Team Nordic and looking to defend our Nations' Cup title from last year. Unfortunately, we lost in the semi-final.

I'm happy to say I did win the ROC Skills Challenge – I really showed those Formula 1 guys how to park a car!

Seriously though, London was a lot of fun and a great city – even riding on the tube train was cool.

But now, it's time for business.

**Circuit:**

Length: 1033m

Max width: 13m

Min width: 11m

Tarmac: 60%

Dirt 40%

Website: [www.rxargentina.com](http://www.rxargentina.com)

**Timetable – all local times**

Saturday November 28

1100 practice

1430 heat 1

1600 heat 2

Sunday November 29

0900 warm up

1030 heat 3

1330 heat 4

1435 semi-final/final

**Last time out... (World RX of Italy, October 17/18)**

Victory in two from four heats, second in the semi-final and third in the final of World RX of Italy took Petter agonisingly close to a second FIA World Rallycross title. The Norwegian once again took the sensible route, stayed out of trouble and steered the PSRX Supercar to the bottom step of the podium at Franciacorta last month.

**Argentina in números:**

**1** is the number of Lionel Messis coming from Rosario

**5** is how many presidents Argentina had in 10 days in 2001

**14** lanes makes Buenos Aires' Avenue of the 9th of July the widest avenue in the world

**17** is how many muscles it takes to smile. Let's hope Petter's using them all on Sunday

**43** is how many muscles it takes to frown. Petter hasn't used them in years. And has no intention of starting...

**130** is how many fascinating numbers Petter has brought you this year. Actually, 129 – this one's a bit dull

**312** is how many goals superstar footballer Diego Maradona scored in his professional career

**12,742** kilometres is how far Argentina is from China – going through the centre of the earth

**1,498,400** tonnes of wine is produced – and 90 per cent is drunk in Argentina

**3,000,000** tonnes is how much beef Argentina produces each year

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