

Solberg starts the race within the race

Do you know what colour shirt you'll be wearing on Wednesday. Wednesday August 6, that is?

I do.

And no, this isn't some kind of question about the World Cup. I know because I've already packed my team kit for one week in August...

I thought I knew what it was like to be busy. But actually, I didn't.

Right now I'm thinking about the strategy for this week's World RX of Finland in Kouvola. In the back of my mind, I'm also thinking to the Höljes race in Sweden next week. And, yesterday, we were working on the Belgian round which starts just five days after Sweden.

And, don't forget, in the middle of all of this, we've also started packing the flyaway kit for our first longhaul meeting of the season in Canada. That race might not run until August, but because we're shipping most of our stuff across the Atlantic, we have to make sure it's all packed, ready and at the docks very, very soon.

That's how I know what I'm wearing six Wednesdays from today.

Getting the logistics right for the next three weeks is vital to success this season, which is why we have approached this period with military precision. Everything has to be right for the PSRX team.

Because I have such a good group of people around me, I can now focus on what I have to do in Finland. Last time out in Norway, I settled for second place. There was a chance; I could have taken the fight to [Reinis] Nitiss and forced the issue a little bit more in the last couple of corners. But if I did that and it went wrong, I wouldn't be starting the fourth round of the World Rallycross Championship three points off the top of the table.

You know me, I want to win every race, but we have to be sensible.

You need a clear head *and* a big heart to win a world championship.

And in Finland, I want to show I have both. Like the roads I used to rally on in this country, the Kouvola track is fast, very fast.

And, guess what... there's a jump. Finland wouldn't be Finland without some airtime!

So, here we go. Fasten your seatbelts and don't unbuckle them for the next three races. Two weeks on Sunday, I think we will have a clearer picture of the world title fight – we will know the answer to who is still in the game and who's not.

And we'll know who's won the race within the race.

**Championship positions:**

1 Reinis Nitiss	72pts
<b>2 Petter Solberg</b>	<b>69pts</b>
3 Topi Heikkinen	59pts
4 Andreas Bakkerud	57pts
5 Timur Timerzyanov	41pts
6 Anton Marklund	39pts

**Last time out...**

Petter arrived in the final on the back of victory in heat four and his semi-final. He then finished runner-up in the final, just one second off victory in his home World RX round. (World RX of Norway, Hell, June 14/15)

**Circuit:**

Length: 1.060km  
Width: 12-18m  
Tarmac: 58%  
Dirt 42%  
Website: rxfinland.fi

**Timetable**

Saturday June 28  
1100 free practice  
1330 heats

Sunday June 29  
0900 warm-up/qualifying heats  
1500 finals  
1725 podium

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