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THE 2023 SAFARI RALLY KENYA IN BRIEF

2023 Safari Rally Kenya will expand from the 2021 and 2022 editions to add to the great African experience. The event starts with the Super Special in Nairobi, before the main action starts with the same opening loop as 2022; Loldia, Geothermal and Kedong. Saturday heads to the Delemare Estates, the backbone of the Safari Rally since its inception.

Sunday holds many challenges for those crews aiming for a finish, with 80kms of competition before the finish with Hells Gate Power Stage.

19 Special Stages and over 360kms make up the 2023 Safari Rally Kenya route.



MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT WILLIAM RUTO



*His Excellency Hon. William Samoei Ruto, PhD., C.G.H.
President of the Republic of Kenya and
Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces*

In 1953, a group of motorsport enthusiasts gathered to commemorate the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II of England who had been on holiday in Kenya when she received the news of her father's death, King George VI in 1952

That commemoration birthed the Safari Rally, one of the most iconic sporting events in the world, and a proud Kenyan brand famous for its picturesque setting, gruelling courses and intense competitiveness

This year, we celebrate the 70th anniversary of the Safari Rally, its contribution to our country and, fittingly, the men and women who have made this event possible in the last 70 years.

The Safari Rally is a part of Kenya's DNA. Thousands of children across the country grew up dreaming of becoming rally aces and thousands more built their own toy cars to participate in their own way in the magic of the Safari Rally.

These children were inspired by the exploits of Kenya's legendary drivers. For the independence generation, there was Shekhar Mehta, Joginder Singh, Vic Preston Senior, Nick Norwicki, John Manussis, Peter Hughes and Bert Shankland.

There was also the pioneering class of African drivers Karoki Gikaria, co-driven by Otinda Odongo, and Maina Kipsoke and Toiyon Kipsoke who competed in the 1958 Safari Rally. Others were J. Mwangi and N. Muriu in 1962, and S. Mwangi and K. Karare in 1963.

Fearless Manduli lit the way for Kenyan female rally drivers. Manduli competed in the 1974 and 1975 Safari Rally when the event was toughest in the World Rally Championship (WRC) calendar

Ladies crew of Ann Teith and Sylvia King who made their Safari Rally debut in 1970 in a Datsun 1600sss entered Kenya's premier motorsport event when the rally was very rough

The next generation of rally aces to take the wheel comprised Mike Kirkland, Rob Collinge, Patrick Njiru, Jonathan Toroitich, Phineas Kimathi,, Ian Duncan and Carl Tundo.

And for the future, we have young stars McRae Kimathi, Hamza Anwar and Jeremiah Wahome.

It is not possible to put into words the pride, joy and sense of awe we have experienced over the years watching Kenyan drivers take on the world's best and beat them on home soil. We look back with satisfaction at the journey of the Safari Rally and the lifetime of memories and magic that it has given us.

The Safari Rally remains a part of our heritage, a national point of pride, and a unifying agent with millions of Kenyans still actively subscribed to the Safari Rally experience.

The Safari Rally returned to the Federation Internationale De l' Automobile Federation (FIA) high-profile World Rally Championship (WRC) on September 27, 2019, and for the last three years has evolved from a sporting event to a major economic activity and one of Brand Kenya's most vibrant assets.

According to a study commissioned by the Tourism Institute, the Safari Rally contributed KSh63 billion (\$456.5 million) in Total Tourism Internal Demand to the economy in the 2021-22 period. In addition, the last two editions of the WRC Safari were the most watched on social media in WRC history.

Our rallying legends are a big part of why the Safari Rally means this much to us as a country. We celebrate you and we thank you for your tireless efforts, your passion for this sport and the many moments of magic that are a part of who we are now and for generations to come.

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***His Excellency Hon. William Samoei Ruto, PhD, C.G.H.
President of the Republic of Kenya
and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces***



FIA SPECTATORS' GREEN GUIDE

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LEAD THE WAY

LOVE YOUR SPORT

MESSAGE FROM THE CABINET SECRETARY



Few things have captured the imagination of a country, region and global audience for the past 70 years like the Safari Rally Kenya.

The Safari Rally has proudly evolved from a casual fun motoring event at inception in 1953 to a behemoth of a global sporting extravaganza 70 years down the line. From those humble beginnings by a group of motor enthusiasts to Commemorate the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II of England, the Safari Rally peaked a decade later with the first factory teams coming from across the world, going head-to-head for top honours.

The unforgettable two editions of 1963 (The Unsinkable Seven) and '68 (The Magnificent Seven) when only seven drivers finished the gruelling drive in each of the years only enhanced the reputation of the Safari as the "Toughest in the World". It became an instant hit with the World Rally Championship (WRC) when it launched in 1974. And after a 19-year hiatus from 2002, as a nation we were overjoyed when the Safari returned to the WRC circuit in 2021.

Even in the month of June, the Safari Rally remains a gripping must-watch magnet that dwarfs other major sporting events in the status of Tour de France cycling, Wimbledon tennis, Euro football fixtures and Formula 1 racing.

The Safari Rally bears enormous socio-economic benefits for our country, from tourism and trade to the revolutionary agenda of sports for climate action. We are particularly pleased that we are effectively deploying "rally time" to amplify our greening legacy project as we make a substantive contribution to the national target of growing 15 billion trees in ten years, by 2032. At the Safari Rally we are leading from the front in taking responsibility for the environment by growing 70,000 commemorative trees this season alone for the 70th Anniversary of the Safari.

And in sync with the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA), we have rejigged the event to deliberately and intentionally empower Kenyan youth and other entrepreneurs through the revolutionary Hustla Bazaar and Sports Safari initiative. We have introduced customized spaces for Kenyans to do business within the Safari ecosystem. Entrepreneurs and creatives at the bottom of the commercial pyramid have been allocated "hustle" and "sherehe" zones to undertake their various activities and get money directly into their pockets during the event (pesa mfukoni). This dovetails perfectly with our government policy to uplift livelihoods of all.

Another special milestone in the celebration of the 70-year heritage of the Safari is the exciting launch of Kenya's first ever Rallying School unveiled by President William Ruto on 9th June, 2023. The school will run under the Kenya Academy of Sports (KAS) supported by Government and partners. The Government of Kenya is also sponsoring five women crews in the 2023 heritage edition of the Safari Rally.

Indeed, the Government of President William Ruto fully supports the Safari Rally, and on this auspicious occasion celebrating the 70th Anniversary of this special Kenyan heritage, I salute our gallant legends that have decorated each one of these years with their passion, sweat, tears and stirring triumphs of diverse complexions. I also applaud our partners for this heritage event for their outstanding support. Thank you, Kenya Commercial Bank (KCB), CFAO Motors (formerly Toyota Kenya), Safaricom, Kenya Broadcasting Corporation (KBC) and Kenya Airways, the Pride of Africa.

On behalf of the Ministry of Youth Affairs, the Arts and Sports who are the main sponsors for the Safari Rally, I welcome you all to the magical spirit of the ever-riveting Safari. To our international guests, Karibuni Kenya, the land of Hakuna Matata!

Hon Ababu-Terrah Namwamba, EGH
Cabinet Secretary
Ministry of Youth Affairs, the Arts and Sports

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY



Dear Rally Fanatics,

It is with immense sense of pride that the State Department for Sports extends a heartfelt welcome to all motorsport enthusiasts from across the globe. It is our joy and pleasure to invite you to join us in a celebration of what has been nothing but thrilling **70 years** of the legendary Kenyan Safari Rally experience.

The Safari Rally holds a sacred place in the history of motorsport, capturing the attention and igniting the adrenaline of fans worldwide. This year, we come together once again, to pay tribute to this awe-inspiring legacy and commemorate seven decades of heart-stopping moments, unparalleled display of skill, and the unyielding spirit of exploration.

As you join us on this extraordinary adventure, brace yourself to witness the fusion of passion and precision as some of the world's finest drivers tackle the dreaded rugged terrains in the middle of the untamed wilderness of Kenya. Brace yourself for a symphony of roaring engines, swirling dust, and the thunderous applause of a global audience, united by a shared love for the sport.

The Safari Rally 2023 promises an experience like no other. Our dedicated team of organizers, in collaboration with renowned motorsport experts, has painstakingly crafted a route that challenges both the man and the machine. From the sprawling savannahs to the treacherous hilly fields, each twist and turn will put the drivers' manoeuvring skills, courage, and endurance to the ultimate test.

In addition to the breathtaking race itself and in the spirit of true Kenyan hospitality, we have assembled a series of captivating activities that will undoubtedly leave an indelible mark in your memory. We implore you to delight yourself in the rich cultural heritage of our nation, to savour the exquisite flavours of our cuisine, and feel the rhythm of our traditional music that melts the hearts of our people, and define what "being Kenyan" is all about. Suffice to say, this Rally is not just a sporting event; it offers you an opportunity to delve deep into the soul of a nation.

There is so much more to enjoy in Kenya; from our beautiful coastal beaches to the breath-taking sceneries of our highlands and the several wild reserves boasting of rich wildlife spread across the country, and we invite you to take time and sample what makes our nation a top tourism destination.

To the unwavering fans who have religiously followed the Safari Rally throughout the years, words alone cannot express the level of gratitude we owe you. The sustained support you have continuously rendered this event has been the driving force behind the success of the Rally and we are honoured to share this significant milestone with you. To those joining us for the very first time, we welcome you to experience a spectacle, that has captivated generations and unified an entire nation for decades.

Being a fan favourite event, attracting thousands of spectators, we cannot underscore enough, the need to enjoy the Rally responsibly, by adhering to our Marshalls' instructions while also being sensitive to the environment, and to the people around you. We in the Ministry have stepped up environment conservation efforts through the Safari Rally Legacy Projects, through which we aim to plant 19 million by the end of 2024, among other projects. So far, we have managed to plant 8.5 million trees countrywide.

Finally, ladies and gentlemen, as we set off this remarkable celebration, let us spare a moment of thought, for the heroes and heroines of yesteryears, who through sheer vigour and passion for the sport, conquered these lands, making the Safari Rally a significant part of our heritage.

Their stories have been told, but perhaps not as loudly as they should be. In honour and in recognition of their exploits, the Ministry recently held a commemorative dinner, where Rally legends were recognized and duly celebrated for the joy they brought to our homes. We will ensure that their place is forever etched in the Safari Rally's glamorous history.

As enjoy and embrace the present, let us reminisce on the past while eagerly anticipating the future; where new legends will undoubtedly emerge-men and women who will dare push forward the boundaries-beyond what we have hitherto thought possible.

Folks, the WRC Safari Rally 2023 beckons you to be part of an adventure like no other. One thing I can guarantee, is that you will be entertained. Therefore, sit back, buckle up, relax and prepare to partake of our shared passion, and discover exactly what sets Safari Rally apart.

Together, let us create an atmosphere that resonates with the very essence of motorsport; Thrill!

**Eng. Peter Tum, CBS
Principal Secretary,
State Department for Sports**

MESSAGE FROM THE ASN PRESIDENT



Kenya is proud to welcome the local and international rally fraternity to celebrate the 70th Anniversary of Safari Rally Kenya.

The year 2023 is very special for Kenya whose history is intrinsically intertwined with the

Safari Rally for the last seven decades. It is a year of many anniversaries.

The Safari was founded in 1953 by a group of motorsport enthusiasts who decided to commemorate the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II through a long distance rally event through East Africa for five days.

Princess Elizabeth was on a visit to Kenya in February 1952 when she learnt of the death of her father, King George VI and returned home from Kenya, a Queen.

The month of May 2023, Britain celebrated a second Coronation in 70 years - of the eldest son, King Charles II of the United Kingdom and Commonwealth realms.

Kenyan gained independence from Britain in 1963, the year which defined the Safari as the "Toughest Rally in the World" after only seven drivers finished the 5,000 km, fondly remembered as the "Unsinkable Seven".

Kenya too is celebrating the 60th Independence Day this year. We are also celebrating our 50th Anniversary in the FIA World Rally Championship, and crucially, 20 years after Safari Rally's return in the WRC after sitting out between 2003 and 2020.

These milestones will be shared by Kenyans and our new His Excellency Hon. William Samoei Ruto who will have the honour of flagging off the Safari Rally on June 23rd at Uhuru Park in central Nairobi to join his predecessors - Jomo Kenyatta, Daniel Arap Moi, Mwai Kibaki and Uhuru Kenyatta in continuing this very Kenyan tradition.

Indeed our Presidents are credited for the survival and wellbeing of the Safari Rally and motorsports during their illustrious tenures in office.

I wish to thank the President for his Government's support especially in making this year's historic celebrations a resounding success.

I also extend the same to the FIA President Mohamed Ben Sulayem, the WRC Promoter, teams, drivers and sponsors.

We have laid out a great party, a memorable anniversary, and above all a very competitive WRC Safari Rally.

We are tying this up with our Greening Legacy Project to plant 19 million trees to mark the 19 years the Safari was absent from the WRC.

Karibu KenyaFICER

Phineas Kimathi
ASN President



The Safari Rally has been an intrinsic part of the sporting heritage of East Africa. It was first held from May 27th to the June 1st 1953, as the East African Coronation Safari, running through Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika, as a celebration of the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II.

Some 20 years later, in 1973, the East African Safari Rally became the Safari Rally and joined the FIA World Rally Championship series.

The Safari Rally ran successfully as one of the toughest rallies of the FIA World Rally Championship from 1973 (with Shekhar Mehta and Lofty Drews guiding their Datsun 240Z to victory) to 2002 with a famous victory for Colin McRae and Nicky Grist in a Ford Focus on the 50th edition of the event.

The year 2003 saw the exit of the Safari Rally from the WRC, and was off the circuit for the next 19 years. But in July, 2019, the 67th edition of

the Safari Rally was run as a WRC Candidate Rally, with the anticipatory hopes of a nation clinging on for a successful re-entry into what is today, a premier motorsport series, watched and followed by hundreds of millions of eager fans around the world. In September 27, 2019, the Safari Rally was readmitted into the WRC series calendar, starting with the 2021 rally.

Today, I am proud and honoured to say that the endless months of relentless work put in by the organising team in 2021 and 2022 resulted in a WRC event befitting its historical name - full of drama, excitement and surprises!

In 2022, the Hybrid Rally1 cars made their Championship debut.

With change comes challenge and this year will be no different in terms of the competition. With the return of the short, Malewa Stage and deviations from the deep dust pans of Kedong, the new crop of WRC rally cars are in for an action-packed rally week with the top challengers all aiming to conquer the most unpredictable of rallies on the WRC calendar.

Kenya welcomes you to the 2023 FIA World Rally Championship, and to the 2023 WRC Safari Rally!

Carl Tundo
Chairman of the Organising Committee
WRC Safari Rally Kenya

Winner of the Safari Rally in 1995, 2004, 2009, 2011, 2012 and 2018
Winner FIA Africa Rally Champion 2021

Carl "Flash" Tundo (born 11 December 1973 in Nairobi) is a rally driver from Kenya. He is a five times winner of the Safari Rally. In 2009 it was a round of the Intercontinental Rally Challenge, making Tundo the first and only Kenyan winner of an IRC round. His co-driver has been Tim Jessop since 2002. The son of Kenyan rally driver Frank Tundo, Flash has competed in the WRC Safari Rally, in 1995, 2002, 2021 and in 2022

MESSAGE FROM THE CLERK OF COURSE



In July, 2019, the 67th edition of the Safari Rally was run as a WRC Candidate Rally, nearly 2 decades since its exit from the WRC Calendar. With the anticipatory hopes of a nation clinging on for a successful re-entry into what is today's premier motorsport series, watched and followed by hundreds of millions of eager fans around the world.

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With change comes challenge and this year will be no different. From the 19th to the 25th of June 2023, we are in for an action-packed 70th Safari Rally, with all the top challengers aiming to conquer the most unpredictable of rallies on the calendar.

Kenya welcomes you to the 2023 FIA World Rally Championship, and to the 2023 FIA WRC Safari Rally.

**Gurvir Bhabra HSC
Clerk of the Course
WRC Safari Rally Kenya**



Marking its 70th anniversary this year, the Safari is known as one of rallying's toughest challenges and made a welcome comeback to the FIA World Rally Championship calendar in 2021. TGR-WRT has won both editions held since – doing so in style last year with an incredible 1-2-3-4 finish that also secured a record-extending 10th victory for Toyota on the event.

All four drivers who played a part in that historic result return this year. Reigning world champion Kalle Rovanperä (who leads the current standings by 25 points) took victory last year ahead of Elfyn Evans, and they are joined by 2021 winner Sébastien Ogier to form the team's manufacturer line-up. Takamoto Katsuta, who claimed his first WRC podium finishes in Kenya in '21 and '22, drives an additional GR YARIS Rally1 HYBRID with the support of the TGR WRC Challenge Program.

While the Safari used to be held over incredibly long stages on roads that were still open to the public, it now features a format similar to other modern WRC rounds, but still poses many unique challenges of its own. Some sections of the gravel stages are extremely rough and rocky, while others consisting of soft sand can be just as hard to navigate. Rain can also dramatically change the conditions, and turn a dry and dusty surface into deep mud in an instant.

The rally route is similar to last year, with shakedown taking place on Wednesday before the event begins from the Kenyan capital of Nairobi on Thursday lunchtime. The nearby Kasarani super special stage then kick-starts the competitive action.

Friday is based around Lake Naivasha, around 100 kilometres north-west of Nairobi and where the service park is also located; an anti-clockwise loop of three stages around the lake will be run twice either side of mid-day service.

Saturday is the longest day of the rally, taking crews north to Lake Elmenteita for another trio of repeated tests.

On Sunday there are two more loops of three stages around Lake Naivasha, starting with a reworked version of the Malewa test last run in 2021 and ending with Hell's Gate, which hosts the rally-ending Power Stage. A total of 355.92 competitive kilometres will be driven across the weekend.

A concept car, the Hilux MHEV, will be also driven as a test car in Kenya. The goal is to demonstrate and offer options for achieving carbon neutrality in markets like the African continent with underdeveloped infrastructure. Juha Kankkunen, the Toyota rally legend and three-time Safari Rally winner, will be behind the wheel.

The Safari Rally History

The Safari Rally was first held in 1953, as the East African Coronation Safari in Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika, as in celebration of the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II.

In 1960 it was renamed the East African Safari Rally and kept that name until 1974, when it became the Kenya Safari Rally. Widely regarded as one of the most popular African rallies. It made its return to the World Rally Championship (WRC) in 2021 after a 19-year hiatus.

The older version of the Safari Rally was notorious for being the most difficult rally in the World championship. Some had said that winning this particular rally was the equivalent of winning three other rallies.

The arduous conditions, such as the constantly changing weather and the very rough roads often made life very difficult for team personnel. Repairs were constantly having to be made to the cars, which added to the elapsed time of the competitors.

Frequently, all this work had to be done in intense heat and humidity. The event adopted the special stage format in 1996. From that edition until 2002, it featured over 1000 km of timed stages, with stages well over 60 kilometres long, unlike most rallies which had under 500 kilometres of total timed distance.

The event exited from the WRC calendar in 2003. Since 2003 the event has been part of the FIA African Rally Championship, organized by Kenya Motorsports Federation.

The 2021 rally ran successfully between 23rd and 27th June, earning it's rightful place back amongst the greatest WRC events in the world.

The world was intrigued as to how Safari Rally could fit into a modern WRC. Central service, modern cars etc. Words used to describe the event by legends; "Bellissima!" Tiziano Siviero & Miki Biasion





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CALENDAR 2023

FIA WORLD RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP

1 19-22 JAN JAN RALLYE MONTE-CARLO	2 09-12 FEB FEB RALLY SWEDEN	3 16-19 MAR MAR GUANAJUATO RALLY MÉXICO	4 20-23 APR APR CROATIA RALLY	5 11-14 MAY MAY VODAFONE RALLY DE PORTUGAL	6 01-04 JUN JUN RALLY ITALIA SARDEGNA
7 22-25 JUN JUN SAFARI RALLY KENYA	8 20-23 JUL JUL RALLY ESTONIA	9 03-06 AUG AUG SECTO RALLY FINLAND	10 07-10 SEP SEP EKO ACROPOLIS RALLY GREECE	11 28-01 SEP OCT COPEC RALLY CHILE	12 26-29 OCT OCT CENTRAL EUROPE RALLY
13 16-19 NOV NOV FORUM8 RALLY JAPAN					

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The 2023 FIA WRC Safari Location: Naivasha

The original name of Naivasha is drawn from the Maasai dialect, “Nai Posha,” which means “Rough Water.” It was used to refer to the frequent storms that would frequent Lake Naivasha. Naivasha is 95 kilometres west of Nairobi and is accessible by road.

Recently, the standard gauge railway (SGR) was extended from Nairobi to Naivasha. With the Kenya Ports Authority having recently set up an Inland Container Depot in Naivasha, it means cargo can now be transported by rail from the port of Mombasa all the way to Naivasha. By 2030 Kenya aims to have 5,530 MW of geothermal power or 51% of total capacity.

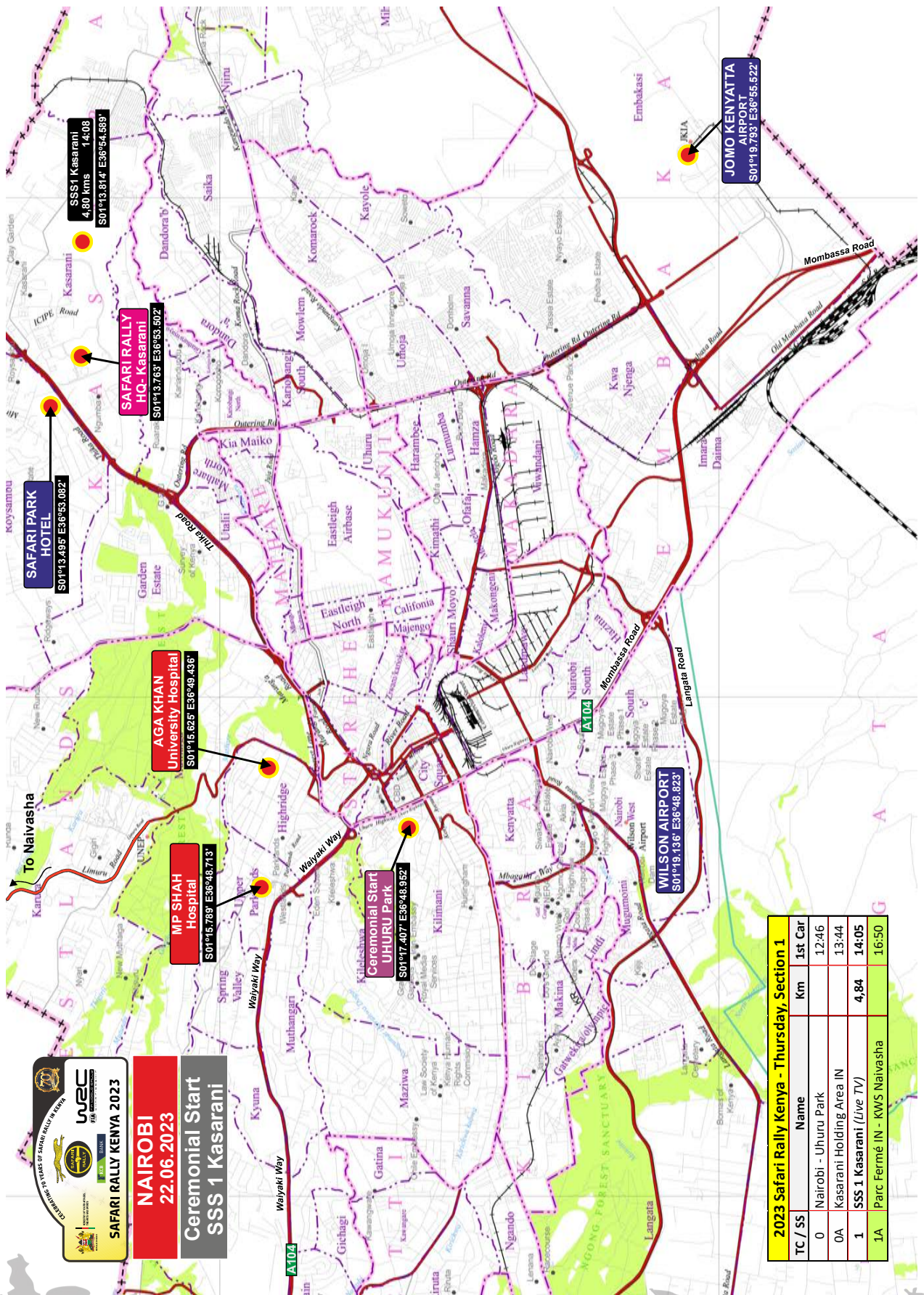
This will make it Kenya’s largest source of clean electricity. Kenya is the leading producer of geothermal energy on the African continent and 8th in the world.

The Nation has helped set a valuable precedent for building green infrastructure and implementing sustainable poverty-reduction efforts. Kenya is a holiday destination for many reasons. There are tourists who come to Kenya for the sunny beaches, for the culture and others for our wildlife.

Kenya is home to the big five and it would be such a sad story for one to come to Kenya and not take time to go see them. It is even a sadder state of affairs if you are Kenyan and have never taken time to go see what others travel air-miles to see.



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SAFARI RALLY KENYA 2023

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Ceremonial Start
SSS 1 Kasarani

2023 Safari Rally Kenya - Thursday, Section 1

TC / SS	Name	Km	1st Car
0	Nairobi - Uhuru Park		12:46
0A	Kasarani Holding Area IN		13:44
1	SSS 1 Kasarani (Live TV)	4.84	14:05
1A	Parc Fermé IN - KWS Naivasha		16:50



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LOOK FOR THE GREEN LIGHT

From 2022 onwards, all cars at the top level of the FIA World Rally Championship feature hybrid **electric** powertrains.

With this comes new precautions for spectators and safety crews in the event of a crash due to the **high-voltage** electrical current they can generate.

This is why you must always look for the **green** light whenever a car is stationary before touching it, as only this means the car is **safe**.





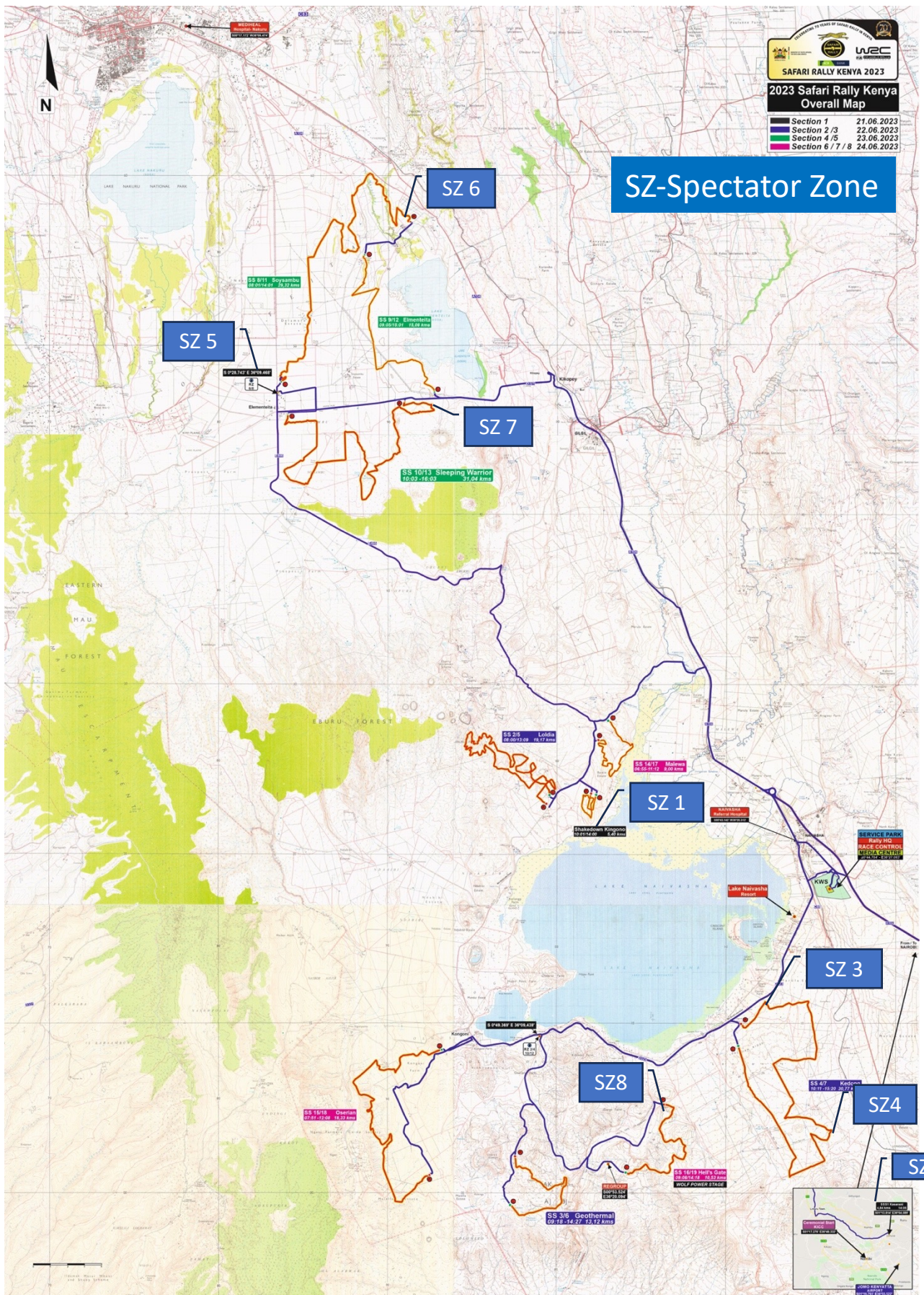
1 A flashing red light, along with an alarm sound, means the car is unsafe. No light means it is potentially unsafe. Only touch the car if there is a green light.



2 Safety lights are on the windscreen and both side pillars of the cars. Following an accident, a solid green light means it is safe to touch.



3 The HY symbol shows that this is a hybrid car. From 2022 onwards, all Rally1 cars have hybrid engines.



SAFARI RALLY KENYA 2023

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Shakedown **Wednesday 21 June 2023**

TC	Location	SS Dist.	Liaison Dist.	Total Dist.	Target Time	First Car Due
SS		Km.	Km.	Km.		
	Service Park - KWS Naivasha					
TC SD	Shakedown Start	-	30.82	30.82		09:56
SD	Shakedown Loldia	5.40	-	-		10:01
	Service Park - KWS Naivasha	-	30.80	36.20	Priority Drivers	10:01 / 13:00
Wednesday Totals		5.40	61.62	67.02	All Drivers	13:01 / 14:00

Shakedown

Start - (Section 1) **Thursday 22 June 2023**

0	Start - Uhuru Park, Nairobi					12:46
1*		-	19.06	19.06	00:58	13:44
SS 1	Super Special Kasarani	4.84	-	-		14:05
1A*	Parc Fermé In - KWS Naivasha	-	97.35	102.19	02:45	16:50
Thursday Totals		4.84	116.41	121.25		
					Sunrise - Naivasha	06:35
					Sunset - Naivasha	18:38

* Early check-in permitted

Section 1



Wednesday 21 June 2023

Shakedown Loldia-10:01hrs

The Ndulele Conservancy off the Moi North Lake Road will be the venue for the Shakedown from 10:01 hrs. The challenging 5.40 kms of Kenyan rally tracks will see action from the various classes of WRC rally cars, including what will be the second season for the Hybrid WRC Rally1 cars.

Undulating tracks with varying surfaces through a wooded landscape will allow the crews to sample in minor what to expect of the 2023 WRC Safari Rally and their first feel of the spectacular challenge ahead. Heat, dust, and a challenging road surface will allow Teams to fine tune their vehicle setups and event strategy in preparation for the Rally proper.

Thursday 22 June 2023

Reconnaissance SSS1 Super Special Kasarani- 4.84kms @14:05hrs

Reconnaissance of the Kasarani Spectator Stage (SS1), by the drivers in their WRC Rally1 cars from 10.00hrs. Then to Uhuru Park Nairobi for the Ceremonial Start

SSS1 Super Special Kasarani- 4.84kms @14:05hrs

SSS 1, Kasarani will start off the competition with 2 cars racing at a time from 14:05 Hrs, which will then see the cars head back to Naivasha for their first overnight Parc Ferme.





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Re-Start (Sections 2 & 3)

Friday 23 June 2023

TC SS	Location	SS Dist. Km.	Liaison Dist. Km.	Total Dist. Km.	Target Time	First Car Due	
1B	Parc Fermé Out - Service - In	-	-	-		07:00	
	Service A (KWS Naivasha)	-	-	-	00:15		
1C	Service - Out	-	-	-		07:15	
RZ	Refuel (FIA Fuel) - KWS Naivasha	-	(0.25)	-			
1	<i>Distance to next refuel</i>	(32.29)	(74.77)	(107.06)			
2		-	31.39	31.39	00:42	07:57	
SS 2	Loldia 1	19.17	-	-		08:00	
3		-	33.95	53.12	01:15	09:15	
SS 3	Geothermal 1	13.12	-	-		09:18	
RZ	Refuel (FIA Fuel) - Oserian Twin Lakes	-	(9.68)	-			
2	<i>Distance to next refuel</i>	(30.62)	(31.26)	(61.88)			
4		-	25.74	38.86	00:50	10:08	
SS 4	Kedong 1	30.62	-	-		10:11	
4A	Regroup & Technical Zone - In	-	14.95	45.57	01:03	11:14	
4B	Regroup Out & Service - In	-	-	-	00:30	11:44	
	Service B (KWS Naivasha)	(62.91)	(106.03)	(168.94)	00:40		
4C	Service Out	-	-	-		12:24	
RZ	Refuel (FIA Fuel) - KWS Naivasha	-	(0.25)	-			
3	<i>Distance to next refuel</i>	(32.29)	(74.77)	(107.06)			
5		-	31.39	31.39	00:42	13:06	
SS 5	Loldia 2	19.17	-	-		13:09	
6		-	33.95	53.12	01:15	14:24	
SS 6	Geothermal 2	13.12	-	-		14:27	
RZ	Refuel (FIA Fuel) - Oserian Twin Lakes	-	(9.68)	-			
4	<i>Distance to next refuel</i>	(30.62)	(31.26)	(61.88)			
7		-	25.74	38.86	00:50	15:17	
SS 7	Kedong 2	30.62	-	-		15:20	
7A	Parc Fermé & Technical Zone - In	-	14.95	45.57	01:03	16:23	
7B	Parc Fermé Out - Flexi Service - In	-	-	-	00:10	16:33	
	Flexi-Service C (KWS Naivasha)	(62.91)	(106.03)	(168.94)	00:45		
7C*	Flexi Service Out - Parc Fermé - In	-	-	-		(17:18)	
	<i>All cars (except P1 cars and restarting cars) must be returned to Parc Fermé no later than</i>					19:45	
Friday Totals		125.82	212.06	337.88			
						Sunrise - Naivasha	06:35
						Sunset - Naivasha	18:38

* Early check-in permitted

Section 2

Section 3

Friday 23 June 2023 (Section 2/3)



SS 2/5 Loldia 1 & 2- 19.17kms @ 08:00 & 13:09hrs

The special stage takes place throughout a wooded forest, with tracks that can very be very narrow to flat out sections, reminiscent of Safari of past days. The forest makes it feel very different to all the other special stages. With steep climbs over narrow twisty roads and a descent that is equally challenging – Loldia will settle the drivers into a rhythm.

SS 3/6 Geothermal 1 & 2 – 13.12kms @ 09:18 & 14:27hrs

Starting this year at the KWS Narasha Gate – the stage quickly climbs into the Geothermal fields of the Ol Karia Geothermal projects. At a lower point with tricky wash-aways and after soft dust the route passes community land and settlements to then ascend over an abrasive road surface past craggy rock lined hills to what is one of the higher points on the complex of hills. These hills make up parts of Hells Gate and the Ol Karia geothermal area. The 13.12 km route dips, skirts and flows over hills and valleys that could well be part of a major Hollywood production. Stunning backdrop vistas with the constant plumes of geothermal vents set off against a bright Kenyan sky all combine to present an unforgettable image of SS Geothermal.

SS 4/7 Kedong 1 & 2 – 30.77 kms @ 10:11 & 15:20hrs

A firm favorite of the passionate Rally fans in East Africa also gets a bit of treatment with rerouted sections from 2022, to avoid some irreparable rain damage, deepening dust pans and an area or two with slight safety concerns. With thankfully little reduction in the overall stage distance the reroute works perfectly!





2023 SAFARI RALLY KENYA

ver 1.2 – 28 May 2023

Re-Start (Sections 4 & 5)

Saturday 24 June 2023

TC	Location	SS Dist.	Liaison Dist.	Total Dist.	Target	First Car
SS		Km.	Km.	Km.	Time	Due
7D	Parc Fermé - Out	-	-	-		06:35
RZ	Refuel (FIA Fuel) - KWS Naivasha	-	(0.25)			
5	<i>Distance to next refuel</i>	(44.40)	(76.47)	(120.87)		
8		-	61.54	61.54	01:23	07:58
SS 8	Soysambu 1	29.32	-	-		08:01
9		-	4.24	33.56	00:55	08:56
SS 9	Elmenteita 1 (Live TV)	15.08	-	-		09:05
RZ	Refuel (FIA Fuel) - Crossroads	-	(10.94)			
6	<i>Distance to next refuel</i>	(31.04)	(50.96)	(82.00)		
10		-	16.51	31.59	00:55	10:00
SS 10	Sleeping Warrior 1	31.04	-	-		10:03
10A	Regroup & Technical Zone - In	-	45.14	76.18	01:26	11:29
10B	Regroup Out & Service - In	-	-	-		11:55
Service D (KWS Naivasha)		(75.44)	(127.43)	(202.87)	00:40	
10C	Service - Out	-	-	-		12:35
RZ	Refuel (FIA Fuel) - KWS Naivasha	-	(0.25)			
7	<i>Distance to next refuel</i>	(44.40)	(76.47)	(120.87)		
11		-	61.54	61.54	01:23	13:58
SS 11	Soysambu 2	29.32	-	-		14:01
12		-	4.24	33.56	00:55	14:56
SS 12	Elmenteita 2 (Live TV)	15.08	-	-		15:05
RZ	Refuel (FIA Fuel) - Crossroads	-	(10.94)			
8	<i>Distance to next refuel</i>	(31.04)	(50.96)	(82.00)		
13		-	16.51	31.59	00:55	16:00
SS 13	Sleeping Warrior 2	31.04	-	-		16:03
13A	Parc Fermé & Technical Zone - In	-	45.14	76.18	01:26	17:29
13B	Parc Fermé Out - Flexi Service - In	-	-	-	00:10	17:39
Flexi-Service E (KWS Naivasha)		(75.44)	(127.43)	(202.87)	00:45	
13C*	Flexi Service Out - Parc Fermé - In	-	-	-		(18:24)
<i>All cars (except P1 cars and restarting cars) must be returned to Parc Fermé no later than</i>						
21:00						

Saturday Totals

150.88

254.86

405.74

Sunrise - Naivasha

06:35

Sunset - Naivasha

18:38

* Early check-in permitted

Section 4

Section 5

Saturday 24 June 2023 (Section 2/3)



SS 8/11 Soysambu– 29.32kms @08:01hrs & 14:01hrs

SS Soysambu , a 29 km route through the now familiar Soysambu Conservancy will have a 3km Spectator area at the start, followed by the deceptively tricky run through savannah woodlands , rocky outcrops and a sweeping finish over another large Spectator area

SS 9/12 Elmenteita- 15.08kms (Live TV) @09:05hrs & 15:05hrs

With its naturally beautiful Lake Elmenteita as a unique backdrop, Elementieta will serve as the Live TV Stage on Saturday to accommodate the need to allow Live TV crews the opportunity to capture the action in all its picturesque glory. Running as the days second and fifth stage - Elmenteita will no doubt present iconic imagery with it's grey volcanic dust, lush lakeside vegetation and the promise of a clear blue sky reflected on the Lake surface dotted with flocks of pink Flamingos.

SS 10/13 Sleeping Warrior- 31.04kms @10:03hrs & 16:03hrs

In the shadow of a hill that resembles a Masai Sleeping Warrior, the special stage crisscrosses the natural plain before a rocky finish. The Stage will start after a Remote Refuel zone located adjacent to the Elmenteita Crossroads, to wind its way through the challenging rockery that provided some incredible images in 2022.



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2023 SAFARI RALLY KENYA

ver 1.2 – 28 May 2023

Re-Start (Sections 6, 7 & 8)

Sunday 25 June 2023

TC SS	Location	SS Dist. Km.	Liaison Dist. Km.	Total Dist. Km.	Target Time	First Car Due
13D	Parc Fermé - Out	-	-	-		06:20
RZ 9	Refuel (FIA Fuel) - KWS Naivasha <i>Distance to next refuel</i>	-	(0.25) (64.41)	-		
14		-	25.21	25.21	00:32	06:52
SS 14	Malewa 1	8.33	-	-		06:55
15		-	24.47	32.80	00:53	07:48
SS 15	Oserian 1	18.33	-	-		07:51
RZ 10	Refuel (FIA Fuel) - Oserian Twin Lakes <i>Distance to next refuel</i>	-	(14.98) (61.16)	-		
16		-	31.28	49.61	01:08	08:59
SS 16	Hell's Gate 1 (Live TV)	10.53	-	-		09:05
16A	Regroup & Technical Zone - In	-	44.61	55.14	01:07	10:12
16B	Regroup Out & Service - In	-	-	-		10:22
Service F (KWS Naivasha)		(37.19)	(125.57)	(162.76)	00:15	
16C	Service - Out	-	-	-		10:37
RZ 11	Refuel (FIA Fuel) - KWS Naivasha <i>Distance to next refuel</i>	-	(0.25) (64.41)	-		
17		-	25.21	25.21	00:32	11:09
SS 17	Malewa 2	8.33	-	-		11:12
18		-	24.47	32.80	00:53	12:05
SS 18	Oserian 2	18.33	-	-		12:08
RZ 12	Refuel (FIA Fuel) - Oserian Twin Lakes <i>Distance to next refuel</i>	-	(14.98) (61.31)	-		
18A	Regroup & Technical Zone - In	-	29.68	48.01	01:08	13:16
18B	Regroup Out	-	-	-		14:07
19		-	2.00	2.00	00:05	14:12
SS 19	Hell's Gate 2 - Wolf Power Stage	10.53	-	-		14:15
19A*	Technical Zone / Parc Fermé - In	-	44.61	55.14	01:07	15:22
	PODIUM	-	-	-		16:00
* Early check-in permitted						

Sunday Totals		74.38	251.54	325.92		
				Sunrise - Naivasha	06:35	
				Sunset - Naivasha	18:38	

TOTALS OF THE RALLY				
	SS	Liaison	Total	%
THU 22 – Section 1 – 1 SS	4.84	116.41	121.25	4.0%
FRI 23 – Sections 2 & 3 – 6 SS	125.82	212.06	337.88	% of Special stages
SAT 24 – Sections 4 & 5 – 6 SS	150.88	254.86	405.74	
SUN 25 – Sections 6, 7 & 8 – 6 SS	74.38	251.54	325.92	
Total - 19 SS	355.92	834.87	1190.79	29.9%

Section 6

Section 7

Section 8

Sunday 25 June 2023 (Section 6/7/8)



SS 14/17 Malewa 1 & 2 – 9.00 kms @ 06:55 & 11:152 hrs

This year the short, sharp Malewa Stage has been brought back – running slightly different from the 2021 stage – with a new Start and a new finish that once again takes crews through some technically demanding stage miles that climb and dip over abrasive surfaces with some sharp square lefts and rights to add to the excitement and challenge of the final day of the Rally.

SS 15/18 Oserian 1 & 2 -18.33 kms @ 07:51 & 12:08hrs

Set within the exclusive Oserogoni Sanctuary, this is one of the more exciting stages. Host to a lot of incidental spectators ranging from Antelopes to Zebras, the Oserian stage consists of varying fauna, indigenous to the area with a continual change of surface as the elevation and flora changes. Home to Leopards and a wandering pack of lions – Oserian epitomizes the Safari Rally.

SS 16/19 Hellsgate 10.53 kms @ 09:05 & 14:15hrs

The famous Hell’s Gate stage with its fast ascents and descents runs as the third and final competitive stage of the Safari Rally on the final day. With perhaps the most scenic backdrop of any of the Power Stages on the World Rally Championship, Hells Gate is going to sign off the 2023 Safari Rally on a high. With the finish line alongside the picturesque Fisher’s Tower, Hell’s Gate presents a great opportunity for spectators to get close to the action on the final day and watch the battle for the Power Stage and valuable championship points mid-way through the 2023 World Rally Championship



PAST WINNERS

Year	Rally Name	Winning Driver	Co-driver	Winning Car
1953	1 st Coronation Safari Rally	Alan Dix	Johnny Larsen	Volkswagen Beetle
1954	2 nd Coronation Safari Rally	D P Marwaha	Vic Preston Sr	Volkswagen Beetle
1955	3 rd Coronation Safari Rally	Vic Preston Sr	D P Marwaha	Ford Zephyr
1956	4 th Coronation Safari Rally	Eric Cecil	Tony Vickers	DKW
1957	5 th Coronation Safari Rally	Gus Hofmann	Arthur Burton	Volkswagen Beetle
1958	6 th Coronation Safari Rally	T. Brooke Arne Kopperud Morris Temple-Boreham	Peter Hughes Kora Kopperud Mike Armstrong	Ford Anglia100E Ford Zephyr II Auto Union1000
1959	7 th Coronation Safari Rally	Bill Fritschy	Jack Ellis	Mercedes-Benz 219
1960	8 th East African Safari Rally	Bill Fritschy	Jack Ellis	Mercedes-Benz 219
1961	9 th East African Safari Rally	John Manussis	Bill Coleridge David Bekett	Mercedes-Benz 220SE
1962	10 th East African Safari Rally	Tommy Fjastad	Bernhard Schmider	Volkswagen 1200
1963	11 th East African Safari Rally	Nick Nowicki	Paddy Cliff	Peugeot 404
1964	12 th East African Safari Rally	Peter Hughes	Bill Young	Ford CortinaGT
1965	13 th East African Safari Rally	Joginder Singh	Jaswant Singh	Volvo PV 544
1966	14 th East African Safari Rally	Bert Shankland	Chris Rothwell	Peugeot 404
1967	15 th East African Safari Rally	Bert Shankland	Chris Rothwell	Peugeot 404
1968	16 th East African Safari Rally	Nick Nowicki	Paddy Cliff	Peugeot 404
1969	17 th East African Safari Rally	Robin Hillyar	Jock Aird	Ford Taunus 20M RS
1970	18 th East African Safari Rally	Edgar Herrmann	Hans Schüller	Datsun 1600 SSS
1971	19 th East African Safari Rally	Edgar Herrmann	Hans Schüller	Datsun 240Z
1972	20 th IMC East African Safari Rally	Hannu Mikkola	Gunnar Palm	Ford EscortRS1600
1973	21 st WRC East African Safari Rally	Shekhar Mehta	Lofty Drews	Datsun 240Z
1974	22 nd WRC East African Safari Rally	Joginder Singh	David Doig	Mitsubishi Lancer 1600 GSR
1975	23 rd WRC Safari Rally	Ove Andersson	Arne Hertz	Peugeot 504
1976	24 th WRC Safari Rally	Joginder Singh	David Doig	Mitsubishi Lancer 1600 GSR
1977	25 th WRC Safari Rally	Björn Waldegård	Hans Thorszelius	Ford EscortRS1800
1978	26 th WRC Safari Rally	Jean-Pierre Nicolas	Jean-Claude Lefèbvre	Peugeot 504 V6 Coupé
1979	27 th WRC Safari Rally	Shekhar Mehta	Mike Doughty	Datsun 160J
1980	28 th WRC Safari Rally	Shekhar Mehta	Mike Doughty	Datsun 160J
1981	29 th WRC Safari Rally	Shekhar Mehta	Mike Doughty	Nissan Violet GT
1982	30 th WRC Marlboro Safari Rally	Shekhar Mehta	Mike Doughty	Nissan Violet GT
1983	31 st WRC Marlboro Safari Rally	Ari Vatanen	Terry Harryman	Opel Ascona 400
1984	32 nd WRC Marlboro Safari Rally	Björn Waldegård	Hans Thorszelius	Toyota Celica TCT
1985	33 rd WRC Marlboro Safari Rally	Juha Kankkunen	Fred Gallagher	Toyota Celica TCT
1986	34 th WRC Marlboro Safari Rally	Björn Waldegård	Fred Gallagher	Toyota Celica TCT
1987	35 th WRC Marlboro Safari Rally	Hannu Mikkola	Arne Hertz	Audi 200 Quattro
1988	36 th WRC Marlboro Safari Rally	Miki Biasion	Tiziano Siviero	Lancia Delta HF Integrale
1989	37 th WRC Marlboro Safari Rally	Miki Biasion	Tiziano Siviero	Lancia Delta HF Integrale
1990	38 th WRC Marlboro Safari Rally	Björn Waldegård	Fred Gallagher	Toyota Celica GT-Four ST165

1991	39 th WRC Martini Safari Rally	Juha Kankkunen	Juha Piironen	Lancia Delta HF Integrale 16v
1992	40 th WRC Martini Safari Rally	Carlos Sainz	Luis Moya	Toyota CelicaTurbo 4WD
1993	41 st WRC Trust Bank Safari Rally	Juha Kankkunen	Juha Piironen	Toyota CelicaTurbo 4WD
1994	42 nd WRC Trust bank Safari Rally	Ian Duncan	David Williamson	Toyota CelicaTurbo 4WD
1995	43 rd 2LWC Safari Rally	Yoshio Fujimoto	Arne Hertz	Toyota CelicaTurbo 4WD
1996	44 th WRC Safari Rally	Tommi Mäkinen	Seppo Harjanne	Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution III
1997	45 th WRC Safari Rally	Colin McRae	Nicky Grist	Subaru Impreza WRC97
1998	46 th WRC Safari Rally	Richard Burns	Robert Reid	Mitsubishi Carisma GT Evo IV
1999	47 th WRC Safari Rally	Colin McRae	Nicky Grist	Ford Focus WRC
2000	48 th WRC Sameer Safari Rally	Richard Burns	Robert Reid	Subaru Impreza WRC
2001	49 th WRC Safari Rally	Tommi Mäkinen	Risto Mannisenmäki	Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution 6.5
2002	50 th WRC Inmarsat Safari Rally	Colin McRae	Nicky Grist	Ford Focus RS WRC 02
2003	51 st ARC KCB Safari Rally	Glen Edmunds	Titch Phillips	Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution VI
2004	52 nd ARC KCB Safari Rally	Carl Tundo	Tim Jessop	Subaru Impreza
2005	53 rd ARC KCB Safari Rally	Glen Edmunds	Des Page-Morris	Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution VII
2006	54 th ARC KCB Safari Rally	Azar Anwar	George Mwangi	Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution VI
2007	55 th IRC/ARC KCB Safari Rally	Conrad Rautenbach	Peter Marsh	Subaru Impreza N10
2008	56 th ARC KCB Safari Rally	Lee Rose	Piers Daykin	Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution IX
2009	57 th IRC/ARC KCB Safari Rally	Carl Tundo	Tim Jessop	Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution IX
2010	58 th ARC KCB Safari Rally	Lee Rose	Piers Daykin	Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution IX
2011	59 th ARC KCB Safari Rally	Carl Tundo	Tim Jessop	Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution IX
2012	60 th ARC KCB Safari Rally	Carl Tundo	Tim Jessop	Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution IX
2013	61 st ARC KCB Safari Rally	Baldev Chager	Ravi Soni	Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution X
2014	62 nd ARC KCB Safari Rally	Baldev Chager	Ravi Soni	Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution X
2015	63 rd KNRC KCB Safari Rally	Chatthe Jaspreet	Panesar Gurdeep	Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution X R4
2016	64 th KNRC KCB Safari Rally	Chatthe Jaspreet	Panesar Gurdeep	Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution X R4
2017	65 th ARC/KNRC Safari Rally	Tapio Laukkanen	Gavin Laurence	Subaru Impreza WRX STi 4 D R4
2018	66 th ARC/KNRC Safari Rally	Carl Tundo	Tim Jessop	Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution X
2019	67 th ARC/KNRC Safari Rally	Baldev Chager	Ravi Soni	Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution X R4
2020	68 th WRC Safari Rally	POSTPONED COVID-19		
2021	69 th WRC Safari Rally	Sébastien Ogier	Julien Ingrassia	Toyota Gazoo Racing
2022	70 th WRC Safari Rally	Kalle Rovenpera	Jonne Halttunen	Toyota Gazoo Racing

Notes:

IMC = International Championship for Manufacturers,

WRC = World Rally Championship,

2LWC = 2-Litre World Cup,

ARC = African Rally Championship,

IRC = Intercontinental Rally Challenge,

KNRC = Kenya National Rally Championship

Kenyan drivers [Shekhar Mehta](#) and [Carl Tundo](#) have been the most successful competitors, with five outright victories each. Mehta won first in 1973, then consecutively from 1979 to 1982 - all while the event was part of the world championship. Tundo won five editions when the event was part of the African Rally Championship - the 2004, 2009, 2011, 2012 and 2018 events. Tundo has also finished on the podium twelve times, ahead of fellow Kenyan [Ian Duncan](#) with nine podium finishes.



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AMENDED ENTRY LIST

Count	No.	Competitor	Driver Co-Driver	Nat	Car	Class Group	Priority Eligibility
1	69	TOYOTA GAZOO RACING WRT	Kalle ROVANPERÄ Jonne HALTTUNEN	FIN FIN	TOYOTA GR Yaris Rally1 HYBRID	RC1 Rally1	P1 M
2	8	M-SPORT FORD WORLD RALLY TEAM	Ott TÄNAK Martin JÄRVEOJA	EST EST	FORD Puma Rally1 HYBRID	RC1 Rally1	P1 M
3	17	TOYOTA GAZOO RACING WRT	Sébastien OGIER Vincent LANDAIS	FRA FRA	TOYOTA GR Yaris Rally1 HYBRID	RC1 Rally1	P1 M
4	33	TOYOTA GAZOO RACING WRT	Elfyn EVANS Scott MARTIN	GBR GBR	TOYOTA GR Yaris Rally1 HYBRID	RC1 Rally1	P1 M
5	11	HYUNDAI SHELL MOBIS WORLD RALLY TEAM	Thierry NEUVILLE Martijn WYDAEGHE	BEL BEL	HYUNDAI i20 N Rally1 HYBRID	RC1 Rally1	P1 M
6	4	HYUNDAI SHELL MOBIS WORLD RALLY TEAM	Esapekka LAPPI Janne FERM	FIN FIN	HYUNDAI i20 N Rally1 HYBRID	RC1 Rally1	P1 M
7	6	HYUNDAI SHELL MOBIS WORLD RALLY TEAM	Daniel SORDO Cándido CARRERA	ESP ESP	HYUNDAI i20 N Rally1 HYBRID	RC1 Rally1	P1 M
8	18	TOYOTA GAZOO RACING WRT	Takamoto KATSUTA Aaron JOHNSTON	JPN IRL	TOYOTA GR Yaris Rally1 HYBRID	RC1 Rally1	P1
9	7	M-SPORT FORD WORLD RALLY TEAM	Pierre-Louis LOUBET Nicolas GILSOUL	FRA BEL	FORD Puma Rally1 HYBRID	RC1 Rally1	P1 M
10	9	M-SPORT FORD WORLD RALLY TEAM	Jourdan SERDERIDIS Andy MALFOY	GRC FRA	FORD Puma Rally1 HYBRID	RC1 Rally1	P1
11	20	OLIVER SOLBERG	Oliver SOLBERG Elliott EDMONDSON	SWE GBR	SKODA Fabia Evo	RC2 Rally2	P2
12	21	KAJETAN KAJETANOWICZ	Kajetan KAJETANOWICZ Maciej SZCZEPANIAK	POL POL	SKODA Fabia Evo	RC2 Rally2	P2 WRC2 (DC/CC)
13	22	M-SPORT FORD WORLD RALLY TEAM	Grégoire MUNSTER Louis LOUKA	LUX BEL	FORD Fiesta Mk II	RC2 Rally2	P2 WRC2 (T/DC/CC)
14	23	MARTIN PROKOP	Martin PROKOP Zdeněk JŮRKA	CZE CZE	FORD Fiesta Mk II	RC2 Rally2	P2 WRC2 (DC/CC)
15	24	ARMIN KREMER	Armin KREMER Timo GOTTSCHALK	DEU DEU	SKODA Fabia Evo	RC2 Rally2	P2 WRC2 (DCM/CC)
16	25	KARAN PATEL	Karan PATEL Tauseef KHAN	KEN KEN	FORD Fiesta	RC2 Rally2	P2 WRC2 (DC/CC)
17	26	CARL TUNDO	Carl TUNDO Tim JESSOP	KEN KEN	SKODA Fabia	RC2 Rally2	P2 WRC2 (DC/CC)
18	27	DANIEL CHWIST	Daniel CHWIST Kamil HELLER	POL POL	SKODA Fabia RS	RC2 Rally2	P2 WRC2 (DC/CC)
19	28	MIGUEL DÍAZ ABOITIZ	Miguel DÍAZ ABOITIZ Rodrigo SANJUAN	ESP ESP	SKODA Fabia Evo	RC2 Rally2	P2 WRC2 (DCM/CC)
20	29	M-SPORT FORD WORLD RALLY TEAM	Georgios VASILAKIS Thomas KRAWSZIK	GRC GBR	FORD Fiesta Mk II	RC2 Rally2	P2 WRC2 (T/DCM/CC)
21	30	AAKIF VIRANI	Aakif VIRANI Azhar BHATTI	KEN KEN	SKODA Fabia	RC2 Rally2	P2 WRC2 (DC/CC)
22	31	PIERO CANOBBIO	Piero CANOBBIO Flavio ZANELLA	KEN ITA	HYUNDAI NG i20	RC2 Rally2	P2 WRC2 (DCM/CCM)
23	32	SAMMAN SINGH VOHRA	Samman SINGH VOHRA Gurdeep SINGH PANESAR	KEN GBR	SKODA Fabia Evo	RC2 Rally2	P2 WRC2 (DC/CC)
24	34	DIEGO DOMINGUEZ	Diego DOMINGUEZ Rogelio PEÑATE	PRY ESP	FORD Fiesta Rally3	RC3 Rally3	P3 WRC3
25	35	RALLY STARS PROGRAM KENYA	Hamza ANWAR Adnan DIN	KEN KEN	FORD Fiesta Rally3	RC3 Rally3	P3 WRC3
26	36	RALLY STARS PROGRAM KENYA	Jeremiah WAHOME Victor OKUNDI	KEN KEN	FORD Fiesta Rally3	RC3 Rally3	P3 WRC3
27	37	RALLY STARS PROGRAM KENYA	McRae KIMATHI Mwangi KIONI	KEN KEN	FORD Fiesta Rally3	RC3 Rally3	P3 WRC3
28	38	JASON BAILEY	Jason BAILEY James WILLETTS	CAN CAN	FORD Fiesta Rally3	RC3 Rally3	P3 WRC3
29	39	YASIN NASSER	Yasin NASSER Ali KATUMBA	TZA UGA	FORD Fiesta Mk II	RC2 Rally2	
30	40	GIANCARLO DAVITE	Giancarlo DAVITE Sylvia VINDEVOGEL	ITA BEL	FORD Fiesta	RC2 Rally2	

AMENDED ENTRY LIST

Count	No.	Competitor	Driver Co-Driver	Nat	Car	Class Group	Priority Eligibility
31	41	EVANS NZIOKA	Evans NZIOKA Absalom ASWANI	KEN KEN	MITSUBISHI Lancer Evo X	NAT NR4	
32	44	NIKHIL SACHANIA	Nikhil SACHANIA Deep PATEL	GBR KEN	MITSUBISHI Lancer Evo X	NAT NR4	
33	45	MINESH RATHOD	Minesh RATHOD Jamie MACTAVISH	KEN GBR	MITSUBISHI Lancer Evo X	NAT NR4	
34	46	JOSIAH KARIUKI	Josiah KARIUKI John NGUGI	KEN KEN	SUBARU Imprezza	NAT NR4	

Approved by the FIA 29.5.2023

Amended 29.5.2023, as approved by the FIA

- Entry of Competitor ARMIN KREMER was missing due to a clerical error and is now added as car No. 24.
- Other cars are renumbered accordingly.

Wednesday 21st June 2023
SD Shakedown 5.40km
First Car Due 10:01
SPECTAOR ZONE 1

Located off Moi North Lake Road, 30 km from Naivasha – the Shakedown at Loldia will be the first designated spectator zone of the event.

The 5.4km loop will see WRC 1,2 and 3 cars being put through their paces over 3 loops of the track with the aim of fine tuning the vehicle set ups in preparation for the Rally proper.

The Shakedown starts at 10 am and will go on till 2pm.

Spectators are encouraged to arrive as early as possible to avoid traffic snarl ups at the entry point which leads to a designated Spectator parking area in close proximity to the route.





WEDNESDAY 21 June 2023 (SHAKEDOWN)

SHAKEDOWN
First Car Start

5.40km
10:01

SPECTATOR ZONE 1
S0° 41.643' E36° 19.185'

Direction to Shakedown Loldia

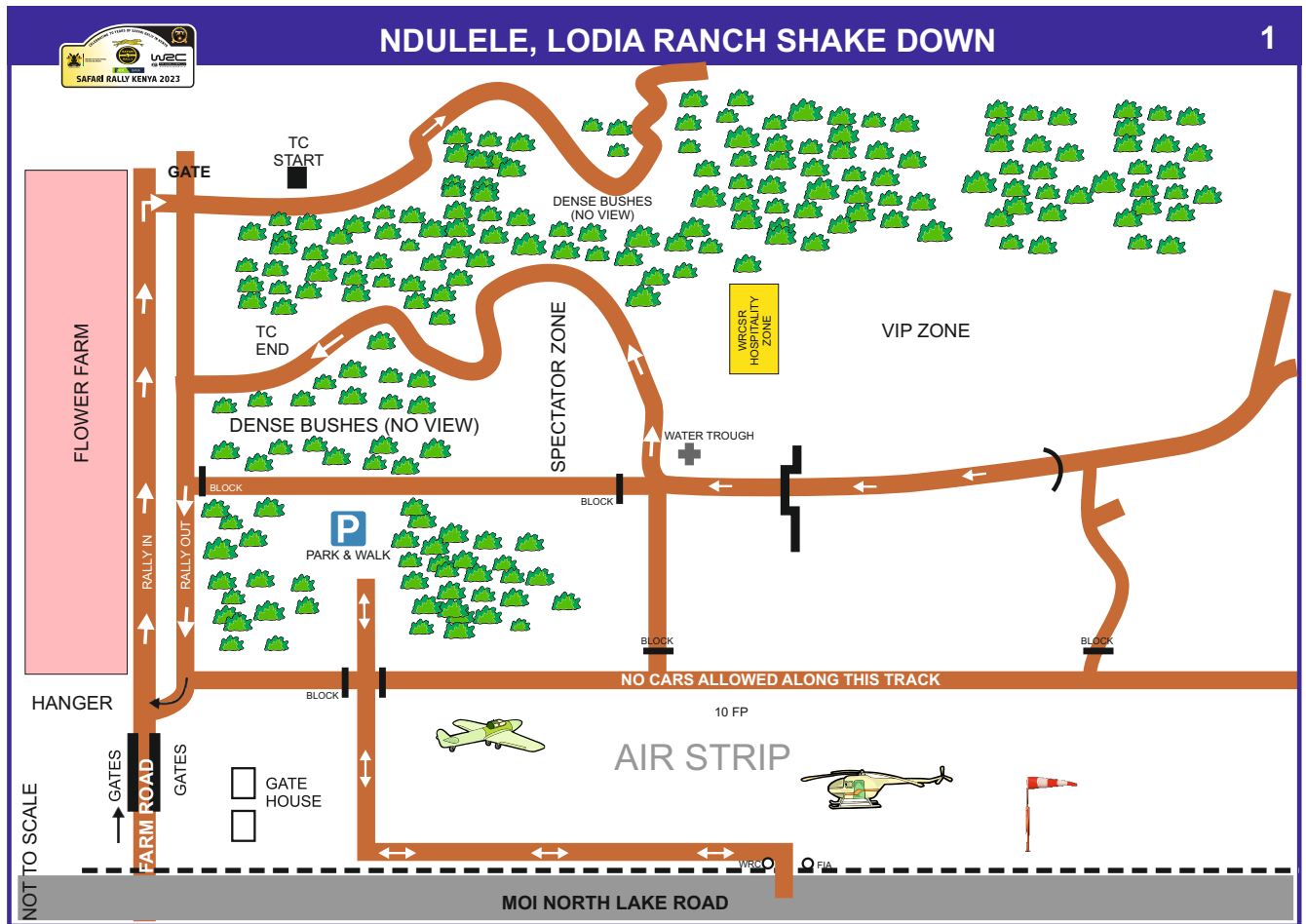


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[Shakedown Loldia](#)



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1. Obey the organizers' instructions. If people are asked by the Route marshals to leave dangerous place on the SS route, they should follow these instructions. In case of indiscipline the special stage will be canceled!



2. Especially dangerous locations are marked as **"PROHIBITED AREA"** or **"NO GO AREA"**. Do not try to enter these places, they can be terminally unsafe! Do not stand on "escape roads" as well. Do not cross the safety tape or net and stay behind it!



3. Keep the distance from the edge of the roadway. Keep in mind the high speed of competing cars. It is impossible to eliminate either the driver's mistake or an unpredictable technical defect of the vehicle.



4. Don't sit by the SS route. Always watch, what's happening on the special stage. Think of quick evacuation of your place, at any time keep prepared an escape way and be prepare for quick reaction



5. Avoid places below level of the route. Do not stand on outer sides of curves, in front of houses or other impassable obstacles. In forest do not stand in front of the trees. For watching the competition choose only places on elevated areas, behind solid obstacles etc.



6. Cooperate with Organizers and Route marshals, in case of menace of danger organizer must be informed about the current situation. In case of any accident spectators should wait with possible help on organizers' dispositions



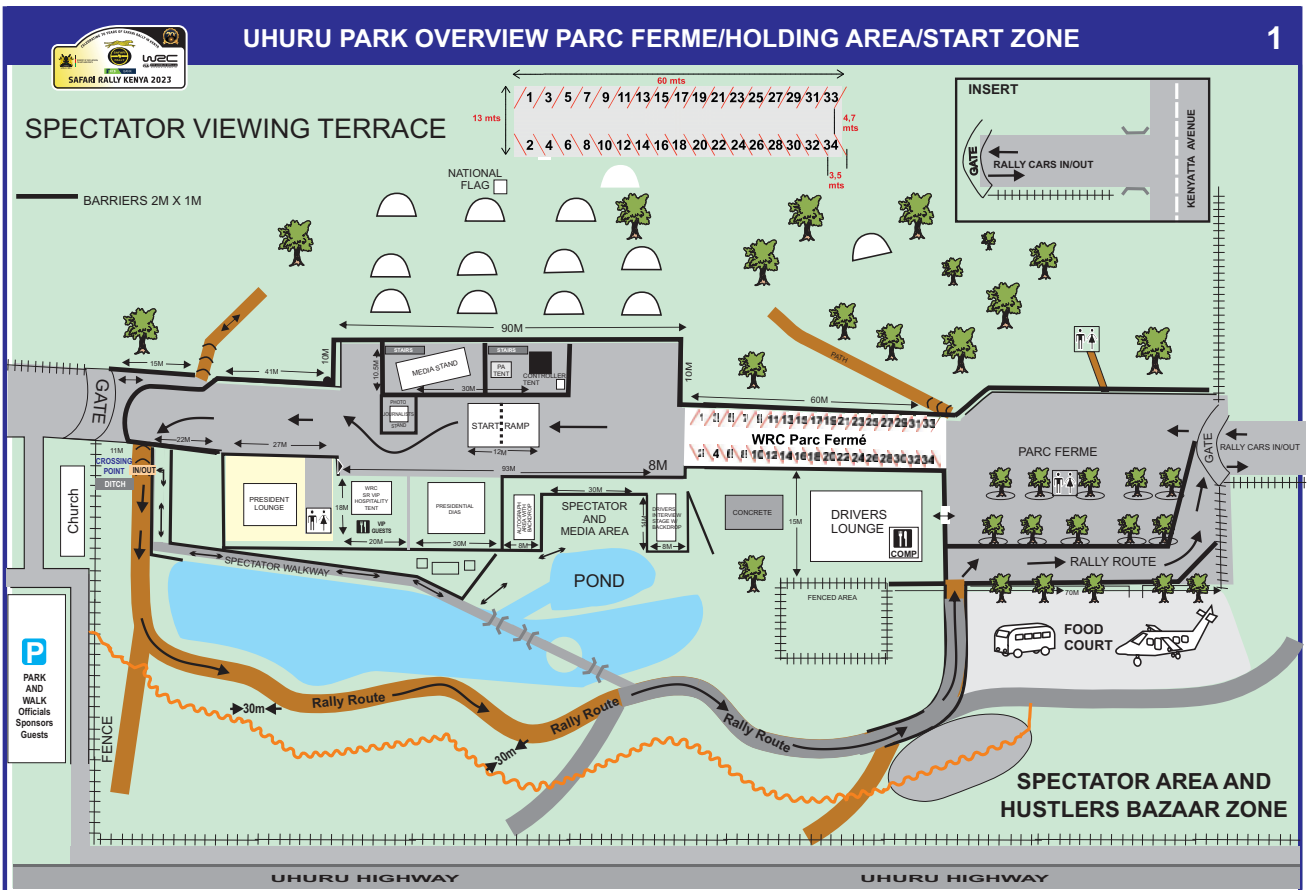
Ceremonial Start, Uhuru Park, Nairobi

THURSDAY 22nd June

This year, in order to allow many more fans within the vicinity of the Ceremonial Start Ramp, the Flag off will be held in Uhuru Park, opposite the Serena Hotel in Nairobi. Activities at the Start venue will begin early with the first car being flagged off at 12.46 pm.

From the Start ramp, the cars will head to the SSS Kasarani which is located behind the Kasarani Sports Complex for the 4.84 km racing that kicks off the Rally competition in earnest. With 2 cars racing side by side – this is a spectacle not to be missed and spectators are encouraged to arrive as early as possible, where designated parking and security arrangements will be in place throughout the day.

The first two cars will start the race at 2.05 pm with the action going on into late afternoon.





7. If you take the children to the rally, keep them under careful and constant view. Adults are fully responsible for childrens' safety!

Do not cross the roadway and do not walk on the SS route during special stage! Take the position for watching the rally before start of first rally crews, not during the SS run



8. Avoid driving on access roads upstream of competition vehicles approaching the SS during the rally. Roadways to the special stages are often narrow and racers could be in hurry.

- Park your vehicles on reserved parking lots appointed by the police or the organizers.
- Do not park where you could stand in the way of competing crews, service staff and other participants of public traffic.
- Don't stand in front of traffic or directive signs.
- Don't damage the environment!
- Don't take your pets at the special stage with. Domestic animals must be secured to not to enter the SS route.
- Don't throw anything on the route - it could endanger the safety of passing competing crews. This behaviour is also handled in the Criminal Code!
- **NO ALCOHOL ON RALLY!!!**
- Count with time limits - take a look on the Rally guide in advance, when the SS route is going to be closed before the start and re-opened after the end. Remember that the route SS is not re-opened until the Organizer's vehicle passage

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Spectator Zone 2
Thursday 22 JUNE 2023
SSS Kasarani 4.84km



SSS1 Super Special Kasarani- 4.84kms @14:05hrs

Reconnaissance of the Kasarani Spectator Stage (SS1), by the drivers in their WRC Rally1 cars from 10.00hrs. Then to Uhuru Park—followed by the Ceremonial Start at 12:46 hrs. The WRC Safari Rally returns once again to its traditional start, in the heart of the capital city, Nairobi.

SSS 1, Kasarani will start off the competition with 2 cars racing at a time from 14:05 Hrs, which will then see the cars head back to Naivasha and the first overnight Parc Ferme.

The Super Special Stage at Kasarani is located just off the rear of the Moi International Sports Complex Kasarani which will be accessed off the Thika Highway.

Spectators are encouraged to arrive well in advance to the allocated parking areas which will be set up adjacent to the Super Special stage. The Stage goes live for the first Competitive stage of the 2023 WRC Safari Rally at 14:05hrs

From Kasarani the Cars will proceed via Muthaiga, Runda, Limuru and rejoin the Nairobi to Nakuru highway to drop down to the Service Park at WRTI – Naivasha for the overnight rest halt.



THURSDAY 22 JUNE 2023

SUPER SPECIAL KASARANI 4.84KM

SPECTATOR ZONE 2

S 01° 13.949' E 36° 54.494'

Direction to SSS Kasarani



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[SSS KASARANI STAGE](#)



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FRIDAY 23 JUNE
SS 4/7 KEDONG 30.65km
First Car Due 10:11/15:20
SPECTATOR ZONE 3-Sawela Gate

SS4/7 Kedong

Friday also sees the staging of the famous Kedong Ranch stage, the first run at 10.11 am followed by the second loop at 3.20 pm.

Two designated spectator zones will be created – the first one at the Sawela Gate entrance – which extends for a number of kilometers and the other at the shoulders of Mt Longonot.

The first zone will be accessed from Moi South Lake road – close to Sopa Lodge and the second one accessed via the road to Mt Longonot off the Naivasha-Mai Mahihu road.

Both zones will have ample parking spaces within designated parking areas.

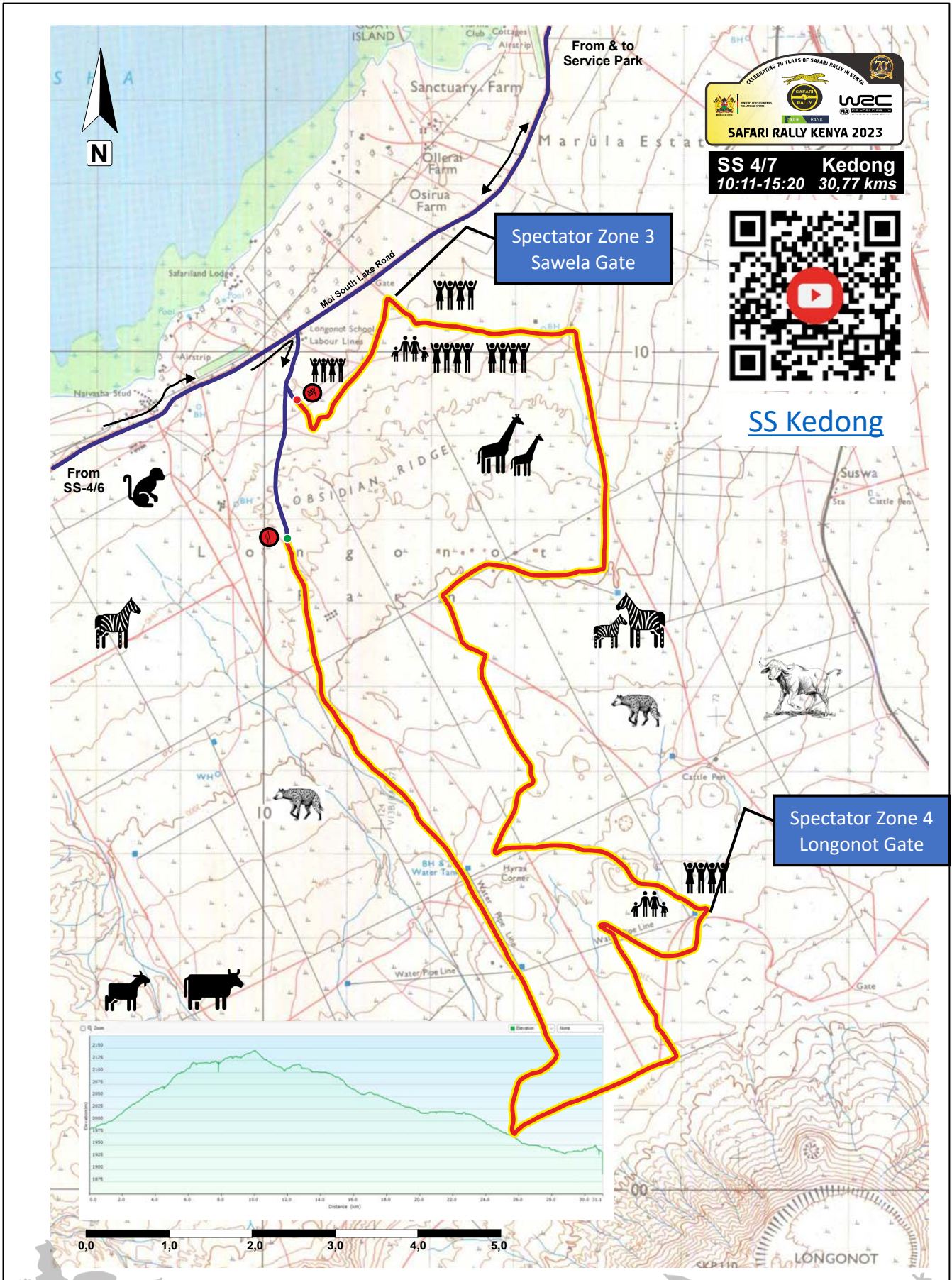




SS 4/7 Kedong
10:11-15:20 30,77 kms



[SS Kedong](#)



FRIDAY 23 JUNE 2022

SS4/7 KEDONG- 30.77KMS

SPECTATOR ZONE 3 SAWELA GATE

S0° 48.792' E36° 24.369'

KEDONG: SAWELA GATE
(MOI SOUTH LAKE RD)

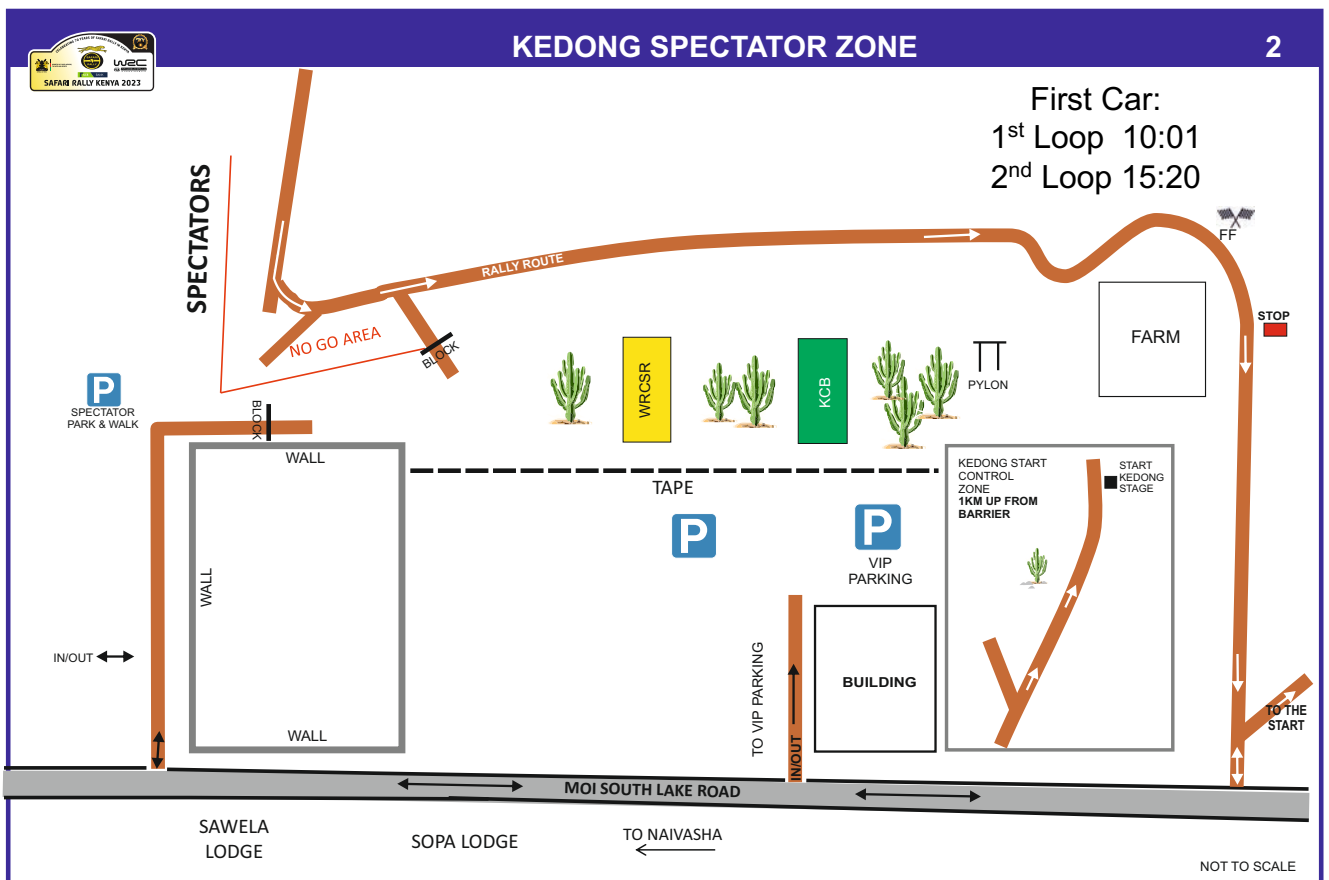


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[Kedong Sawela Gate](#)



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ATTENTION



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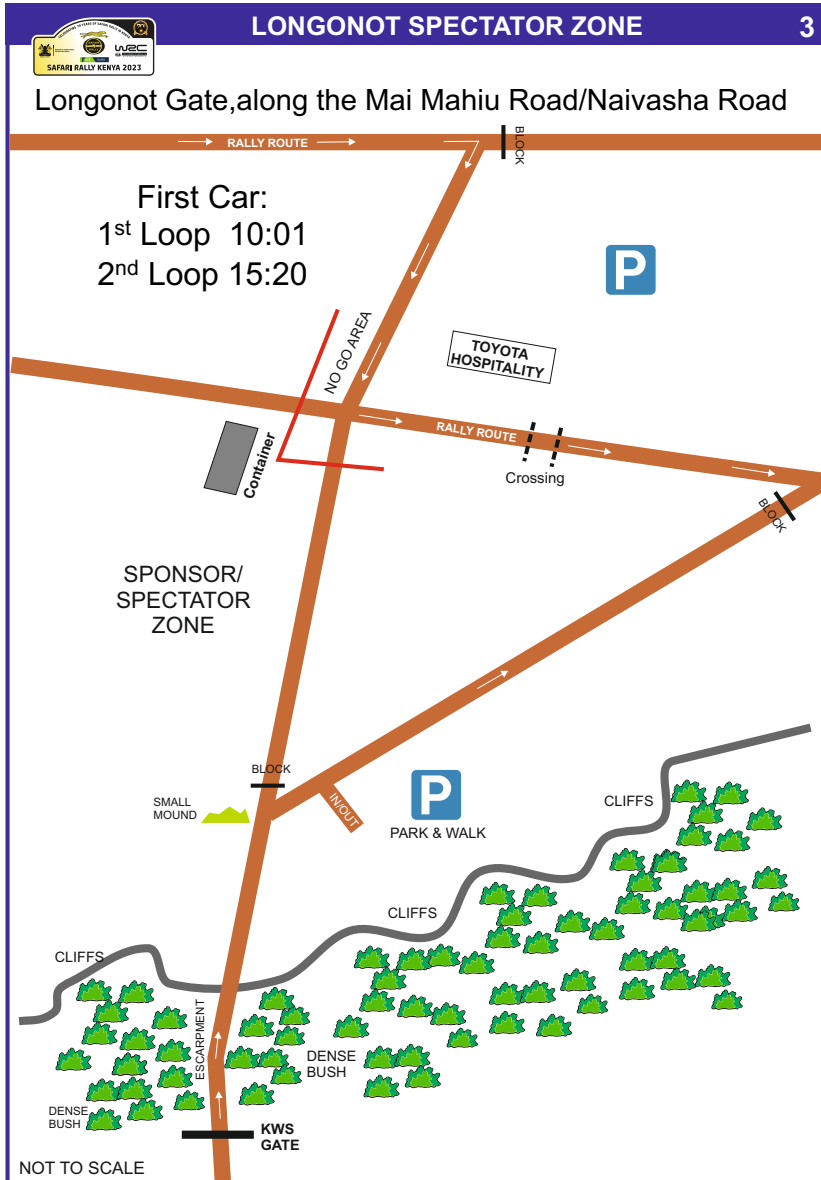


FRIDAY 23 JUNE 2022

SS4/7 KEDONG- 30.77KMS

SPECTATOR ZONE 4 LONGONOT GATE

S0° 53.007' E36° 26.251



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Direction to Longonot Gate



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[KEDONG-LONGONOT GATE](#)

A very fast left hander after a long straight which is also a designated spectator zone



SATURDAY 24 JUNE 2022
SS4/7 SOYSAMBU
29.32KM
ETA 08:06/14:07

Rally head to Elmenteita and the Soysambu Conservancy. An exciting spectator area will be created at the Start of the Soysambu Stage where the first car is expected to start at 8.01 am. The zone will have a designated parking area opposite the Delamere Estate, Elmenteita gate and fans will easily access the spectator area across the road through a designated walk- in gate.

The second loop of the Soysambu Stage will be at 2.01 pm – giving fans a full day of rally excitement. Access to this park and walk zone will be via the Lanet Pipeline Depot to Elmenteita village road, before Nakuru.

A second fan zone will also be created at the finish of the Stage – which will be accessible via the Serena Gate for Soysambu Conservancy, just off the Naivasha – Nakuru highway.

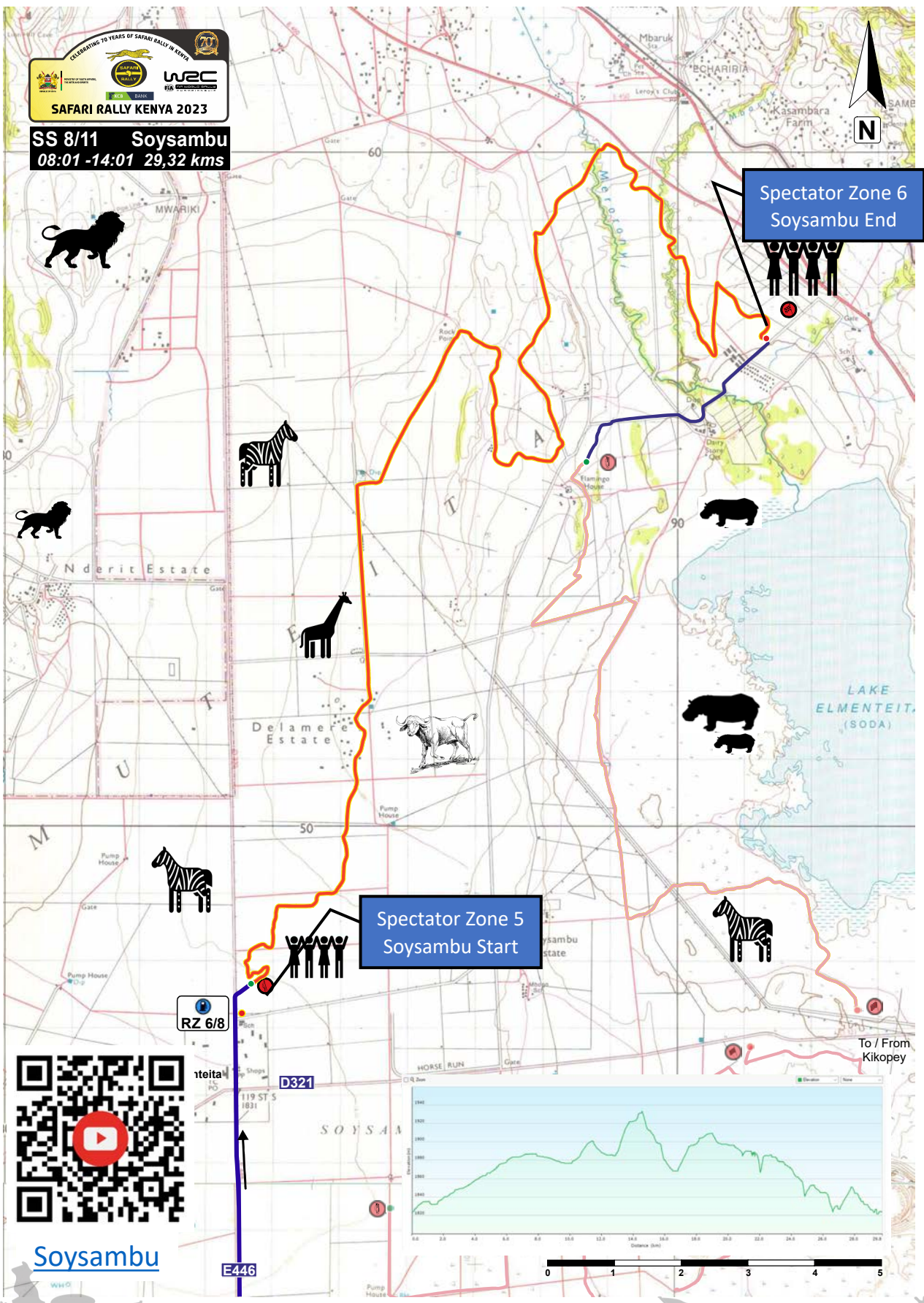


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SS 8/11 Soysambu
08:01 -14:01 29,32 kms





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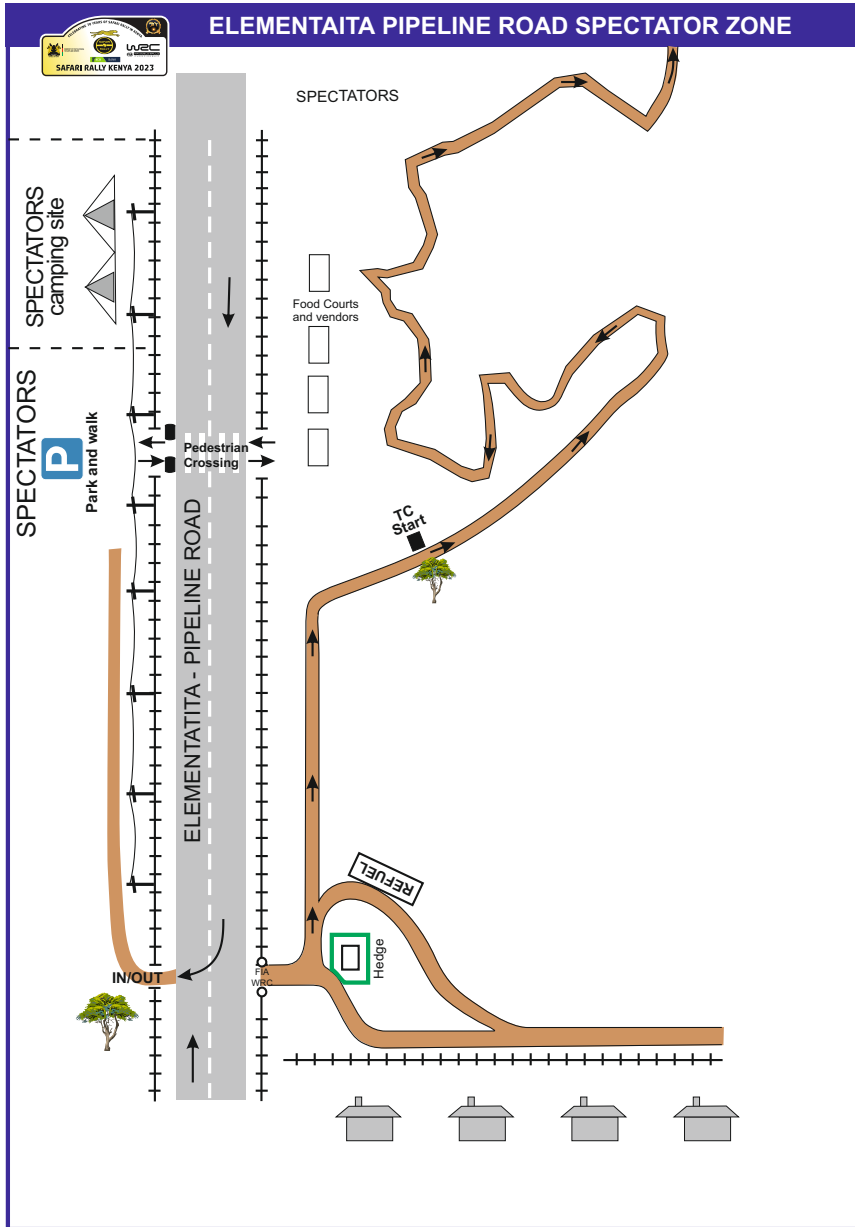
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SPECTATOR ZONE 5 SOYSAMBU S0° 28.472' E36° 09.514



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Direction to Spectator Zone 5



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[SOYSAMBU](#)

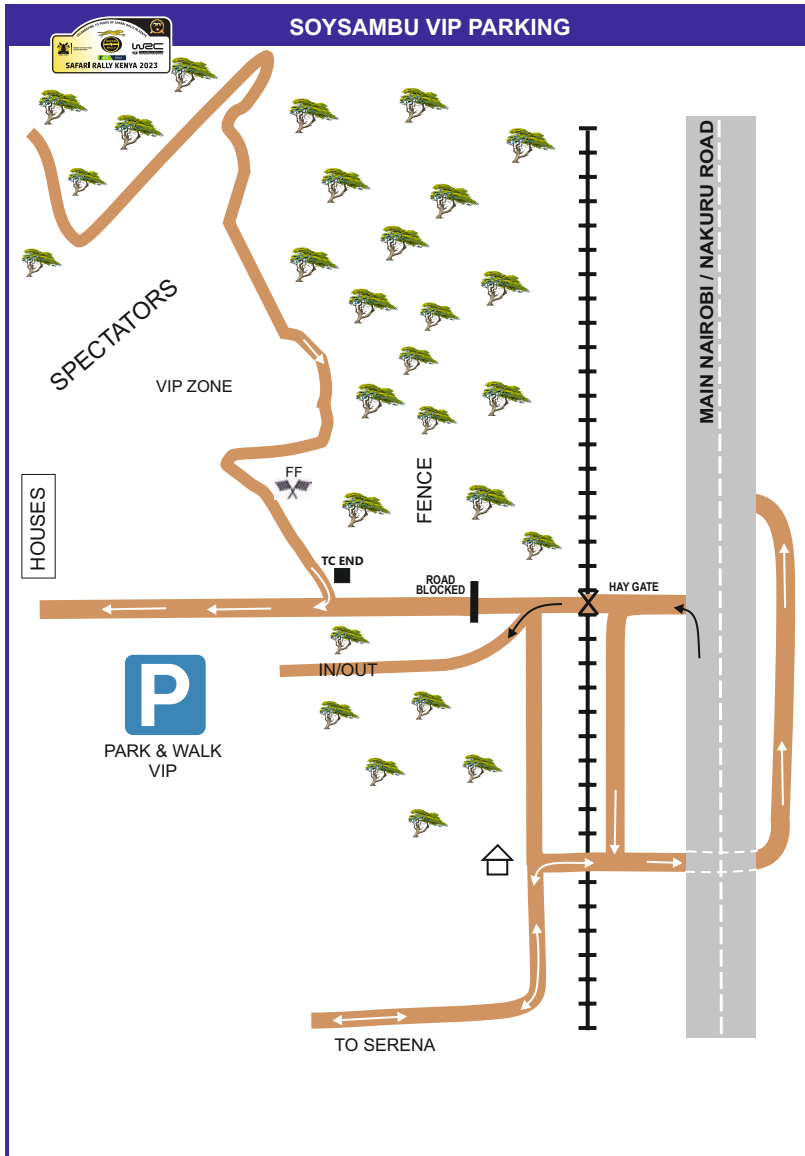
Sharp, sweeping and deep dust covered bends make up this area of the Spectator zone for the Stage



SPECTATOR ZONE 6

SOYSAMBU

S0° 23.176' E36° 13.710'



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Direction to Spectator Zone 6



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[Soysambu Spectator Zone 6](#)



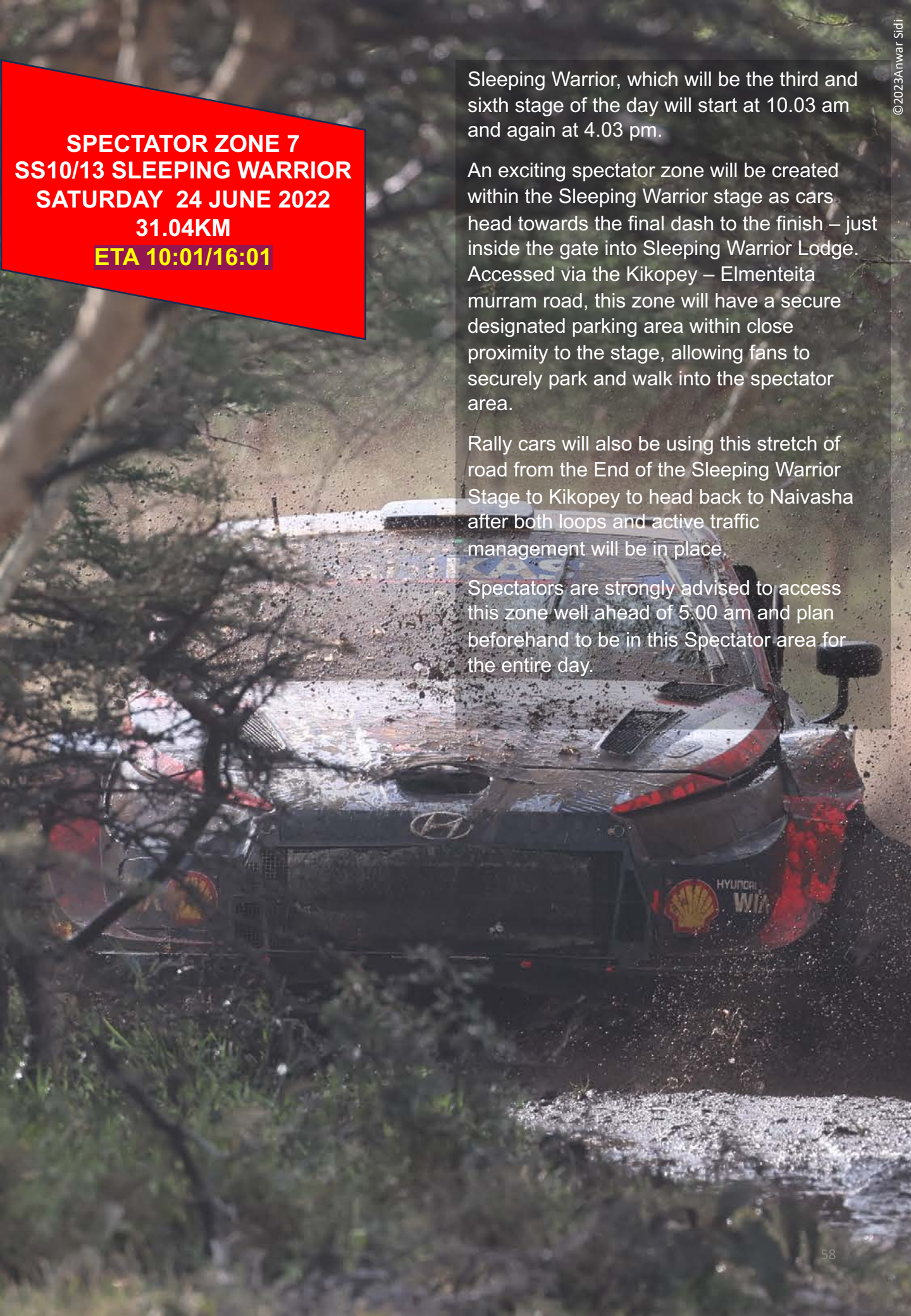
SPECTATOR ZONE 7
SS10/13 SLEEPING WARRIOR
SATURDAY 24 JUNE 2022
31.04KM
ETA 10:01/16:01

Sleeping Warrior, which will be the third and sixth stage of the day will start at 10.03 am and again at 4.03 pm.

An exciting spectator zone will be created within the Sleeping Warrior stage as cars head towards the final dash to the finish – just inside the gate into Sleeping Warrior Lodge. Accessed via the Kikopey – Elmenteita murram road, this zone will have a secure designated parking area within close proximity to the stage, allowing fans to securely park and walk into the spectator area.

Rally cars will also be using this stretch of road from the End of the Sleeping Warrior Stage to Kikopey to head back to Naivasha after both loops and active traffic management will be in place.

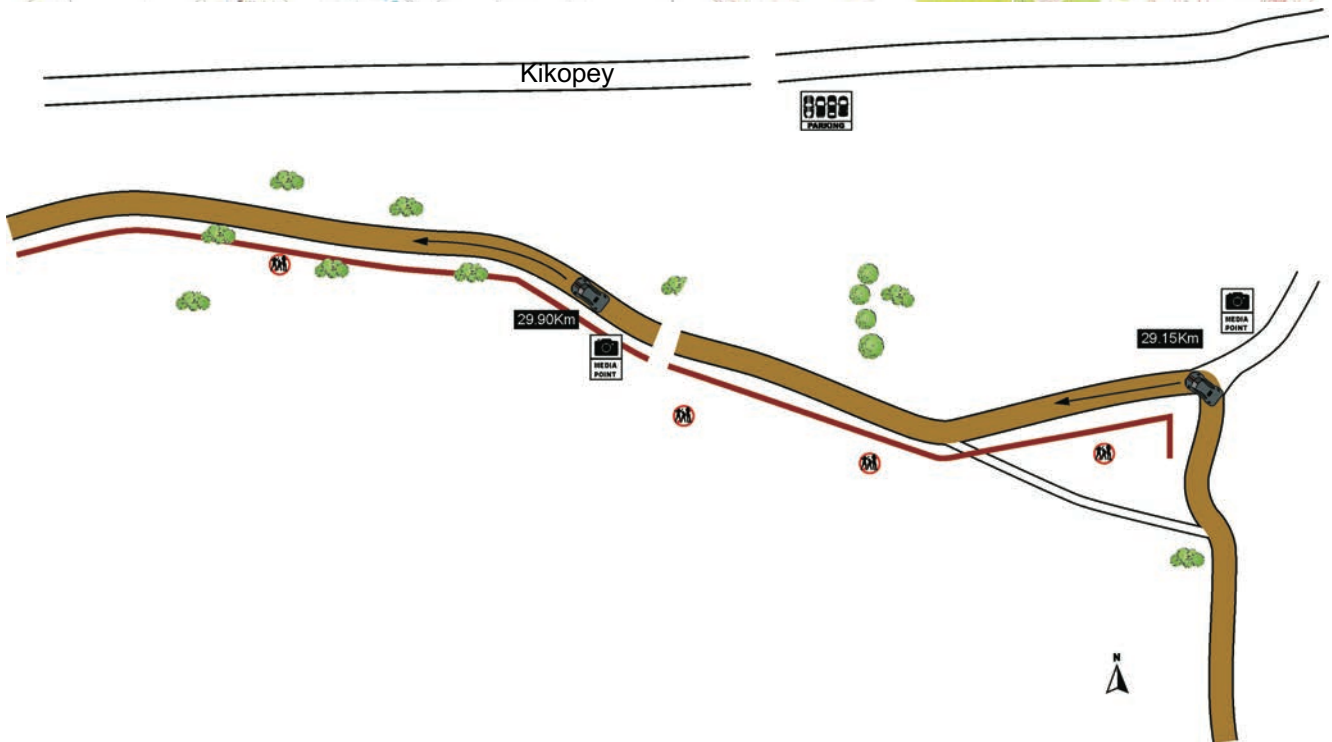
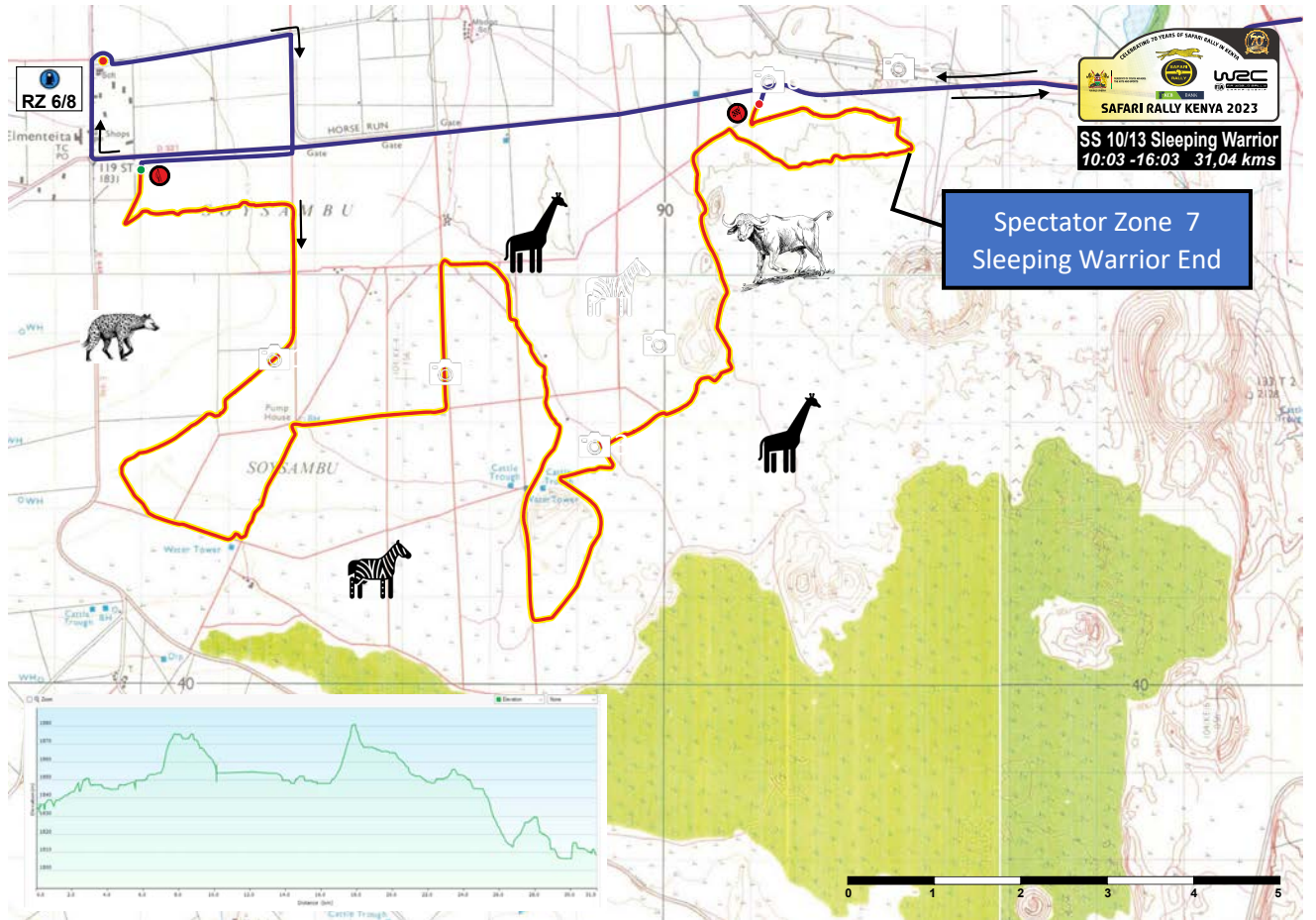
Spectators are strongly advised to access this zone well ahead of 5.00 am and plan beforehand to be in this Spectator area for the entire day.



SPECTATOR ZONE 7

SLEEPING WARRIOR

S0° 29.023' E36° 14.108



SPECTATOR ZONE 7

SLEEPING WARRIOR

S0° 29.023' E36° 14.108

Direction to Spectator Zone 7



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[Spectator Zone 7](#)
[Sleeping Warrior](#)



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A tight hairpin left with the Sleeping Warrior in the background. Cars will be at this location after a very tricky and potentially puncture ridden rocky section as they head to the FF in under 2 km

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SUNDAY 26 JUNE 2022
SS16/19 HELLSGATE
10.53km
ETA 08:08/12:32

SS16/19HELLSGATE 10.53KMS
@09:38 & 14:18

The final day of the 70th edition of the Safari Rally will see the Rally go around Lake Naivasha , via SS Malewa, SS Oserian and SS Hell's Gate. Once again, spectator will be well catered for at the designated zone to be created at Hell's Gate National Park.

Accessed via the KWS Elsa Gate off Moi South Lake road, this spectator zone will offer a secure parking area just inside the Park on a large levelled field from where fans can easily walk to the spectating areas. SS Hell's Gate will be a hive of activity for the day – not only showcasing the sweeping dash to the stage finish but also hosting the Podium ceremony for the winners of the Wolf Power Stage.

Spectators will only be allowed to access the Hell's Gate spectator area from the KWS Elsa Gate as all other entry/exits into the Park will be strictly reserved for Rally Traffic only.



TOYOTA GAZOO RACING



Kalle Rovannerä / Jonne Halttunen

Kalle Rovannerä is a Finnish rally driver. He is the son of Harri Rovannerä, who won the WRC Rally Sweden in 2001 and was a works driver for Peugeot and Mitsubishi.

I have really enjoyed the event both times we have been there. Already in 2021, we were going quite well until we got stuck in the sand. Then, last year, it was of course very special to win with a perfect result for the team. It's a rally that can depend a lot on the weather, because the conditions can change completely from one year to another. That makes it a really big challenge, but it's one that suits us quite well, I think. Let's see what the conditions will be like this year and hopefully we can have another strong weekend and score more good points for the championship."



Elfyn Evans / Scott Martin

Elfyn Evans is a British rally driver. Son of the former British Rally Championship champion Gwyndaf Evans, Elfyn Evans made his rally debut in 2006 in a Nissan Micra.)

"It's always difficult to know what we can expect on the Safari Rally, which is what makes it such a challenge for the teams and the crews. Most of the route will be the same as last year, but we know that the conditions can vary massively: not only from one year to the next, but also from one section of stage to another. We've already experienced a lot of different conditions there over the past couple of years, so we have been looking back through those events to prepare as best as we can, but we also need to be ready to adapt to whatever we face during the week. As a team we had a fantastic rally last year and hopefully we can be strong again."





Sébastien Ogier / Vincent Landais

Sébastien Ogier is a French rally driver. He began his rally career in 2005, when he was selected to take part in the FFSA Rallye Jeunes, a talent-spotting event organized by the French Federation of Automobile Sport. In 2007, he won the Peugeot 206 Cup, then went on to secure the Junior World Rally Championship in 2008.

“I have really enjoyed the experience of going to Kenya these past two years and this is the main reason why I wanted to return again. It’s something very different from what we are used to, and the country and its people are amazing. The rally is very tough and we know that luck can be a big factor: in 2021 it was possible for me to come back from more than two minutes behind to win, as almost everybody had an issue at some point. Every rally I start, I try to win, and we will give it everything like always. I hope we got all our bad luck out of the way in Sardinia and that fortune will be on our side this time.”



Takamoto Katsuta Driver Born— March 17, 1993 Nationality— Japan

Takamoto Katsuta is a Japanese rally driver. He drove in his first kart race at the age of 11, and at age 18 he won the Formula Challenge Japan (FCJ). He placed second overall in the Japanese Formula 3 Championship at age 20, and fourth overall the following year in 2014. In addition to competing in Formula 3, from 2012 he began limited participation in the GT86 in the Japanese Rally Championship, notching up his first JN5-class win in 2014. In 2015, he switched his focus fully to rally, becoming a member of the TGR Rally Challenge Program (now the WRC Challenge Program), and started competing overseas. In 2016, he began competing in some WRC 2 events, and achieved his first-ever WRC 2-class podium the following year at Rally Italia Sardegna. In 2018, he achieved his inaugural WRC 2 victory at Rally Sweden. In 2019, he won the WRC 2-class event at Rally Chile, secured two wins from two appearances in the Yaris WRC at the Finnish Rally Championship, then took the wheel of the Yaris WRC and competed in the WRC, the highest-level of rally competition, at Rallye Deutschland and Rally Spain. In 2020, he competed in five WRC events in the Yaris WRC, winning the Power Stage at the season-ending Rally Monza to secure his first-ever fastest time in WRC. During 2021, he claimed top-six finishes at each of the first six events, culminating in a maiden podium with second place at Safari Rally Kenya. In 2022, he competed in every WRC event in the GR Yaris Rally1 Hybrid as part of the TGR WRT Next Generation team. Aside from Rally New Zealand, where he was forced to retire, he was consistently in the points, finishing in the top- eight in every rally. He clinched third place and the final podium spot at both Safari Rally Kenya and the season-ending Rally Japan, and ended the season in fifth overall in the drivers’ championship.

HYUNDAI i20 N RALLY1 HYBRID – TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Cockpit

Seats:	OMP
Belts:	OMP, multiple fixing points belts with adjustable straps

Chassis/Bodywork

Structure:	FIA-conformant reinforced steel with welded multi-point roll cage, and composite fibre bodywork components
Length/Width:	4,100mm / 1,875mm
Track width:	1,665mm
Wheel base:	2,630mm
Fuel tank capacity:	60 litres
Weight:	1,260kg minimum / 1,430kg with driver and co-driver.



CREW PROFILES

THIERRY NEUVILLE AND MARTIJN WYDAEGHE

THIERRY NEUVILLE

WRC debut:	2009, Rallye Catalunya
WRC wins:	17
WRC podiums:	55
WRC starts:	142 (end of 2022)



THIERRY NEUVILLE

POB: Sankt Vith, Belgium
DOB: June 16, 1988

From his rally debut at age 19, Belgian star Thierry Neuville has always demonstrated raw speed and natural talent behind the wheel of rally machinery. He finished seventh in his debut WRC season in 2012, a prelude to a 2013 championship challenge.

Moving to Hyundai Motorsport for its inaugural WRC season in 2014, Neuville played a key role. He took the team's debut podium (Mexico) and victory (Germany), his first-ever WRC win. A second career win followed in Sardinia 2016, along with six additional podiums, helping him secure second in the drivers' standings.

The Belgian emerged as a regular contender for victories and podiums in the following years. In 2021, he was joined by co-driver Martijn Wydaeghe, and the pair quickly became a formidable force on the stages. Now with 17 wins to his name, including two in WRC's inaugural hybrid year, Neuville returns for his 10th season with the team ready to challenge for more titles.

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CREW PROFILES

ESAPEKKA LAPPI AND JANNE FERM

ESAPEKKA LAPPI

WRC debut:	2011, Rally Finland
WRC wins:	1
WRC podiums:	10
WRC starts:	72 (end of 2022)



ESAPEKKA LAPPI

POB: Pieksämäki, Finland
DOB: January 17, 1991

Esapekka Lappi has established himself across several rally series as a strong competitor on the stages. He was named Rookie of the Year in Finland in his first rallying season in 2010, and went on to win the Finnish Championship in 2012 and the ERC crown in 2014.

Lappi made his WRC2 debut in 2015, winning the title a year later in 2016. This saw him move up to the WRC class for the 2017 season, in which took his first WRC victory at his home event. Three more podiums and fifth in the standings followed in 2018.

After two challenging seasons, a stint back in WRC2 in 2021 allowed him to produce impressive results, resulting in his return to the WRC the following year. Lappi's experience is reflected in his consistency; he secured three podium finishes in seven events in 2022. With 28-years combined rallying experience, Lappi and co-driver Janne Ferm show great promise for a successful debut season with Hyundai Motorsport.

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CREW PROFILES

DANI SORDO AND CÁNDIDO CARRERA

DANI SORDO

WRC debut:	2003, Rallye Catalunya
WRC wins:	3
WRC podiums:	54
WRC starts:	182 (end of 2022)



DANI SORDO

POB: Torrelavega, Spain
DOB: May 2, 1983

Dani Sordo is one of the WRC's most seasoned drivers. In a career that started in motocross, karting and hill climbing, Sordo moved into rallying in 2001 and has not looked back since.

A string of runner-up results over the years led to a debut 2013 WRC win at Rallye Deutschland, shortly before he joined Hyundai Motorsport in 2014. He claimed second in the team's momentous 1-2 in Germany that year.

Sordo would become a regular visitor to the podium in the seasons that followed. The Spaniard secured his first Hyundai Motorsport victory in Sardinia 2019 and successfully defended it in 2020. His 10th season with the team will be his third with fellow countryman and experienced co-driver Cándido Carrera. After continued consistent results in 2022, where the pair secured three podium finishes in Portugal, Sardinia and Greece, the 2023 WRC season has a lot in store for the Spanish duo.

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Ott-Tanak

Determined, intense and blisteringly quick, Tänak lets his driving do the talking. A surprise move sees the 2019 world champion return to M-Sport Ford for the 2023 season.

NATIONALITY	EST
Date of Birth	15.10.1987
Birthplace	Kärla Parish, Estonia
First Rally	2009, Rally de Portugal
Co-Driver	Martin Järveoja
WRC titles	1 (2019)
WRC wins	18
WRC podiums	44
WRC stage wins	336



Pierre-Louis Loubet

Pierre-Louis Loubet has a foot in the door of the big time. He served a thorough apprenticeship in the WRC's support categories but suffered a fraught debut year in a World Rally Car. A fresh start at M-Sport Ford brings a major career opportunity.

NATIONALITY	FRA
Date of Birth	18.02.1997
Birthplace	Bastia, France
First Rally	2015, Rally de Portugal
Co-Driver	Nicolas Gilsoul
WRC Titles	WRC2 (2019)
WRC wins	-
WRC podiums	-
WRC stage wins	4



Jourdan-Serderidis

NATIONALITY	GRE
Date of Birth	29.01.1964
Birthplace	Greece
First WRC rally	2013 (Wales Rally GB)
WRC2 wins	0
WRC2 podiums	0
WRC2 stage wins	0
Co-Driver	Andy Malfoy





HAMZA ANWAR

DOB: 27 th September 1998

Club: RSC

Occupation: Businessman

Race Debut: 2017- Kipeto

Car: Ford Fiesta Rally 3

Team: Hamza Anwar Motorsport

Career Highlights

- 1.Winner KCB MMC Autocross 2021 at Vipingo-FDT overall
- 2.Second Overall 2WD NT Class Championship- 2017/2018
3. 5th overall 2021 ARC Equator Rally
4. Kenya's representative in the 2023 FIA Junior WRC and WRC3
5. Finisher WRC Rally Sweden 2023
6. Africa Junior Rally champion-2022
7. 2022 FIA African Rally Championship (ARC) -3rd overall



JEREMIAH WAHOME

Date of Birth: 14/12/1998

Nationality: Kenyan

Career Highlights

- 1.Round 1 KNRC 2023 Winner
- 2.First KNRC career victory- RSC Machakos Rally 2023
- 3.Previously competed in various open-wheel formular, including the BRDC British Formula 3 Championship and F3 Asian Championship.
- 4.Competed in 43 races for between 2016-17
- 5.Twice WRC3 competitor on WRC Safari Rally -2021/22
- 6.Started his racing career with go-karts as a contender in the Kenya National Karting Championship at Solai racetrack in Nakuru
- 7.Participated in 5 rounds of the FIA ARC in 2022-finishng 4th overall
- 8.Finisher of two WRC Safari Rally events in 2021 and 2022; finishing 16th overall (on his debut) and 21st overall
- 9.ARC Equator Rally 2022-4th overall with Victor Okundi





JASMEET SINGH CHANA

DOB: 9th January 1978
 Hometown: Nairobi
 Occupation: Auto Mechanic
 Sponsors: identisys Ltd
 Family: Married to Sheetal Chana
 First event and result: KCB Safari Rally 2007 /3rd overall in 2WD
 Car: Mitsubishi Evox
 Team: CRS Motorsport

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS:

1. KNRC Division One driver
2. 2WD winner in KCB Safari Rally -2009
3. Group S drivers champion - 2012
4. 2nd overall Kenya National Rally Championship 2022 behind Karan Patel
5. Two-times former 2WD Champion in a VW Golf -2007 & 2009
6. 8th overall KCB Safari Rally 2014
7. 2WD KCB Eldoret rally winner in 2007
8. KNRC Division 3 drivers' champion - 2013
9. 3rd Overall position - KCB Machakos Rally 2014



CARL "FLASH" TUNDO

Current car: Skoda Fabia Rally 2
Previous Cars:
 Proton Neo Satria S2000, Subaru GC8
 Family: Married with kids
 Resides: Nakuru
 DOB: 11/12/1973
 Occupation: Agribusiness
 First Road Car: Suzuki jeep
 First Rally Car: Subaru Leone
 First Event: Nakuru '95
 Current Navigator: Tim Jessop

Career Highlights:

1. 5 times Safari Rally winner
2. 4 Times KNRC champion in 2007, 2009, 2012 & 2018
3. Motor Sports Personality of the Year 2005
4. Organizing Committee Chairman of 2023 WRC Safari Rally
5. First ever driver to win a KNRC round behind the wheel of an S2000 (Proton) marque



KENYA NATIONAL RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP 2023

KENYA NATIONAL RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP DRIVERS											
POS	DRIVER	KNRC 1	KNRC 2	KNRC 3	KNRC 4	KNRC 5	KNRC 6	KNRC 7	KNRC 8	KNRC 9	TOTAL
		RSC	EQUATOR	RVMSC	SAFARI	NRG	MMC	KMSC	SUC	KRT	
1	Jasmeet Chana	23	28	33							84
2	McRae Kimathi	27	17	DNE							44
3	Kush Patel	17	17	DNF							34
3=	Karan Patel	DNE	34	DNE							34
5	Jeremiah Wahome	30	DNF	DNE							30
6	Hamza Anwar	DNE	DNF	26							26
7	Izhar Mirza	DNE	23	DNE							23
8	Amman Shah	DNE	DNE	22							22
9	Asad Anwar	DNE	21	DNF							21
10	Eric Bengi	20	DNE	DNE							20
11	Nikhil Sacania	DNE	19	DNF							19
11=	Shakeel Khan	DNE	DNE	19							19
13	Rasminder Bhabra	15	DNE	DNE							15
14	Daren Miranda	13	DNE	DNE							13
15	Rio Smith	11	DNF	DNE							11
	Ghalib Hajee	DNE	DNE	DNF							
	Aakif Virani	DNF	DNF	DNE							
	Pietro Cannobio	DNE	DNF	DNE							
	Nzioka Waita	DNE	DNF	DNE							
	Anthony Neilsen	DNE	DNF	DNE							
	Ian Duncan	DNE	DNF	DNE							
	Raaji Bharij	DNE	DNF	DNE							
	Evans Kavisi	DNF	DNE	DNE							
	Edward Maina	DNF	DNE	DNE							
	Sam Karangatha	DNF	DNE	DNE							
	Sameer Nanji	DNF	DNE	DNE							
	Rajveer Thethy	DSQ	DNE	DNE							

Power Stage Points
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 DNS - Did Not Start
 DSQ - Disqualified



KENYA NATIONAL RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP 2023

KENYA NATIONAL RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP CO-DRIVERS											
POS	CO-DRIVER	KNRC 1	KNRC 2	KNRC 3	KNRC 4	KNRC 5	KNRC 6	KNRC 7	KNRC 8	KNRC 9	TOTAL
		RSC	EQUATOR	RVMSC	SAFARI	NRG	MMC	KMSC	SUC	KRT	
1	Ravi Chana	23	28	33							84
2	Mwangi Kioni	27	17	DNE							44
3	Mudassar Chaudry	17	17	DNF							34
3=	Tauseef Khan	DNE	34	DNE							34
5	Victor Okundi	30	DNF	DNE							30
6	Adnan Din	DNE	DNF	26							26
7	Kavit Dave	DNE	23	DNE							23
8	Rahil Shah	DNE	DNE	22							22
9	Shameer Yusuf	DNE	21	DNF							21
10	Murage Waigwa	20	DNE	DNE							20
11	Deep Patel	DNE	19	DNF							19
11=	Assad Mughal	DNE	DNE	19							19
13	Devan Bhundia	15	DNE	DNE							15
14	Linet Ayuko	13	DNE	DNE							13
15	Riyaz Ismail	11	DNF	DNF							11
	Azhar Bhatti	DNF	DNF	DNE							
	Tuta Mionki	DNE	DNF	DNE							
	William Bass	DNE	DNF	DNE							
	Jaspal Matharu	DNE	DNF	DNE							
	Ravi Soni	DNE	DNF	DNE							
	Absalom Aswani	DNF	DNE	DNE							
	Anthony Gichohi	DNF	DNE	DNE							
	Edward Ndukiu	DNF	DNE	DNE							
	Vinay Shah	DNF	DNE	DNE							
	Wayne Fernandes	DSQ	DNE	DNE							

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NO DRONES



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NIKHIL SACHANIA

Nickname: Nik

Event: KNRC

Date of Birth: 07/01/89

Team: Filmico Racing Team

Profession: Project Manager

Hometown: Nairobi

Car: Mitsubishi Lancer Evo 10 (hand-controlled)

Navigator: Deep Patel

CAREER ACHIEVEMENTS

1. Motorsport Personality of the year 2014.
2. SOYA disability award winner –year 2014/2015
3. KNRC SPV Champion 2014
4. KNRC SPV Champion 2018
5. KNRC Division 3 Champion 2018
6. Beneficiary of the FIA Disability and Accessibility Commission (DAA) grant



McRae Kimathi

Hometown: Meru

Lives in: Nairobi

Car: Ford Fiesta Rally3

Navigator: Mwangi Kioni

Occupation: Accountant

KNRC Class: Division One

CAREER ACHIEVEMENTS

1. 8th Overall Arc Equator Rally 2021
2. 5th Overall Meru Rally 2019
3. 22nd Overall Wrc Candidate Safari 2019
4. Junior WRC and WRC 3 participant in 2022
5. 2021 ARC Junior Champion
6. ARC 3 Champion 2022



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KARAN PATEL

DOB: 7th May 1991

Hometown: Nairobi

Occupation:

Licensed Aircraft Maintenance Engineer

Class: KNRC Division 1

Team: Filmico Racing Team/KCB Racing Team

Cars: Ford Fiesta Rally2/Evolution X

First Event and Result: Kiambu Training Rally

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS:

1. 2014 KNRC Group S and Division 3 Champion
2. Former East African 85cc Motocross Champion
3. S class winner -KCB Safari Rally 2014
4. Kenya's first Red Bull Athlete
5. KNRC Division 1 Champion 2017
6. First WRC Rally: 2016 (Vodafone Rally de Portugal)
7. Took part in five Europe-based events of the 2016 JWRC series
8. 2022 KNRC overall and Division One Champion
9. 2022 ARC 2nd Overall
10. Second in WRC3 -2021 Safari Rally behind Onkar Rai
11. 8th overall -WRC Safari Rally 2021
12. 2022 Kenya Motor Sports Personality of the year
13. Reigning KNRC Champion



RIO SMITH

DOB: 15/7/202

CAR: Ford Fiesta

Career Highlights

1. Second generation driver: Son of former ARC-Don Smith and navigator Sonal Smith
2. ARC 4 Champion 2022
3. Started his racing career with autocross buggies
4. 2023 Machakos Rally -9th overall
5. 2021 WRC Safari Rally -26th overall
6. 2022 Equator Rally -10th overall



CAMPING DURING THE RALLY.

Landowners who will host the Rally have kindly accepted to allow camping on their respective Ranches so that interested spectators can not only watch the Rally from the vicinity of their Camps but also enjoy a weekend of family fun while camping.

Campers will be expected to enter their choice of the Ranches offering Camping, a day before the respective stage goes live so that they have ample time to set up camp in the designated Campsites and familiarize themselves with the spectating zones.

Please note that the entry and exit from the Ranches will be controlled and managed by the respective Ranches.

Contact the following Ranches / Conservancies for further information and guidance on Campsites.

1. Kedong Ranch-	Mr. Amos	+254 722 639 333
2. Soysambu / Sleeping Warrior-	Mr. Robin	+254 723 430 663

Other Campsites

3.Kedong-	Mr. Nick	+254 702 266 712
4.Kedong-Miti Mbili	Hakim Mohammed	+254 722 981 367
4.Sleeping Warrior-	Mr. Dennis Kirwa	+254 720 504 354

List of useful facts and services

The climate in Nairobi County is cooler than average areas in Kenya. Average temperatures for June are between 14-23 degree centigrade.

The climate in Nakuru County is milder than average areas in Kenya. Average temperatures for June are between 9-25 degree centigrade

The tap water is safe to drink when boiled. Drink bottled water bought from supermarkets. The electric supply is 240 volts. Plugs and sockets are of a three-pin design, type G.

Time Zone

The official time during the rally will be GMT time.

Sunrise 6:00 am.

Sunset 6:30 pm.

Plus 3hr GMT Greenwich Mean Time (GMT)





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