



Tim in KY TdF Stage 2 is 209 kilometers from Vitoria-Gasteiz north and east to San Sebastián on the Bay of Biscay near the French border.

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Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1688233470-stage-2-route.jpg>

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Tim in KY The first 40 kilometers are essentially flat along an interior plateau. The route then descends to hilly terrain all the way to the coast. As on stage one, there are numerous climbs but only five are categorized, two Cat 3s, two Cat 4s and a Cat 2 that crests just 16 km from the finish. 8 kms are descent and the final 8 toward the finish on the waterfront. The finish route is slightly complicated but there will be no bunch sprint.

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Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1688233586-stage-2-profile.jpg>

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Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1688233599-stage-2-jaizkibel.jpg>

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Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1688233611-stage-2-route-finale.jpg>

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Tim in KY Kilometer zero is scheduled for 12:25 CEST. Finish is imagined either side of 17:15. Forecast is for cloudy but dry inland with an increasing likelihood of showers nearing the coast. Temps in the low-20s.

07-01-2023
01:42:32 pm



Tim in KY Doesn't seem to be much in the way of overnight news.

07-02-2023
06:12:11 am



Tim in KY Neutral start.

07-02-2023
06:16:36 am



Tim in KY Sound brake-up again on the ASO feed.

07-02-2023
06:20:40 am



Tim in KY Km 0 but no start.

07-02-2023
06:30:33 am

SAINT-SÉBASTIEN



Jaizkibel
B 2

Côte de Gurutze
4

Côte d'Alkiza
3

Côte d'Azitia
4

Col d'Udana
3

VITORIA-GASTEIZ

FRANCE

ESPAÑA

NAVARRA

Pampelune

Océan Atlantique

BISCAYE

GUIPUZCOA

URKIOIA

Km 0

URBASA

TROIS COURONNES

SEÑORIO DE BERTIZ

Hondarrabia

Errenteria

Oñate

Tolosa

Beasáin

Oñate

Legazpi

Legutio

Vitoria-Gasteiz

FRANCE

Côte de Gurutze

Errenteria

Beasáin

Oñate

Legazpi

Legutio

Vitoria-Gasteiz

Vitoria-Gasteiz

Saint-Jean-de-Luz

Bayonne

Anglet

Urrugne

Urrugne

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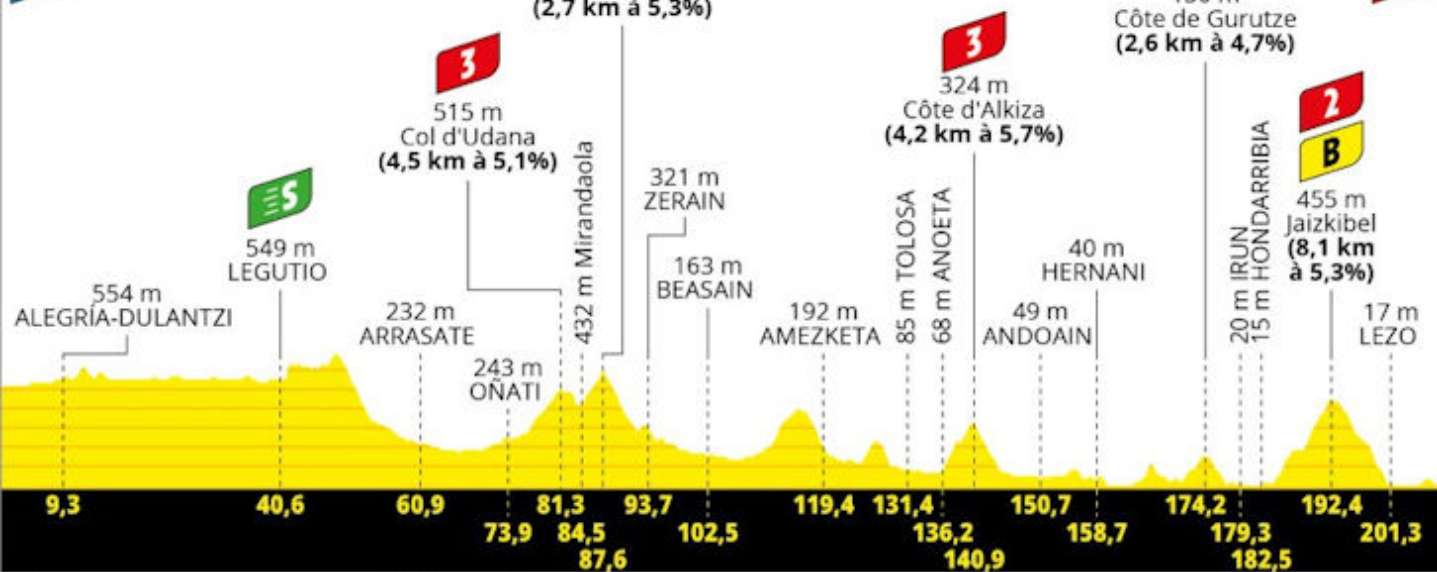
VITORIA-GASTEIZ

511 m



SAINT-SÉBASTIEN

15 m



ALAVA

GUIPUSCOA

ESPAGNE

0

208,9 km

15 m HONDARRIBIA

Pied de col **km 184,5**

Jaizkibel
455 m - km 192,5
(8,1 km à 5,4%)

185 m
Sanctuaire de
Guadalupeko Ama
km 187,5

Pourcentage moyen par kilomètre

4,6

7,7

4,9

4,2

7,8

7,5

7,7

7,2

1

2

3

4

5

6

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8

500 m

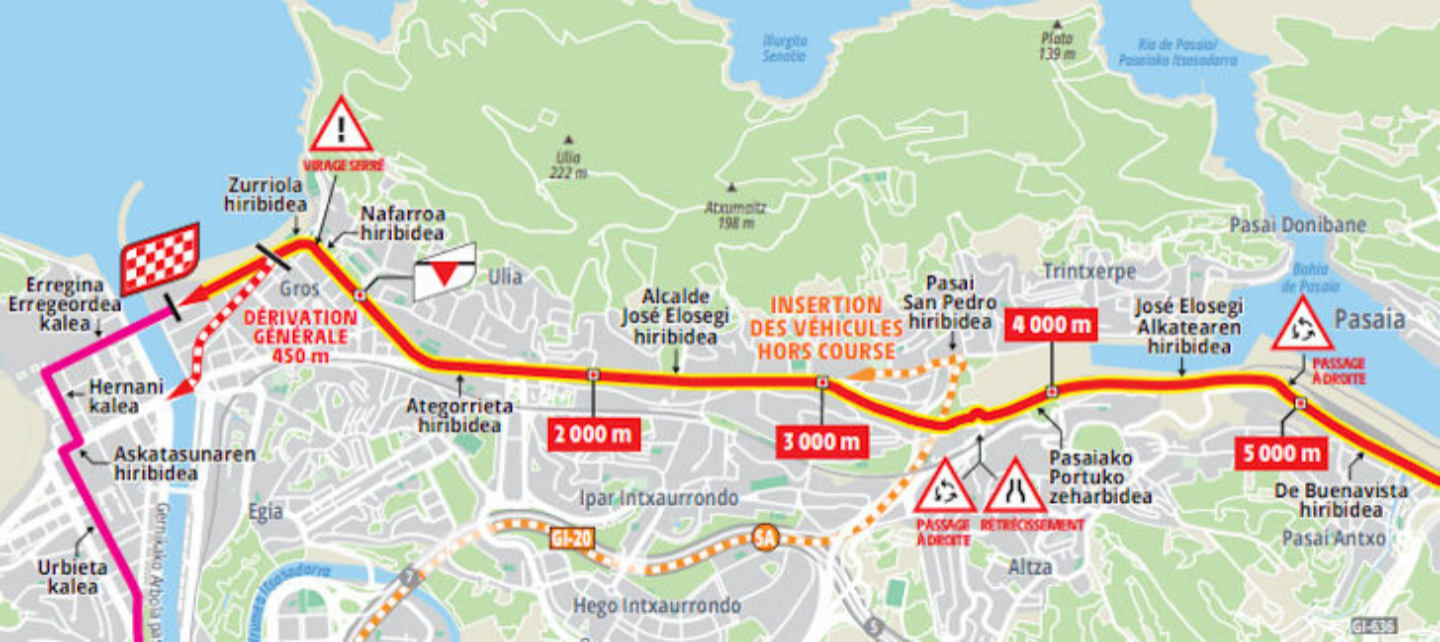
400 m

300 m

200 m

100 m

0 m



VIRAGE SERRÉ

Zurriola hiribidea

Nafarroa hiribidea

Erregina Erregeordea kalea

Gros

Ulia

Alcalde José Elosegui hiribidea

INSERTION DES VÉHICULES HORS COURSE

Pasai San Pedro hiribidea

Trintxerpe

José Elosegui Alkatearen hiribidea

Pasai Donibane

Pasaia

Hernani kalea

Egia

Ategorrieta hiribidea

2 000 m

3 000 m

4 000 m

Pasaia Portuko zeharbidea

5 000 m

De Buenavista hiribidea

Askatasunaren hiribidea

Urbieta kalea

Gerritako Arbolakalea

Egia

Ipar Intxaurrondo

GI-20

SA

PASSAGE À DROITE

RÉTRÉCISSEMENT

PASSAGE À DROITE

Hego Intxaurrondo

Altza

Pasai Antxo

GI-636



Tim in KY Finally. Going to be a fight for the break today.

07-02-2023
06:33:39 am



Tim in KY This is the longest stage of le Tour.

07-02-2023
06:34:39 am



Tim in KY Rain chances at the finish have decreased considerably.

07-02-2023
06:36:28 am



Joanna in Virginia Quick pop-in to watch the Depart Attacks.

07-02-2023
06:37:01 am



Joanna in Virginia And, Good Morning!

07-02-2023
06:37:07 am



Tim in KY Hi, Jo.

07-02-2023
06:38:01 am



Joanna in Virginia Hi Tim!

07-02-2023
06:39:18 am



Tim in KY Three riders out front peloton in barrage mode.

07-02-2023
06:44:07 am



Joanna in Virginia Have a great day everyone, I'm off to the barn. :-)

07-02-2023
06:45:37 am



Tim in KY EBH, Dots and Cavagna in the break.

07-02-2023
06:47:39 am



Tim in KY EF and UAE blocking the peloton.

07-02-2023
06:49:47 am



BusterSci Hiya. Â Going to be intermittent for at least today. Â Being here yesterday really triggered the repetitive stress issues so I've gotta tail back a bit.

07-02-2023
06:54:49 am



Tim in KY Powless is now virtual yellow.

07-02-2023
06:57:35 am



Tim in KY Interesting stat from PCS. EBH has started 239 stages of le Tour.

07-02-2023
06:59:20 am



Tim in KY Gap is 4:34 and nothing of importance is happening.

07-02-2023
07:24:46 am



BusterSci Is Nelson going to be the beneficiary of a team that doesn't want to defend the jersey yet?

07-02-2023
07:51:50 am



BusterSci Damn autocorrect. Â Again, changed it three times and it still rewrote Neilson after I had continued typing.

07-02-2023
07:51:51 am



Tim in KY I don't think so. If UAE doesn't want it, and I don't know why they would, Jayco will be glad to have it.

07-02-2023
07:56:35 am



BusterSci Sure. Â If Simon was in the break. But I suspect this stage may go to a descender. Â WHF, Pidcock, Mohoric, etc.

07-02-2023
07:59:56 am



Tim in KY Powless gets 2 more KOM points. Not much of a descent before the start of the Cat 4.

07-02-2023
08:20:29 am



Tim in KY Gap is already coming down.

07-02-2023
08:21:27 am



Rocket City Gal Morning, all.Â I read that Mas broke his shoulderblade, Carapaz out with cracked kneecap / stitched gash on knee.Â They were flying downhill at about 55 kph when they hit the deck.Â The road looked good.Â No word on what caused the crash.

07-02-2023
08:30:02 am



Katie S Good morning.

07-02-2023
08:30:42 am



Tim in KY The breakers crossed the Cat 4 KOM line exactly on the imagined time.

07-02-2023
08:30:57 am



Katie S Yikes, those are painful injuries.

07-02-2023
08:31:11 am



Tim in KY Good morning Katies.

07-02-2023
08:31:11 am



Katie S We timed our catch to perfection

07-02-2023
08:31:21 am



Rocket City Gal I've been listing some of my tie dye stuff and will be making

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08:33:18 am

breakfast soon.Â Made some yummy pizzas for dinner last night.Â We do that about once every couple of months.Â I think these turned out the best ever.Â Homemade Amatriciano-style sauce (diced tomatoes, bacon and some other stuff), topped with pineapple, ham, jalapenos from our garden, and cheese.Â The other had the same base but featured pepperoni, hot Italian sausage, garden cherry/grape tomatoes that I'd slow-roasted in the oven for 2 hours at 250 degrees (turns them into sweet tomato-bombs), garden green peppers, garden jalapenos, and a few olives, with cheese.Â I guess we were celebrating the Giro Donne, as it was not Spanish or French fare.



Katie Lane <https://rumbletalk-images->

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Rocket City Gal (photos from the alter-ego using my phone)

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08:36:02 am



Tim in KY 40+ km and two uncategorized climbs to the start of the second Cat 3.

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08:36:19 am



Rocket City Gal There's not a whole lot of flat in this area.

07-02-2023

08:36:58 am



Rocket City Gal Van Vlueten has done her thing in Italy again.Â I will miss seeing her light up races next year.

07-02-2023

08:37:46 am



Rocket City Gal Actually, I think I'm confused.Â They're still racing in Italy and the results are yet to be determined.Â I guess the whole scrubbing of the first stage has me confused about what stage they're racing.

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08:39:26 am



Rocket City Gal In the women's race, the peloton is all together with under 5 km to go.

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08:39:56 am



Tim in KY Gap is back over 4:00.

07-02-2023

08:42:35 am









Katie S The women just finished - nice spring with Wiebes, Vos, Dygart, Paternoster ... and Lorena gets it!

07-02-2023
08:45:07 am



Rocket City Gal Wiebes is hard to beat in a flat sprint.

07-02-2023
08:46:09 am



bikerabe Giro Donne update Wiebes wins bunch sprint Vab Vlueten still leads

07-02-2023
08:46:38 am



Rocket City Gal It's going to be another steamy hottish day here, although a little cooler. We had several rounds of strong t-storms yesterday which weren't really predicted. After the rain we don't seem to have all the haze hanging around from the Canadian wildfires.

07-02-2023
08:47:30 am



Rocket City Gal Per Proccyclingstats, SD Worx has won 46 races this year, Wiebes now has 67 career wins, and Vos had been in 2nd place in 38 pro races.

07-02-2023
08:49:28 am



Katie S On those "play through" ads on TV, wherein an ad plays with audio on one side of a split screen and the sporting event you are watching appears on the other side of the screen ... I find it fascinating that -- even if I mute the sound -- my eyes continue to flit to the ad rather than staying affixed to the bike race.

07-02-2023
08:56:54 am



Rocket City Gal So, has anyone else noticed that Biniam's name used to be spelled (on PCS/Velogames etc) "Grmay", but that now it's "Girmay"? Unless I'm hallucinating (which could be the case) I think there's also another pro cyclist with a last name of Girmay.

07-02-2023
08:59:02 am



Katie S i did notice that\

07-02-2023
09:00:19 am



Tim in KY It's spelled Girmay on VG, too.

07-02-2023
09:02:12 am



Rocket City Gal There's a Tsgabu Grmay.

07-02-2023
09:03:28 am



Tim in KY Wet roads on this uncategorized climb but not currently raining.

07-02-2023
09:04:24 am



Rocket City Gal He was the first ever Ethiopian pro cyclist. I wonder if they're related....

07-02-2023
09:04:32 am



Trish in MA Morning, all. I have cleaned up the kitchen from last night's festivities, ripped out and reknit a little present for a friend's birthday today, and got stuff ready for the food I'm taking to the birthday party.

07-02-2023
09:04:34 am



Katie S Horses!

07-02-2023
09:08:34 am



Katie S Hey! my state flag!

07-02-2023
09:09:33 am



Katie S Trish - how were the festivities and what are you taking to the birthday party?

07-02-2023
09:10:27 am



Tim in KY Gap has come down a whole minute on this descent.

07-02-2023
09:15:25 am



PasadenaK8 Mornin'™, all. Was just reading upstream here that this is the longest stage today - (wooooF) Reminded me of a handy article that Buster introduced us to, many, many moons ago. I now search for it every year. It tells you when you can take a "sieste", and when the action are both estimated to happen. (They now even have it so you can import the info into your Calendar - so funny) From Le Monde: "Guide de la sieste sur le Tour de France 2023 : tous les moments forts de la Grande Boucle" importer dans votre calendrier https://www.lemonde.fr/les-decodeurs/article/2023/06/28/guide-de-la-sieste-sur-le-tour-de-france-2023-tous-les-moments-forts-de-la-grande-boucle-a-importer-dans-votre-calendrier_6179522_4355770.html

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09:19:11 am



Katie S Hi K8. What a handy tool! I think it also means -- when you can attend to business and when you have to ditch your job responsibilities because the race is hotting up.

07-02-2023
09:22:13 am



PasadenaK8 Hee-hee, exactly! (Has come in handy a few times, for those very reasons)

07-02-2023
09:24:20 am



Katie S I love these days in the Basque country. Beautiful all around.

07-02-2023
09:28:43 am



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09:30:53 am



Tim in KY Gap is down to 2:40.

07-02-2023
09:30:53 am





PasadenaK8 Some of my favorite landscape in that area. A little hamlet called La Cuba.

07-02-2023
09:31:37 am



Tim in KY Very wet roads now but rain is gone.

07-02-2023
09:31:42 am



Tim in KY Next Cat 3 starts in 3 km.

07-02-2023
09:32:58 am



PasadenaK8 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uVmU3iANbgk>

07-02-2023
09:33:03 am



Katie S The rain in Basque stays mainly in the flask? Behind a mask?

07-02-2023
09:33:34 am



PasadenaK8 :D

07-02-2023
09:34:05 am



Katie S Gap is 2'30" w 3 k to the summit. Looks like Cavagana is getting dropped from the front

07-02-2023
09:40:26 am



Katie Lane Yep. Â And then there were two

07-02-2023
09:40:50 am



Katie S Neilson (who I did not pick as my representative American on my team) looking strong

07-02-2023
09:41:23 am



Katie S Uphill crash

07-02-2023
09:41:44 am



Katie S very slo-mo, everyone back up

07-02-2023
09:42:07 am



Katie Lane In slo-mo. Listen Jo

07-02-2023
09:42:12 am



Katie Lane Lutsenko, not â€œ listen joâ€□

07-02-2023
09:42:43 am



Katie S pretty funny, tho

07-02-2023
09:42:53 am



Tim in KY I am glad I don't have autocorrect.

07-02-2023
09:44:02 am



Tim in KY Gap is down to 2 minutes with about 2KU to go.

07-02-2023
09:46:02 am



Tim in KY I hope the descent of the Cat 2 is dry.

07-02-2023
09:47:37 am



Katie S Powless gets the dot points

07-02-2023
09:47:52 am



Katie S wasn't contested

07-02-2023
09:48:03 am



Tim in KY And keeps the jersey for tomorrow.

07-02-2023
09:48:10 am



Katie S "Bicyclists may have full use of the lane" ... and they're using it, but it's not very wide...

07-02-2023
09:51:20 am



Katie S Wow, that's quite a superstructure looming above this idyllic little spot.

07-02-2023
09:56:15 am



Tim in KY There's no more rain showing on the radar. But that doesn't dry the roads.

07-02-2023
09:57:00 am



Katie Lane [https://rumbletalk-images-](https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1688306552-1688306252807.jpeg)

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09:57:34 am



Katie S Ooooooh, bird TV!

07-02-2023
09:57:46 am



Katie Lane A strange bird has shown up at the feeder

07-02-2023
09:57:53 am



Katie S the furry flightless species

07-02-2023
09:58:14 am



Tim in KY I always has squirrel baffles on my bird feeders.

07-02-2023
09:58:48 am





Tim in KY Sunshine again.

07-02-2023
10:01:18 am



Katie Lane https://rumbledtalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1688306678-IMG_1975.mov

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10:01:20 am



Katie S <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hFZfjX2cGg>

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10:01:53 am



Katie S this guy embraced the squirrel issue

07-02-2023
10:02:02 am



Katie Lane We mostly have "squirrelproof" feeders (in the video the squirrel™s jumping onto one from the screen feeder). They™ve figured out how to circumvent most of the anti-squirrel features.

07-02-2023
10:02:15 am



Katie S looks like a UAE went down

07-02-2023
10:03:07 am



Katie Lane This guy is great. He™ the one that made the glitter-bomb fart-spray box for porch thieves.

07-02-2023
10:03:26 am



Katie S Trentin down, over at a team car

07-02-2023
10:03:39 am



Katie S got a bike change

07-02-2023
10:03:49 am



Katie S i missed what actually happened, but spectators seemed to be seeing if he was all right (he was already standing)

07-02-2023
10:04:33 am



Katie S 1 KU to go

07-02-2023
10:04:59 am



Katie Lane He started a little slow but looks ok

07-02-2023
10:05:08 am



Katie S oh, sorry. 1 American Unit to go

07-02-2023
10:05:18 am



Katie S Powless duo is keeping the lead above 2 minutes

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10:09:26 am



Katie Lane They are riding steady

07-02-2023
10:10:21 am



Katie Lane Not slacking off, not overdoing it either.

07-02-2023
10:10:58 am



Katie Lane In the women's race, Paternoster is no longer listed in the top 10, and the final results are still not up. A Relegation and ongoing review, perhaps?

07-02-2023
10:16:14 am



Tim in KY 7 km to the start of the Cat 4 and 21 km to the start of the Cat 2.

07-02-2023
10:20:18 am



PasadenaK8 TdF RC: Peloton pedaling at about 47km/h vs Lead Group at just under 45+km/h. Zee gap, she eez coming down....

07-02-2023
10:21:15 am



Katie S The Yates parents are having their TdF mpments

07-02-2023
10:23:32 am



Katie S sweet

07-02-2023
10:23:36 am



Katie S Paternoster is on my team

07-02-2023
10:24:19 am



PasadenaK8 Ouch...

07-02-2023
10:30:06 am



Katie S Didn't think O'Connor would remount after that

07-02-2023
10:32:11 am



Katie S (i'm stepping away from the Pub to make some victuals)

07-02-2023
10:32:32 am



Trish in MA Didi!

07-02-2023
10:33:06 am



Mikey Good Morning

07-02-2023
10:37:12 am



PasadenaK8 Mornin', Mikey!

07-02-2023
10:37:54 am



Tim in KY EBH caught.

07-02-2023
10:42:47 am



Tim in KY Cat 2 starts for Powless.

07-02-2023
10:44:19 am



Tim in KY Pog is without teammates on this climb.

07-02-2023
10:47:27 am



Mikey Chris Harper?

07-02-2023
10:50:18 am



Tim in KY UAE keeps finding riders.

07-02-2023
10:53:33 am



Katie S c'mon Powless

07-02-2023
10:54:41 am



Katie Lane Caught

07-02-2023
10:55:41 am



Mikey Crap

07-02-2023
10:56:04 am



Tim in KY Only about 25 riders in the front group now.

07-02-2023
10:58:25 am



Mikey Uphill sprint?

07-02-2023
11:01:30 am



Mikey I guess so

07-02-2023
11:02:31 am



Tim in KY Road is still a bit damp on the descent.

07-02-2023
11:03:03 am



Katie S mano a mano in the foggo

07-02-2023
11:03:14 am



Tim in KY 7 km of descent then 8 km of flat.

07-02-2023
11:04:24 am



PasadenaK8 Bonus points AND bonus seconds! 1. Tadej Pogacar, 5 pts / 8
2. Jonas Vingegaard, 3 pts / 5
3. Simon Yates, 2 pts / 2
4. Giulio Ciccone, 1 pt

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11:04:40 am



Mikey Nice to see Bernal in there

07-02-2023

11:08:53 am



Tim in KY Bilbao doing a heck of a descent.

07-02-2023

11:09:06 am



PasadenaK8 1/10 of a KU to go!

07-02-2023

11:15:55 am



Tim in KY First Stage win for Cofidis in 15 years.

07-02-2023

11:20:11 am



Mikey Wow did not see him staying away

07-02-2023

11:20:19 am



Trish in MA Wow! Whodda thunk it?

07-02-2023

11:20:41 am



PasadenaK8 Wow, 15 years!!! Good on Confidis and LaFay

07-02-2023

11:20:49 am



John So happy for him and the team!

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11:20:55 am



John Nice to see them finally get a win

07-02-2023

11:21:04 am



Mikey So in the bus today....during the team meeting.... ok LaFay

07-02-2023

11:21:40 am



PasadenaK8 Flat and border crossing tomorrow ~ demain...

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11:28:46 am