



Tim in KY VaE Stage 14 is 154 kilometers in the mountains near Granada riding big loops from Jaén to a summit finish on Sierra de la Pandera.

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Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1788543508-stage-14-route.jpg>

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Tim in KY Another day of roads only going up or going down but also another day of only three categorizes climbs, all in the last half of the race. In all there is 4,338 meters of climbing culminating in the Cat 1 finale that is 12 kilometers averaging 12% but is very irregular with some descending sections and some very steep.

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Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1788543681-stage-14-pandera.jpg>

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Tim in KY Kilometer zero is scheduled for 13:33 CEST. Finish is imagined either side of 17:30. Forecast is for more hot and dry with temps in the upper-30s. Peacock stream from 14:30 CEST.

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Joanna in Virginia Hi All! For those who saw my post in the FB Lugnuts page trying to figure out if it was Toulouse that made a huge donation to the Tip Jar at the end of Le Tour - it has now been confirmed! So, a belated THANK YOU to Toulouse for the generous donation!

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Tim in KY Stage 13 abandons: DNS: Alexey Lutsenko (NSN), illness. DNF: Gregor Mühlberger (Decath), crash on stage 13, Pavel Sivakov (UAE), Francesco Busatto and Sente Sentjens (Alpecin).

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Tim in KY Moritz Kretschy (NSN) will not start today. NSN is down to four riders.

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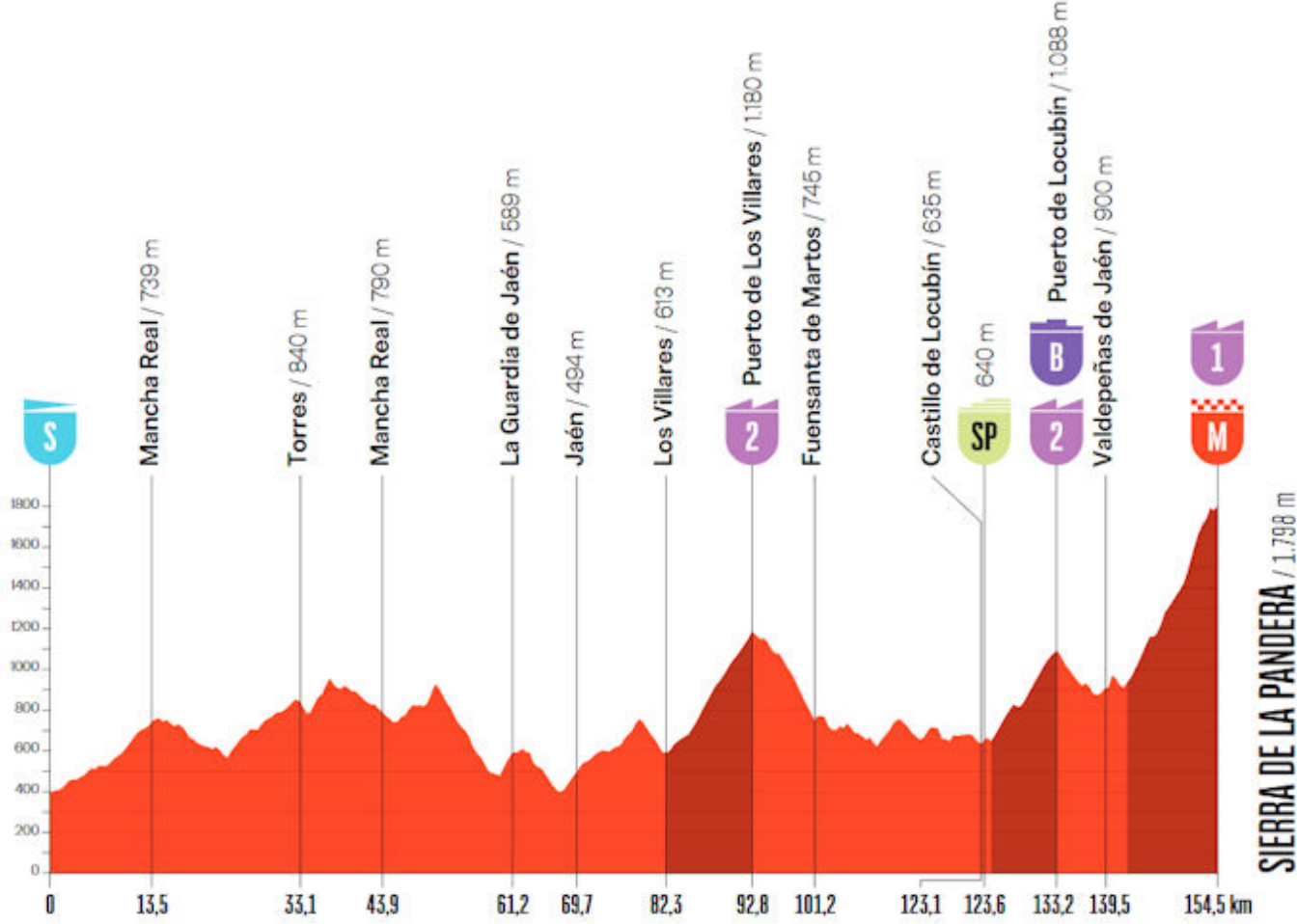


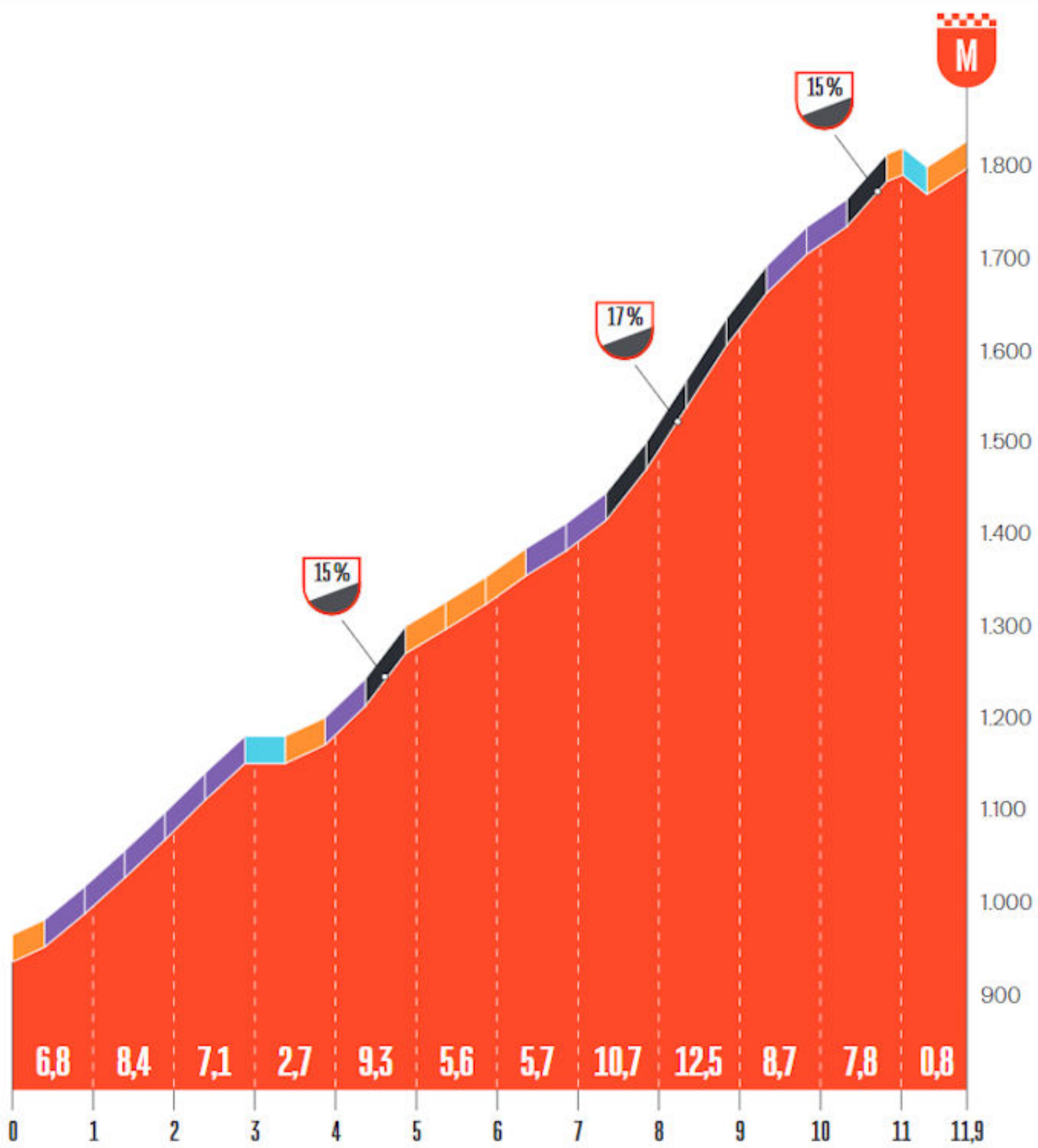
Rocket City Gal Muhlburger crashed just 30 km into yesterday's stage. He sprained his AC joint (shoulder) and also has a "mild" concussion.

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Rocket City Gal UAE hasn't detailed the reason for Sivakov's exit, although reports are that he was just out of gas after the grueling week with heavy efforts to produce results in the high heat the region has been experiencing.

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Rocket City Gal Sentjens had heat-related issues, and Busatto had lingering issues from a stage 8 crash (the sprint finale where multiple riders went down right before the finish, including his teammate Groves).

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Tim in KY Another huge "break" including two at 11 minutes. Also several from yesterday's break. I expect Movi won't mind another rolling rest day for the GC. Supposed to be 104F tomorrow.

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Rocket City Gal Currently 45 guys in the "front peloton" -- PCS says they're 3ish minutes ahead of the rest and doesn't mention the 11 minute guys.

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Rocket City Gal Best placed in this group is Cristian Rodriguez of Astana (11:10), followed by G Martin (22:08). My guess is that the break will be given a long leash today, with the win likely coming from one of the climby guys in the group.

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Tim in KY Clement Berthet (FDJ) is at 11:06.

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Rocket City Gal 18 of the 23 teams have at least one guy in the break.

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Rocket City Gal Ah, didn't see him. Thanks, Tim.

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Rocket City Gal Red Bull and Lidl Trek are notably absent from the break. Also UnoX, NSN and Alpecin.

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Tim in KY Unusual that UnoX missed out.

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Tim in KY Time for more chores.

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Rocket City Gal The soap I made yesterday is too mushy to cut. I hope it sets up eventually. I used two "slow to trace" recipes yesterday so I could try some more complex patterns. The first one started setting up too

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quickly because I forgot to check the characteristics of the fragrance oil that was added -- and of course it was one that causes the soap to set up too quickly. So I just tried to get it in the mold the best I could as it was getting increasingly less fluid and crossed my fingers.



Rocket City Gal The second one was better behaved and I doubt I got quite the look I was going for but it was a decent try.

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Rocket City Gal There was a near-miss at the Tour of Britain yesterday about a km from the finish line as riders were closing in (I think the front group had passed and this was a chasing group) -- a lady decided to amble across the road while pulling a cart, and she just got across before dozens of guys came whizzing by at 70 kph.

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Rocket City Gal <https://www.facebook.com/reel/1829728348398342>

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Charlie in Tenn Ah, sweet old girl. She knew she had plenty of time.

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Charlie in Tenn Often it is the person following the first one that has real problems.

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Rocket City Gal And here is a little more about Ezra Caudell, who was severely injured in a crash at the Philadelphia Cycling Classic last weekend. <https://www.cyclingweekly.com/news/ezra-caudell-remains-in-intensive-care-with-head-and-lung-trauma-after-philadelphia-crash-faces-lengthy-recovery>

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Rocket City Gal A Go Fund Me has been set up for him and his family. They had just relocated to Germany to help support his cycling career (he is a Georgia native).

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Charlie in Tenn At my volunteer job we are searching for good used mattresses and box springs. I put a FB post out and got a couple. We have called a bunch of furniture stores, asking them to remind their clients that we collect old furniture and mattresses/boxes. We have one company that bring this old stuff straight to our shop and place it in our box truck, which is normally empty and open.

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Charlie in Tenn The challenge is getting good used stuff vs. any old junk people are trying to get rid of.

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Katie S Good morning, all. Important work, Charlie.

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Rocket City Gal After bedbugs started being an issue, most thrift stores stopped accepting donations of mattresses and box springs. We had one that we wanted to upgrade to something firmer -- it was in good shape even though it was older. We advertised on a local "everything's free" page because I hate waste... we found a good taker for it. My suggestion would be to post on local social media groups if it is allowed, and specify that you want items that are in good shape / not stained etc.

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Rocket City Gal The mattress store that delivered the new one was just going to haul the old one to the dump. We looked around for a taker ahead of time to make it a win-win situation. Most folks don't know the mattress companies almost always just take them to the landfill.

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Rocket City Gal The massive break has a lead of 3:35 now. Most of the next 25 km or so are uphill, to the top of the cat 2 climb.

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Katie S Such arid landscape

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Charlie in Tenn We do, however, that does not always turn out to be what we are offered. It is just a reality of the business. Also, we are scared to death of bed bugs so any questionable things are not picked up. Any that arrive at the storehouse get left outside for a few days.

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Charlie in Tenn Looks like another relatively easy day for the break.

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Katie S Uh huh

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Katie S Just too hot. 104 tomorrow? That's nuts.

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Charlie in Tenn I want to discuss Decathlon's strategy. Do they have one? Movi sent riders ahead 2 days ago and had them help Mas 2 times. Decathlon let their riders stay at the front until the die was cast. I hope they have read or watched some of the commentary.

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Katie S minds me of the Palm Springs stage of the Tour of California with multiple days over 100, and I think one hit 120, or threatened too.

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Charlie in Tenn I guess the GC guys could have a fight on the last mountain. Crapass will probably attack. Maybe someone else will go.

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Katie S Oh, 120 on some race gizmos. The next year, the same stage hit 114. That's just unhealthy.

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Charlie in Tenn I was in Tucson one summer and it was 112. I did not like it. So I change my mind on today being relatively easy. It is hard no matter what.

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Katie S I just noticed the coffins jersey. Brown to match the terrain?

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Tim in KY Got the corn chowder melding for tonight.

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Tim in KY I should turn on Peacock.

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Katie S Lordy. I didn't notice the autocorrect changed Cofidis to coffin

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Tim in KY I thought Cofidis was red and yellow.

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Katie S Huh. I'll look again

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Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1788615706-cofidis-2026-n2.png>

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Charlie in Tenn I wondered what a coffin jersey was.

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Tim in KY How is the weather in SLC Katie?

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Katie S 71 now. 91 is the expected high

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Charlie in Tenn I have to run out for a bit. Drink plenty of water while I am gone.

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Katie S We're going to go for a hike up in the canyon shortly. 35 minutes drive up the mountain from here, in Brighton, it's 54

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Tim in KY We had a thunder storm this morning. We needed the rain but eliminated walking to the farmers market.

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Tim in KY The CA family is flying here from LAX today for the funeral tomorrow.

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Katie S We're supposed to have a bit of rain tomorrow afternoon

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Trish in MA Greetings from the airport. Waiting for our flight to Edmonton via Montreal to board. We packed for much different weather than Spain. The Rockies will be much much cooler

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Katie S It'll be good to see your family and be together for this, Tim.

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09:48:21 am



Katie S Hi Trish! You'll have to treat us to a picture from the Canadian Rockies. Never been there.

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09:49:14 am



Trish in MA Me neither. Just hope it doesn't rain the whole time

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Rocket City Gal Birthday lunch with hubby and stepdaughters today—so I don't have to make breakfast today.

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Alaska Dave Good morning from 42 degree northern rainforest. I'm heading to SLC for conference on Tuesday. Enjoying the last sunny day in our forecast today. Canadian Rockies are breathtaking.

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Rocket City Gal The "dragon's blood@ soap set up enough to cut.

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Tim in KY Why is one end always ragged?

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Alaska Dave Jasper and Yellowstone remain my two favorite national parks.

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Rocket City Gal We spent a week and a half exploring the Canadian Rockies. It was awesome. There are some breathtaking hikes. Our most ambitious was at Lake Louise— Little Beehive and Big Beehive, two "tea houses" and more. It was epic.

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Rocket City Gal We started in Calgary, worked our way north to Jasper but didn't get as far as planned because of wildfires. There were 3 epic day hikes and a lot of shorter ones.

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Alaska Dave Athabaskan Falls and a neighboring mountain lake with a hanging glacier remain highlights of my travels. We camped next to campsites closed due to elk mating.

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Rocket City Gal I think I read that Carapaz has won on the final climb here before. But he didn't make it into the break, so.....

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Katie S Uphill crash

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Katie S More like a tumble

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Tim in KY Oliver Peace (PicnicPost) has abandoned.

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Rocket City Gal Crash near the back Of the peloton.... Going uphill 🤔

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Alaska Dave In bear related news, I went to clean out a bear proof trash can (actually a sharps disposal painted red large container). It turns out a bear tried to empty it first. Bear was unsuccessful but pushed the front panel in so far the door was totally jammed. Now it's human proof and bear proof.

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Trish in MA We're traveling by train from Jasper to Quisnel then Whistler ending in Vancouver

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Tim in KY Currently slower than the slowest...

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Trish in MA And boarding has started. Enjoy the day

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10:04:16 am



Katie S You too. And we are headed out to go find some hiking. I will try to check in as the race progresses before we get on the trail.

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Rocket City Gal I was confused my the Movi rider in the national champion jersey.... Looked like Columbia but that's Bernal and I knew he's not Movi and not in the Vuelta. It's Venezuela — because of the arc of stars in the middle. The colors are the same and in the same order as the Colombian flag. Hence the rider is Aular. I didn't really see the arc of small stars well because I'm not wearing my glasses and one eye is still sub-par.

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Rocket City Gal So there's your flag trivia of the day.

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SFinAus Good morning. I see Vermaerke has taken a solo shot off the front and has almost a minute.

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Tim in KY That's going to be a long 45 km.

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Toulouse Dave's bear stories . . . the local paper reported last week that a bear broke through two doors to get into a house, got into the kitchen, turned on the electric stove, broke apart a wooden dish rack onto the stove and started a fire all while the owners were home (maybe sleeping). The bear was euthanized because there was no other way for first responders to get to the fire.

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Tim in KY Bad bad bear.

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Toulouse The editor described area bears as "hangry." It has been so, so dry here there is very little for them to eat, so they've been coming into town in much larger numbers than usual.

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Toulouse Here, not there.

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10:28:49 am



Mikey Good Morning

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10:36:00 am



Tim in KY 1 KU

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10:38:51 am



Tim in KY Maybe he can pull this off but I'm doubtful.

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Mikey Already 91 with 77 dew point heading for 98 today

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Tim in KY Middle of nowhere sprint.

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Mikey Did go for a quick 8:00 walk with Norman at the farmers market but it wasn't shady and headed back home

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Alaska Dave We are having a poor fish run so our bears are getting hangry. Im waiting for an apple tree harvest in my backyard.

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SFinAus Laporte abandons.

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Mikey Iowa plays football today in Iowa City and they have set up cooling stations with free water for the fans Also band wearing alternate uniforms errrr shorts and t-shirts

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Alaska Dave Time to head for breakfast.

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Katie S Just don't be bear breakfast

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10:50:32 am



Tim in KY Looks like Kevin will be caught.

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11:08:25 am



Mikey What will the final gap be? How much time will the leaders take on the final climb?

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Tim in KY The GC group is back 7:00 so they're out for the stage. There are 45 breakers with a shot.

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11:11:12 am



SFinAus I too was doubtful he'd pull it off

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11:11:13 am



SFinAus Great crowd in that town.

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Tim in KY Good to see George finally doing something.

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Mikey Going up

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Charlie in Tenn I am back. Trying to catch up.

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11:14:17 am



Mikey EF has done a pretty darn good job of keping someone in front of the cameras for sponsor visibility

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11:15:08 am



Mikey Still over 7:00

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Rocket City Gal Bol wins the 4th stage of ToB and Wellens takes the lead in GC. Last stage is tomorrow.

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Mikey Skinny leagal bars ???

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11:17:06 am



Mikey Handing out bisons then tossing

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Rocket City Gal Haven't heard much from ol' Georg lately.

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Tim in KY George is currently 6 minutes slower than the slowest.

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Rocket City Gal Lotsa climby guys in the group behind him. Fortunato might like this finish. And many others. Buitrago, Nordhagen, Brenner.....

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Rocket City Gal ... VPP, Bilbao....

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Rocket City Gal Maybe Svested-Bardseng?

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Charlie in Tenn OK, I am caught up. Canadian Rockies are great. We did little hikes because we still have littles. Bears are wonderful, until they are not.

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**Charlie in Tenn** <https://rumbletalk-images->

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11:27:43 am**Charlie in Tenn** Lake Moraine in Banff09-05-2026
11:27:59 am**Charlie in Tenn** That is Sheila, Ceci, me, and Linc.09-05-2026
11:28:39 am**Mikey** Great smiles!09-05-2026
11:28:59 am**Tim in KY** They used to be tiny.09-05-2026
11:30:41 am**Mikey** Didn't we all09-05-2026
11:32:01 am**Tim in KY** Where did that Burgos come from?09-05-2026
11:32:26 am**Charlie in Tenn** A race is formed.09-05-2026
11:33:51 am**Tim in KY** Now everybody and his brother is catching up.09-05-2026
11:34:11 am**Mikey** I really thought the leaders would at least cut the lead in half
Nope09-05-2026
11:36:15 am**Tim in KY** George is now fading fast.09-05-2026
11:36:50 am**Tim in KY** Onley is trying to get back some time in the GC group.09-05-2026
11:38:16 am**BusterSci** Hiya. Temporarily at home while I shake the hospital crud.09-05-2026
11:39:12 am**SFinAus** Hiya Buster09-05-2026
11:39:35 am**Rocket City Gal** Has Burgos ever had a GT win?09-05-2026
11:39:38 am



Mikey Hi Buster Crud?

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11:40:08 am



Mikey Wait... a kinda race just started

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11:40:44 am



SFinAus Commentator just said they've one other but it's been years.

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Rocket City Gal Well, I guess my question is moot....

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Mikey George cooked

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Rocket City Gal Buitrago looking good and leading now.

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Tim in KY Burgos has won GT stages but never a whole GT.

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BusterSci Stage 5 of the 2019 Vuelta

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Mikey Dots getting drenched

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11:42:10 am



John These ejects need to stop touching the riders and their bikes

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11:43:01 am



BusterSci Angel Madrazo. That's the only GT stage win I could find.

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11:43:22 am



BusterSci Yeah. My dad got transferred to a better staffed Fargo hospital and we've been swapping visitation/transporting mom duties. I've got some sort of lurgy that I assume I picked up in the hospital.

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Mikey EF getting some more camera time

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Mikey Dots caught

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BusterSci Cmon Richie

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11:45:26 am



Tim in KY Crapass has delusions of adequacy.

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SFinAus Rog looks comfortable following Mas

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11:46:52 am



SFinAus Heh

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11:47:02 am



Mikey Could be a four person finish

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Mikey 1K steep

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Rocket City Gal Sketchy pavement

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Rocket City Gal Buitrago and Brenner neck-in-neck

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11:51:01 am



Rocket City Gal Brenner wins! 1st GT win

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11:51:19 am



John Their first GT stage win!

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11:51:26 am



Mikey Looked like Brenner said something

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11:51:40 am



Rocket City Gal Then Buitrago, then Cristian Rodriguez

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Mikey just before he went

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11:51:56 am



John Mas with a teammate to help him finish it off. Movistar with good tactics again? It's a bizzaro universe this year

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SFinAus Sure is, John

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11:54:00 am



Rocket City Gal Or he was gurning. He had a lot of mouth grimacing there.

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Mikey Let me by

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11:54:21 am



Mikey Enjoy your day Ba

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SFinAus Rog sheds some time at the end, like ~25s

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SFinAus Gall moves into second by 4s.

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