



Tim in KY VaE Stage 21 is the typical Madrid finish, 45 kilometers of parade with cave and group photos followed by 52 km of racing on the L-shaped circuit in downtown Madrid culminating in a bunch sprint. 09-11-2022 07:19:57 am



Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1662895513-VaE%2021%20Map.jpg> 09-11-2022 07:20:15 am



Tim in KY Kilometer zero is scheduled at 17:26 CEST. Live stream from the start. Finish is imagined either side of 20:00. Forecast is for Sunny and hot with temps in the low-30s. 09-11-2022 07:21:03 am



RCG In the Ceratizit Challenge (the "Ladies' Vuelta), Balsalmo won the final stage today. Van Vleutin wins the overall, with Persico the winner of the points classification, Brand the QOM winner, and Team SD Worx the top team of the race. 09-11-2022 09:10:58 am



RCG The Grand Prix Cycliste Montreal will be starting a little later. If you haven't changed your Velogames team since Friday's race, there may still be time. I think most of the guys riding this one rode Friday, so if you didn't you still probably have a reasonable team entered. 09-11-2022 09:12:20 am



Charlie in Tenn I switched out all of the losers from Quebec so they will probably podium today. 09-11-2022 09:13:22 am



RCG We're entering a pretty busy Superclasico race. There are races on the 14th (GP of Wallonia), the 15th (Coppa Sabatini), and the 17th (Primus Classic). Then the last one of the month is on the 25th (The Big One, World Cycling Championships in Australia). 09-11-2022 09:14:56 am



RCG So.... Lawson Craddock's application for a visa to race in Worlds has, for some reason, been denied. He's trying to get it worked out. He said he submitted the paperwork a month ago and has no idea why they rejected the application. 09-11-2022 09:16:00 am



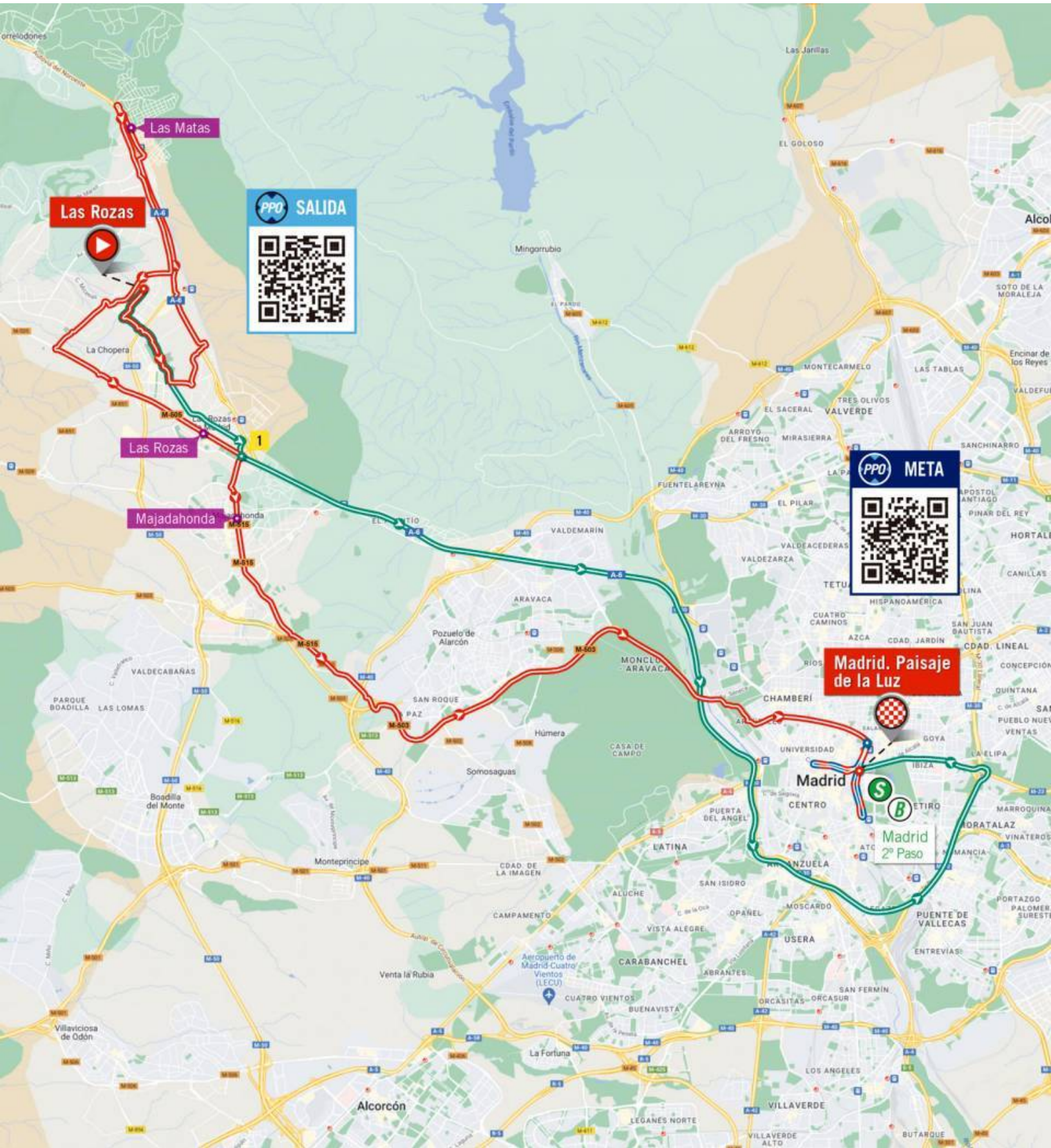
Charlie in Tenn He probably forgot the \$500 cash to be included. 09-11-2022 09:18:09 am



Tim in KY You'd think that riding for an Australian team would carry some weight. 09-11-2022 09:18:53 am



RCG If he finishes today, Ayuso becomes the youngest rider since 1904 to be on a grand tour podium. He will be 20 on Sept. 16th. 09-11-2022 09:20:03 am





Tim in KY PCS has an interesting chart today showing how many riders each team has left. None have all eight. Two teams have only three.

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Tim in KY I left my team the same for Montreal for the very reason Charlie mentioned.

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RCG All this year when I've scrolled through the rider lists I see Cosnefroy's name... earlier this season, he was on several of my teams. Lately, I think for a microsecond and just scroll on by...

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09:28:12 am



RCG and then he actually wins something.

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09:28:26 am



RCG Intermarche-Wanty is using a SmartCar instead of a bus now.

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09:28:49 am



RCG I'm off to make biscuits on this rainy, dreary morning. Back later.

09-11-2022
09:31:10 am



Tim in KY Here it's just dreary.

09-11-2022
09:32:02 am



Mikey Morning Tim

09-11-2022
09:52:10 am



Mikey nice easy 1 inch and a half of rain here

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Tim in KY We had rain Friday and Saturday.

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Mikey Rained steady from about 8pm. Still on tap but we need it

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Tim in KY We had a very dry June and July but August was very wet and the first days of September.

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RCG Tried watching the end of the Ceratizit race, but the picture was horrible. Just too much jerking.

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10:42:19 am



Tim in KY Neutral start was supposed to be at 17:10 but it hasn't happened yet.

09-11-2022
11:14:46 am



Tim in KY Now.

09-11-2022
11:15:25 am



Tim in KY The sound on Peacock is not right on my iPad.

09-11-2022
11:27:07 am



Katie S Good morning. I am out doing various activities and hope to be back with you for the finish.

09-11-2022
11:31:35 am



Alaska Dave Good morning. Is it parade mode or neutral mode.

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11:31:52 am



RCG Biscuits were good. ^ Some chores done. ^ The Montreal race is on GCN and the Buelta coverage has started.

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11:32:14 am



Tim in KY Hard to tell the difference but this is neutral.

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11:32:32 am



RCG Why does my iPhone always "correct" it to Buelta? ???

09-11-2022
11:32:45 am



Alaska Dave No bueno

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11:33:38 am



RCG :D

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11:35:12 am



Tim in KY There's a Costco in Spain?!

09-11-2022
11:35:35 am



RCG Instead of buttermilk, I make our biscuits with kefir made from kefir curds/culture.

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RCG I've had the same kefir "grains" or whatever you call them for years. ^ Add milk and the Kerrie grains ferment the milk, and you end up with a lactose-free, slightly sour, slightly thick, slightly fuzzy buttermilk-like product.

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11:38:38 am



Tim in KY I've never heard of that before.

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11:40:32 am



RCG It's interesting stuff. ^ It keeps better than buttermilk, so there's less waste if I use the kefir grains to make just what I'm going to use. ^ The curd-looking stuff is an aggregate of probiotic bacteria and yeast in a matrix of

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polysaccharides or something. The grains actually enlarge and divide, sort of a self-propagating culture.



RCG Valverde. The end of a great career after an upcoming race in Italy. He's been on the Movistar team since 2005.

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Trish in MA Morning, all. My empanadas are assembled and only need baking. I used last night's grilled salmon with a Spanish garlic/bread/almond/olive oil sauce as the filling. And when I ran out of that I used left over corn pudding with some chopped pickled peppers. Spanish cheese is out and getting to room temp., and I make try making a spicy hard-boiled egg.

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11:55:05 am



Tim in KY Photo Op time in Spain.

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12:12:31 pm



Tim in KY Now cava time.

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12:13:42 pm



Trish in MA DQSA having a tough time riding no hands as a team. And here comes the champagne

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12:14:22 pm



Trish in MA Remco not even taking part in the champagne ritual

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12:15:03 pm



Tim in KY Not champagne in Spain.

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12:15:11 pm



Trish in MA True.

09-11-2022
12:15:49 pm



Tim in KY They finally get to Madrid with 62 km to go.

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12:17:38 pm



Trish in MA Man, my brain is going. I had to look up the Spanish name for sparkling wine. I've drunk enough cava you think I'd remember. Maybe that's why I don't.

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12:21:39 pm



Rob Well I am going to head off and open a beer and enjoy the sunshine in the UK. Good to see everybody again (even if I didn't follow it closely). Thanks to you for doing the pub, it really is the only thing I follow in cycling these days. Hopefully I will see you all shortly for the worlds if I remember, if not next year for the Giro. Enjoy the rest of the stage.



Tim in KY The Giro, Rob.

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12:29:22 pm



Tim in KY UAE won the Teams competition by an hour over Ineos.

09-11-2022
12:36:28 pm



Tim in KY Meandering in Madrid now.

09-11-2022
12:48:35 pm



Trish in MA On Google maps, they mention some game as affecting traffic.
Â Not the Vuelta.

09-11-2022
12:49:31 pm



SFinAus Hola Nuts Sorry to have ghosted you all but like so many riders I was a DNF in this Vuelta due to a case of "The Covid" as Roll would say. Thank goodness and science for the vax and boosters. I'm much better and basically just tired now, but my race following has been way out of whack. Thanks for keeping the fun rolling every day.

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Trish in MA Sean, glad to hear you're on the road to recovery.

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12:54:32 pm



RCG Sean -- Roll says "The COVIDs" (plural).Â Sorry you had The COVIDs, and I hope you feel better soon.

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RCG My sister in law (vaxxed) was tired for about a week.Â Her unvaxxed husband felt unwell for weeks afterwards.

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RCG The main symptom for both at the start was the worst sore throat ever, lasting several days.

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Trish in MA Nice. Â Letting Valverde lead the peloton in.

09-11-2022
12:57:07 pm



Tim in KY The tight turns on this circuit always give me The Fear.

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12:59:06 pm



Trish in MA Valverde has no trouble riding no hands, unlike the QS team.

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01:00:08 pm



Tim in KY The second time they cross the finish line is a time bonus sprint.

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01:00:19 pm



Tim in KY Crap more commercials.

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01:01:01 pm



Mikey CNBC just started

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01:01:20 pm



Trish in MA I shall now turn on my TV and get ahead of all of you.

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01:01:32 pm



Trish in MA And here one the attacks.

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01:06:05 pm



Trish in MA come

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01:06:14 pm



SFinAus Thanks for the good wishes (and Bobke correction). Actually heading out for an excursion today. So itâ€™s a good day.

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01:09:00 pm



Mikey crash bisons everywhere

09-11-2022
01:14:06 pm



Mikey Craddock

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01:14:55 pm



Trish in MA I just fell asleep.

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01:15:13 pm



Mikey Too much food Trish

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01:19:50 pm



Trish in MA Nah, haven't eaten yet. Â I was reading the PCS feed. Â Next thing I know, bottles everywhere!

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01:24:19 pm



Trish in MA I think we're going to go see the Vuelta in Barcelona next year. Â But I keep seeing two different start dates, which makes planning difficult.

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01:27:21 pm



Tim in KY Looks like August 19, Trish. That's a Saturday. The other date I saw was a Wednesday which would never happen.

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01:40:23 pm



Trish in MA Thanks, Tim. Â I never thought to check the days of the week. Â (Gives self dope slap.)

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01:53:08 pm



Tim in KY They are to finish slower than the slowest. But not by much.

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01:59:00 pm



Mikey The wif just informed me that I'm taking her out for lunch! Hope to see the pub open again soon.

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Mikey Timing is everything

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Trish in MA <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1662919626-1662919326412.jpeg>

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Trish in MA Our lunch

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02:02:19 pm



Mikey Oh my... yum yum

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Mikey Makes me thing of perogi

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Mikey thiunk

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Mikey err thnk

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Mikey err think

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Trish in MA Will the break make it?

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Trish in MA Nah. Â Grupo compacto

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02:06:35 pm



RCG Yum, Trish!

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Trish in MA Here they fcome

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02:07:08 pm





Trish in MA Wow

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02:07:20 pm



Mikey Bah til next time

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02:07:47 pm



Trish in MA At the line! Ackerman

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02:08:07 pm



Trish in MA Nope, Not Ackerman, Â Milano

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02:09:30 pm



Alaska Dave Safe adventures until the Giro.

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02:10:37 pm



Tim in KY It's pretty strange when the lead-out man wins.

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Trish in MA Thanks, Tim et al. Â See you at the Giro.

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RCG Molano 1st, Pedersen 2nd, Ackerman 3rd

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RCG Good Vuelta, all! Be safe, and have fun!

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