**Tim in KY** TdF Stage 2 is 209 kilometers from Lauwin-Planque west through the Pas de Calais to the Channel coast and north to the finish in Boulogne-sur-Mer.

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**Tim in KY** The profile looks a bit like a little spring classic both in length and lumpiness. There are three steep categorized climbs in the last 30 kilometers the last of which crests just 5 km from the finish. The last kilometer is also uphill.

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Tim in KY Kilometer zero is scheduled for 12:35 CEST after another long neutral start. Finish is imagined either side of 17:30. Forecast is for rain at the start becoming sunny as the road goes west. Temps in the upper teens.

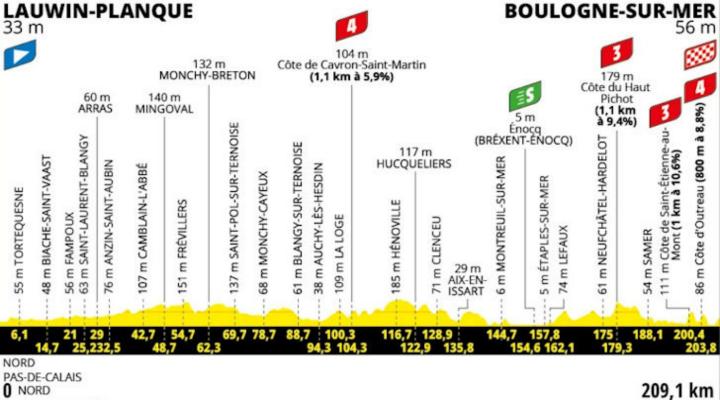
Rocket City Gal Ganna pulled out of the race on stage 1 because although he was initially cleared to continue to ride, he developed concussion symptoms. He looked to have whacked his back pretty hard also. Haven't heard about Bissegger but he also hit the deck hard and may have had the same sort of issue, or maybe neck issues/neck pain. Nys (who some pegged as someone Stage 2 suits well) went down with Bissegger and was not feeling too great afterwards. O'Connor and van den Berg crashed heavily near the end of the stage — I am amazed that Philipsen was able to dodge the bike that was coming at him and avoided being involved also.

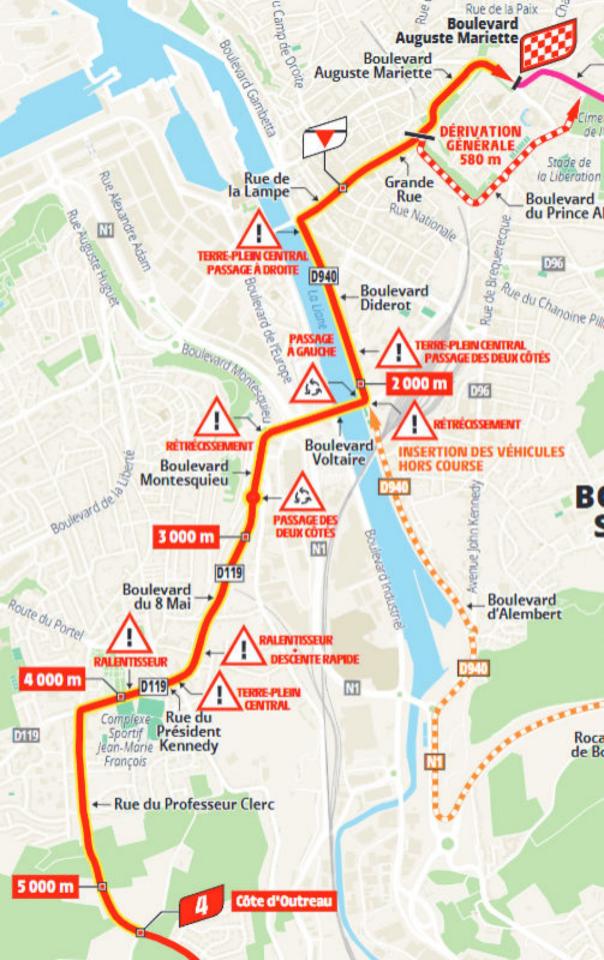


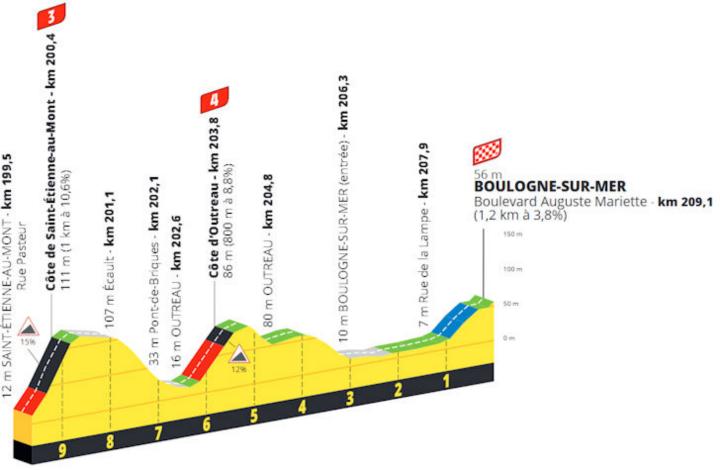
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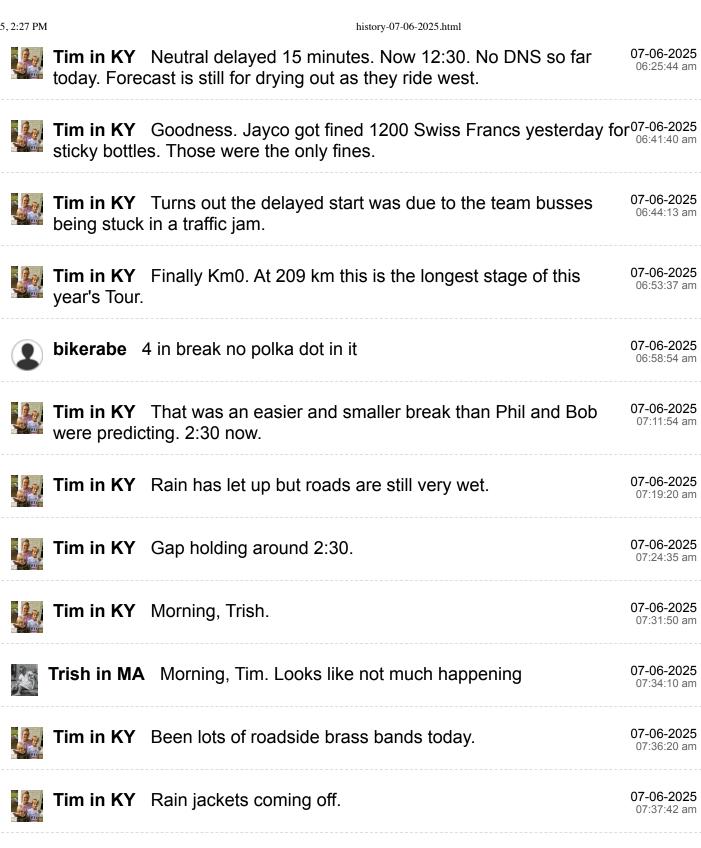
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Tim in KY Crash in the four man breakaway. Got to be a TdF record -- 07-06-2025

Trish in MA I confess to napping or rather dozing off between finding

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crash in the breakaway two days in a row.

words in today's Spelling Bee

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Tim in KY I don't do the Spelling Bee. I can barely spell my name.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 07:57:54 am
<b>BusterSci</b> Spelling bee was hard today. Wordle, Connections, and Strands were about as easy as I've ever seen	<b>07-06-2025</b> 07:59:55 am
<b>Trish in MA</b> I need lots of help. I use the hints a lot. I got Wordle in 3, and, yes, Connections and Strands and the Mini were easy	<b>07-06-2025</b> 08:01:08 am
Tim in KY A bit crosswindy right now.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 08:11:05 am
Tim in KY Sunshine!	<b>07-06-2025</b> 08:20:54 am
<b>bikerabe</b> in other racing Giro Donne stage 1 14.2 km ITT won by Marlen Reusser	<b>07-06-2025</b> 08:28:20 am
<b>Tim in KY</b> Now sunshine and dry roads. not even half way through now.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 08:35:38 am
Tim in KY Currently the break is 9:00 slower than the slowest	<b>07-06-2025</b> 08:40:48 am
Tim in KY Feed zone.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 08:42:08 am
Tim in KY Where are you today, Charlie?	<b>07-06-2025</b> 08:43:07 am
Charlie in Tenn Good morning from Cincinnati.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 08:43:08 am
Tim in KY Headed down I-75 to home today?	<b>07-06-2025</b> 08:43:31 am
Tim in KY Cross-headwind right now.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 08:44:36 am
Charlie in Tenn Yesterday was a long drive. Today we drive another 4 hours to Hopkinsville to visit Mom. We will drive right past you but no meet-up today.	+07-06-2025 08:45:52 am

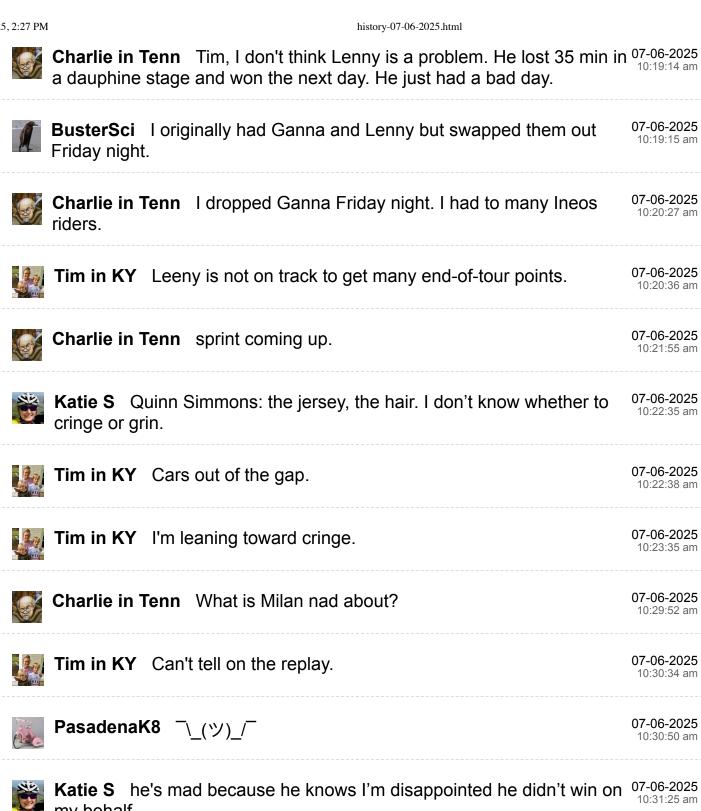
Carlene in NH So Trish and I are trying to figure out who is wearing the bright green jersey. Visma?	<b>07-06-2025</b> 08:47:47 am
Charlie in Tenn Then Wednesday we drive back across KY to get to Charleston WV. Another 7 hour drive and again we will go right past you	<b>07-06-2025</b> 08:47:57 am
Tim in KY Gracious. How many miles will you have put on the car by the time you get home?	<b>07-06-2025</b> 08:50:45 am
Tim in KY I don't see a bright green.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 08:52:30 am
<b>Trish in MA</b> We're watching Peacock with the sound off. It's very refreshing. The bright green jerseys have disappeared from the front of the peleton	<b>07-06-2025</b> 08:53:18 am
Trish in MA I hate the Whoop commercial	<b>07-06-2025</b> 08:54:04 am
Tim in KY Must have been rain jackets.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 08:54:27 am
Charlie in Tenn Unsure but we are late for our next service. This trip has been a long one in miles and days but my wife has always driven across the US (Washngton - Utah or IL to Utah or TN to Utah) every summer think she realized how big the trip was this time but we are ready to get home	
Trish in MA Too much road furniture in this section	<b>07-06-2025</b> 09:01:09 am
Charlie in Tenn I am tied with Joanna for last place in the fantasy league. Starting the tour off as normal.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 09:09:45 am
Trish in MA I forgot - again - to do my fantasy team.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 09:11:31 am
Trish in MA I forgot - again - to do my fantasy team.  Tim in KY On the first Cat 4.	
	09:11:31 am 07-06-2025

**Tim in KY** They're all short today but the last three are quite steep.

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PasadenaK8 👋 Mornin' ~	<b>07-06-2025</b> 09:26:33 am
Charlie in Tenn Good morning.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 09:27:25 am
Tim in KY Narrow road in this village.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 09:46:01 am
<b>Katie S</b> Good morning! Late night, so I'm late to the start line here.  Gonna ride up through the scroll	<b>07-06-2025</b> 09:56:00 am
Tim in KY Hi, Katie. You missed the exciting downpour.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 09:57:47 am
Tim in KY Now we have boring wind.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 09:58:00 am
Katie S Riveting!	<b>07-06-2025</b> 09:59:23 am
Katie S I had O'Ganna on my team. Sigh	<b>07-06-2025</b> 10:00:46 am
Tim in KY I had O'Ganna, Bissiger and Lenny Martinez.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 10:01:32 am
PasadenaK8 Bingo anyone? https://bingobaker.com/#686a8134277ae723 (Game starts now. No backtracking)	<b>07-06-2025</b> 10:02:03 am
<b>Katie S</b> haven't done Wordle, Connections or Strands yet today. Spelling Bee I don't usually play, but if I do, I tinker with it throughout the workday.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 10:02:42 am
Katie S oh, Tim. I'm sorry!	<b>07-06-2025</b> 10:03:19 am
<b>Tim in KY</b> Accounting for the 15 minute late start, the break is just slightly faster than the imagined time.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 10:07:42 am



my behalf



Charlie in Tenn He did win from that group.

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Tim in KY Yes he did, Charlie. Milan got the most points available after 07-06-2025 the break.

**Tim in KY** So why was he angry?

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Katie S The super slo mo didn't help much	<b>07-06-2025</b> 10:37:25 am
<b>Tim in KY</b> They did bump into each other on the run up but not more than most sprints.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 10:38:46 am
Charlie in Tenn Girmay must have done something early in the sprint.  Or Milan is just frustrated from other stuff and took it out on Girmay.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 10:38:58 am
Rocket City Gal Late to the party but still made it in time for the finish.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 10:41:08 am
Charlie in Tenn Tim, to answer your question about milage on our car for our trip. Approximately, 3546 miles so far with 1017 miles for the rest of the trip for a total of 4553 miles. In addition we had a rental car in Utah whused for 15 days.	10.40.20 am
Rocket City Gal More fireworks were being set off in the neighborhood yesterday. Cats were again pretty freaked out.	07-06-2025 10:48:29 am
Rocket City Gal Flying bison	<b>07-06-2025</b> 10:51:35 am
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**Tim in KY** Lots of pink in that front group.

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Rocket City Gal When I was a young teenager, we had an ambitious loop vacation of several weeks' duration..... Dad told my brother and I to plan it. Bro wasn't interested so I went to the library and started doing research. (Pre-Internet). Dad pulled a pop-up trailer behind the station wagon. Starting in the midwest we went places like the Badlands, Corn Palace, Wall Drug, Mt Rushmore, Yellowstone, The Great Salt lake, Yosemite, saw the giant redwoods in California, visited relatives in Modesto, toured things in San Francisco (fisherman's wharf, Golden Gate Bridge, crookedest road etc), Hoover Dam, Grand Canyon, devil's tower, Crater National Park, petrified forest and more. It was an awesome trip with lots of camping and hiking. If I hadn't seen those things as a kid, I probably never would have had the chance.



**Katie S** Wow, RCG, what a great trip and memory! And what a great gift from your dad to let you plan it.

07-06-2025 11:14:08 am



**Tim in KY** I had two brothers and three sisters. Our camping vacations <sup>07-06-2025</sup>
weren't that ambitious.

**Rocket City Gal** We were tasked with finding the parks we would visit, what we'd do at each, what camping was available and more. It was a different time and it would probably be a lot harder to do something like that nowadays.

07-06-2025 11:15:34 am



**Charlie in Tenn** That sounds like a wonderful experience. That is why we take our kids places.

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**Rocket City Gal** Most of our camping trips were fairly non-ambitious.

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Mikey Hi all Good Morning! Did I miss anything?

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**Rocket City Gal** Since we were involved, it was a lot more meaningful /educational.

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**Tim in KY** Not a thing, Mikey.

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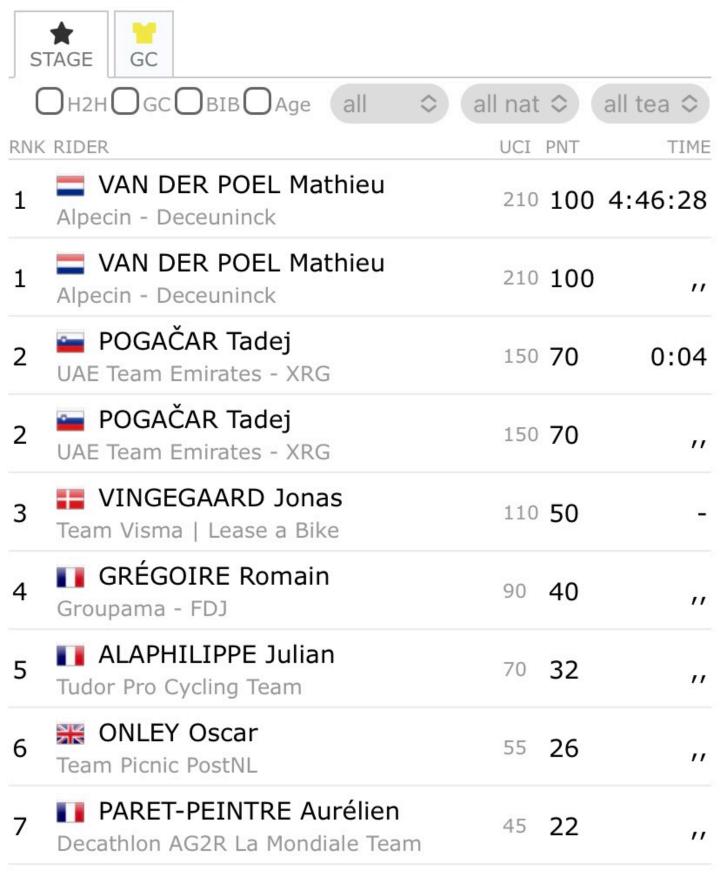
**Rocket City Gal** Mikey, I think there's a bike race going on. It's about to get a lot more interesting.

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Katie S hi Mikey, there were flying some bisons	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:18:31 am
Tim in KY EF seems to think Powless can do this.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:18:57 am
Rocket City Gal More bisons escaping. Must be a bison unloading zone.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:19:06 am
Tim in KY https://rumbletalk-images- upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/175 stage-2-profile-finale.jpg	07-06-2025 11:19:11 am 1815450-
Mikey Sounds like we are a traveling adventuresome bunch	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:20:19 am
Rocket City Gal Wouldn't it be crazy if Pog won today's stage and stayed in yellow until the end of Le Tour? If anyone can do it, he can. By just motoring off the front on the short steep upcoming climbs.	07-06-2025 11:21:47 am
Charlie in Tenn Family, travel, and boardgames is what we spend our time and money on.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:21:55 am
<b>Tim in KY</b> Adjusted for the late start they are almost at the fastest imaginable	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:22:17 am
Roy McKelvey Hi Alllate to the party, and following la tour. Tizcycling stream is not working for me like the past few years. Any tips on free-access streaming? Sorry if I missed this earlier	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:23:28 am
Katie S Glad you're here!	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:24:15 am
Roy McKelvey :D	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:24:54 am
Charlie in Tenn EF gone from the front	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:25:42 am
Mikey Some of the climbers look like ants next to VDP	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:27:49 am



Charlie in Tenn The big names to the front.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:28:18 am
Tim in KY 1, 2, 3 just like last year's podium.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:28:21 am
Rocket City Gal Pog just sitting there waiting for the right time to launch	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:28:37 am
<b>Mikey</b> Is today another 5k day? Are all stages going to be 5k safe zones?	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:29:52 am
Tim in KY Not all stages, Mikey.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:31:40 am
Rocket City Gal I think mostly just the sprint stages.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:32:11 am
Mikey Eeejits	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:32:37 am
Rocket City Gal Idjits with fire and smoke.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:32:49 am
Mikey Wow Rog is in there!	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:36:00 am
Mikey 1K	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:36:57 am
Rocket City Gal Lipowitz out front. For now.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:37:00 am
Tim in KY Remco fading.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:37:28 am
Katie S And not now	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:37:30 am
Rocket City Gal Steeeeeep	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:37:31 am
Rocket City Gal Alaphilippe is in there	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:38:00 am



PasadenaK8 Nice!	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:38:21 am
Rocket City Gal VdP!!	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:38:24 am
Katie S wheeeeeee	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:38:39 am
Tim in KY I'm worn out	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:39:11 am
Rocket City Gal https://rumbletalk-images- upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/175 IMG_6903.jpeg	07-06-2025 11:39:44 am 1816683-
Rocket City Gal VdP in yellow	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:40:41 am
<b>bikerabe</b> so good	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:41:31 am
Mikey I'm outta here Ba	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:42:03 am
Charlie in Tenn Nice finish. OK Charlie in KY will see you tomorrow.	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:42:15 am
Katie S That was fun. Enjoy the day, everyone	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:42:34 am
<b>bikerabe</b> another sprint tomorrow	<b>07-06-2025</b> 11:44:32 am