



**Tim in KY** GdI Stage 1 is a 19.6-kilometer time trial along the Adriatic coast from Fossacesia Marina north to Ortona.

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**Tim in KY** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1683309433-stage-1-route.jpg>

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**Tim in KY** The course is pan-flat except for the final three kilometer which are uphill into the finish town.

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**Tim in KY** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1683309467-stage-1-profile.jpg>

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**Tim in KY** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1683309479-stage-1-profile-finale.jpg>

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**Tim in KY** First rider starts at 13:50 CEST, last rider at 16:48. The imagined time to ride the course is 22 minutes. Live stream from before the start. GCN+ in the US and Europe. Forecast is for cloudy with a chance of rain, especially in the late afternoon. Temps in the upper teens.

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**BusterSci** No idea if I'll be here for the actual race, but did want to point out how disappointed I am that George doesn't have a Farto-BTC team jersey I can pick for Velogames.

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**Charlie in Tenn** Good morning. I have a kids performance to attend today so will only be here for about another hour.

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**Charlie in Tenn** Last minute changes of my team for no good reason.

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**BusterSci** I checked what I could for last minute dropouts but refused to second guess.

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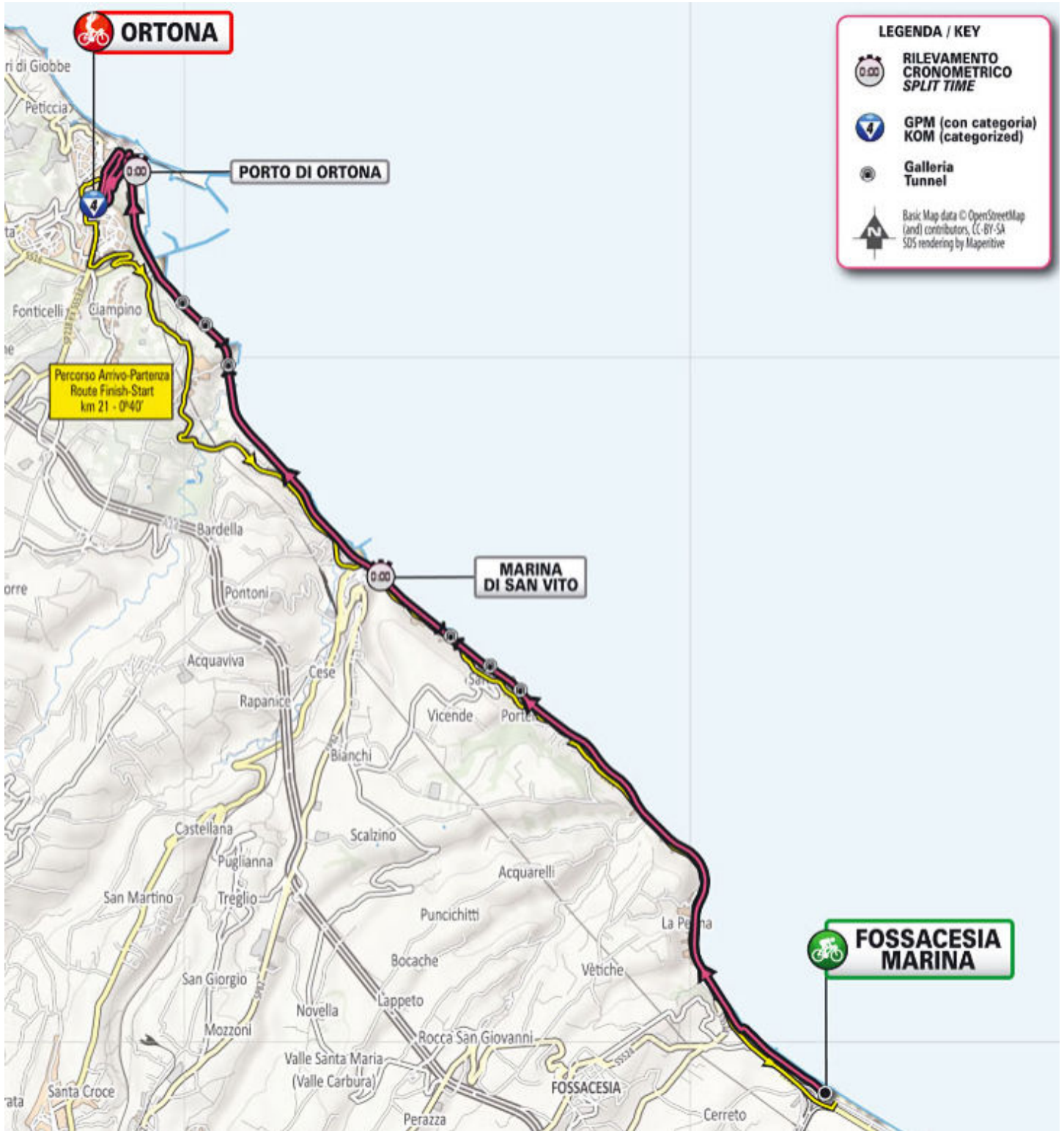
**BusterSci** <https://twitter.com/i/status/1654764733071867907>

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**Tim in KY** Start list has been stable since 11:00 CEST.

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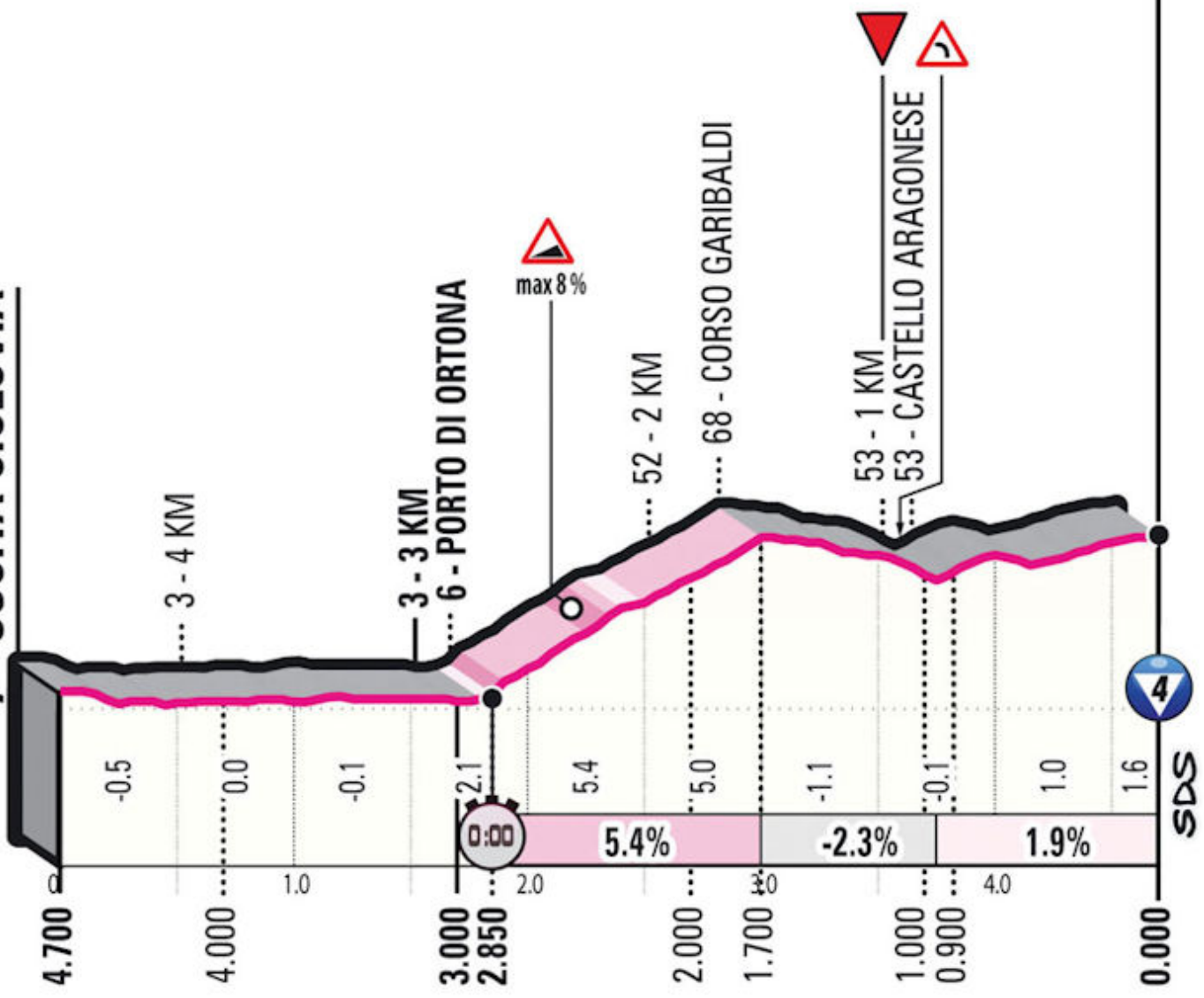
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**Tim in KY** All the Covid drop-outs got me wondering, are these guys not vaccinated?

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07:26:18 am



**Tim in KY** The late afternoon rain chance has diminished slightly since yesterday but Rug and Rem took a risk in choosing to ride late.

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07:28:57 am



**Charlie in Tenn** I hear that they are crowning a new King in GB today. Seems kinda old fashioned.

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07:36:50 am



**Tim in KY** He's already been crowned. It was much less elaborate than his mother's coronation.

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07:39:17 am



**Tim in KY** First rider starts.

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07:51:15 am



**BusterSci** I suspect that the decline of elaborate British coronations will continue into the future. Both the populace and the royals themselves seem to want it that way. They'll keep enough to be regal and traditional and all, but dial down things to be sensitive to cost and a general distaste of ostentatiousness.

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**Charlie in Tenn** Seems reasonable.

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**BusterSci** On the other hand, King Farouk said "The whole world is in revolt. Soon there will be only five Kings left--the King of England, the King of Spades, The King of Clubs, the King of Hearts, and the King of Diamonds"

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**Charlie in Tenn** Looks like 17 teams in our league. Good luck to all. I am interested in seeing how everyone picked.

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**Charlie in Tenn** That Farouk is a real card.

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08:00:55 am



**BusterSci** Your joke is better than his. He should have put the King of England at the end.

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08:01:20 am




**Tim in KY** There are still several EU countries with monarchs as head of state.

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08:02:13 am



**Tim in KY** The current course is a bike path right on the Adriatic.


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08:03:37 am

 **BusterSci** Nine countries with monarchs in Europe, 8 in the Middle East and Africa, 4 in Asia and then Canada. 05-06-2023 08:06:45 am

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 **BusterSci** Belgium, Spain, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Netherlands, Luxembourg, Lichtenstein, Monaco. 05-06-2023 08:07:35 am


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 **Tim in KY** Is the king of England still head of state in Canada? 05-06-2023 08:08:47 am


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 **BusterSci** Yes 05-06-2023 08:09:54 am


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 **BusterSci** Interesting that they don't list New Zealand in my search, or Australia. 05-06-2023 08:11:10 am

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 **BusterSci** Both have Charlie as head of state. Â That's Charlie in Buck, not Charlie in Tenn. 05-06-2023 08:11:47 am


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 **Tim in KY** First rider is on the climb to the finish. 05-06-2023 08:14:41 am

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 **Tim in KY** Hot seat is very unstable. 05-06-2023 08:25:34 am


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 **BusterSci** I'm still 15th overall in Spain Feminina. Â We'll see how Demi, Vos, Evita and Niewiadoma fare today. 05-06-2023 08:27:24 am


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 **Tim in KY** Good luck, Buster. 05-06-2023 08:31:37 am


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 **BusterSci** That's all it is. Â My strategy is pick Demi and then make other things fit. Â Kinda like pick Pog and fit. 05-06-2023 08:32:38 am


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 **BusterSci** I suspect this is an Annemiek day, though. 05-06-2023 08:33:25 am

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 **Katie S** Good morning, Nuts. Butterflies as head of state? I saw a Monarch around here last week. Sorry. Anyway, happy itâ€™s May and the Pub is open. 05-06-2023 08:33:45 am

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 **Tim in KY** Hi, Katie.Â Not much going on here. 05-06-2023 08:34:48 am



**BusterSci** Having a traditional Giro breakfast. Cheese omelet and fried ham. 05-06-2023  
08:39:33 am  
Â OK, added a small piece of focaccia.



**BusterSci** Muzik couldn't hang with Annemiek but Demi is making her move 05-06-2023  
08:42:31 am  
through the chase groups.



**Katie S** Mmmmm. Iâ€™ve been making sourdough focaccia for a couple 05-06-2023  
08:43:19 am  
years now with my sourdough starter. Very easy, very delicious.



**BusterSci** We make pizza weekly in the wood fired oven. Â I make enough 05-06-2023  
08:45:18 am  
dough for 6 pizzas, and freeze half. Â Out of each half we make one pizza and  
the rest goes into a 6 minute focaccia that we eat over the next few days.



**Tim in KY** Hi, Trish. 05-06-2023  
08:46:39 am



**Trish in MA** Good morning, all. Â I have no team. Â No skin in the game, 05-06-2023  
08:47:12 am  
except that I just signed up for GCN+ so that I can watch. Â I'm having  
potatoes and eggs for breakfast. Â Carlene in NH and I were debating via text the merits of a  
parade of cyclists vs. a parade of a bunch of marching guys and one "float" pulling some old  
guy in a cape.



**BusterSci** Vollerling attacks her group and is trying to bridge to group 2. 05-06-2023  
08:47:14 am



**Tim in KY** Dennis phoned it in. 05-06-2023  
08:47:22 am



**Katie S** hi Trish! 05-06-2023  
08:48:23 am



**BusterSci** I think he knows his day is passed. Â He's got other jobs now. 05-06-2023  
08:48:24 am  
Â Which seems to be good for him mentally.



**Mikey** Hey all! Norman walked in the rain and we are good to go 05-06-2023  
08:49:37 am



**Katie S** Mikey! 05-06-2023  
08:50:06 am



**Tim in KY** Chores for a bit. 05-06-2023  
08:50:28 am



**Katie S** what a great bike trail.

05-06-2023  
08:54:26 am



**Trish in MA** And now I'm also going to open up Peacock to watch La Vuelta

05-06-2023  
08:54:30 am



**Trish in MA** I'm waiting for some little kid on a bike with training wheels to suddenly appear on the bike trail. Â Or a couple with a dog. Â or a stroller. Â Or both.

05-06-2023  
08:55:38 am



**BusterSci** Looks like it's Annemiek's race

05-06-2023  
08:55:44 am



**Trish in MA** Annemiek didn't have a very exciting spring.

05-06-2023  
09:04:45 am



**BusterSci** No, but she definitely seems to know how to win the big home race for the sponsor.

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09:05:21 am



**Trish in MA** That she does. Â Looks like today the teams have figured out how to neutralize SD Works

05-06-2023  
09:06:26 am



**BusterSci** There should be enough firepower and interest to close things down some, but perhaps they aren't interested in working together.

05-06-2023  
09:07:40 am



**Tim in KY** Hot seat has been stable for a while now.

05-06-2023  
09:08:01 am



**Trish in MA** Okay, that's just goofy

05-06-2023  
09:12:26 am



**BusterSci** Wazzat?

05-06-2023  
09:12:41 am



**Trish in MA** Just what I want to do. Â Stand on a board with high-pressure jets of water shooting me up into the air.

05-06-2023  
09:13:19 am



**BusterSci** Would have been all over that 40 years ago. Â Not so much today.

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09:13:48 am



**BusterSci** The big chase is cutting into the lead.

05-06-2023  
09:14:05 am





**Trish in MA** And then dive down into the water, come back up, and do it again.

05-06-2023  
09:14:32 am



**BusterSci** Only one chase now.

05-06-2023  
09:15:12 am



**Joanna in Virginia** Good morning all!

05-06-2023  
09:16:42 am



**Trish in MA** Realini reminds me of myself in my 5k race last weekend.   
Â Trying to jus stay with the person in front of her. Â I was unsuccessful. Â Will Realini last?

05-06-2023  
09:16:55 am



**Tim in KY** Hi, Jo. I expected you to be in a barn somewhere on a Saturday.

05-06-2023  
09:17:15 am



**BusterSci** Hey, Jo. Â Long time

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09:17:21 am



**Katie S** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1683379348-1683379048521.jpeg>

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09:17:30 am



**Katie S** Trish â€¦ a human version of this, the dude on the water spout

05-06-2023  
09:18:04 am



**Trish in MA** Katie, that just makes me laugh. I remember the TV commercials.

05-06-2023  
09:18:14 am



**Mikey** Oh my! Love water wiggles!

05-06-2023  
09:18:18 am



**Joanna in Virginia** The barn is crazy busy on Saturdays, so I use it as a "catch up" day at home. Will be showing the next two weekends, though.

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09:18:19 am



**Katie S** hi Jo!

05-06-2023  
09:18:37 am



**Mikey** Do you actually have that Katie?

05-06-2023  
09:18:38 am





**Katie S** alas, no â€¦

05-06-2023  
09:18:50 am



**Trish in MA** No one I knew had one. Â We used to just run water down the driveways to make Slip 'n Slides

05-06-2023  
09:20:04 am



**BusterSci** No, really? Â That sounds like major road rash

05-06-2023  
09:20:49 am



**BusterSci** I would have loved to have a wet driveway. Â When we were kids our Dad would drag us behind the car over gravel roads.

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09:21:24 am



**Trish in MA** Smooth concrete driveways. Â You didn't do headlong dives.

05-06-2023  
09:21:50 am



**Katie S** Oh geez, Trish!

05-06-2023  
09:21:59 am



**Trish in MA** Buster - were you on inner tubes or in a wagon or what?  
Â Holding a rope?

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09:22:33 am



**BusterSci** C'mon, somebody: "Gravel roads? Â Well la de da! We used to slide over sharpened bamboo spikes."

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09:23:25 am



**Katie S** I suspect we all assumed hyperbole, dear Penguin

05-06-2023  
09:24:11 am



**Mikey** Dang Buster you win again. We never sharpened ours too dangerous

05-06-2023  
09:25:08 am



**Trish in MA** Actually, being dragged in a little red wagon over gravel roads might have been fun - kinda like being driven around London in a golden coach. Â I heard that thing has no springs and jars the bones.

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09:25:27 am



**BusterSci** <https://youtu.be/ue7wM0QC5LE?t=7>

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09:25:33 am



**Katie S** Bwahahaha. Somehow I had missed this one!

05-06-2023  
09:27:19 am



**Tim in KY** Mads takes the hot seat.

05-06-2023  
09:28:19 am



**BusterSci** Realini beats Annamiek in the sprint!

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09:28:59 am



**BusterSci** Demi 5th

05-06-2023  
09:29:19 am



**Katie S** Thatâ€™s news! Wowza

05-06-2023  
09:29:21 am



**BusterSci** But Annamiek is the new leader

05-06-2023  
09:29:57 am



**Katie S** of course she is. What a competitor

05-06-2023  
09:30:40 am



**BusterSci** I'm spending a lot of time watching webcams on lakes up north.   
Â Fishing opener in a week and still a lot of ice.   
Â But the temp won't drop below freezing again so I'm guessing the little lakes will clear this weekend and the big ones by midweek.

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09:32:13 am



**Tim in KY** Still an hour until Rem and Rug start.

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09:33:41 am



**BusterSci** 5th, 7th and 8th on the stage.   
Â Should keep me in decent shape

05-06-2023  
09:33:55 am



**BusterSci** Still 70km to go in the Superclassico 6 race.   
Â Another one tomorrow.

05-06-2023  
09:34:55 am



**Tim in KY** I've never heard of two thirds of the riders in the Super race.

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09:36:06 am



**Katie S** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1683380558-1683380258709.jpeg>

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**Katie S** For you, Buster. Sorry about the size,

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09:38:06 am



**BusterSci** DS Dagies sent me that one yesterday

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**TUNDRA** Chad Carpenter



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**BusterSci** He's coming up a week later, so he doesn't have to worry.

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09:38:29 am



**Katie S** Great minds

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09:38:34 am



**BusterSci** I will not tell him you said that.

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09:38:50 am



**Trish in MA** The ice on our pond has been gone for weeks.

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09:39:16 am



**Joanna in Virginia** After an extremely frustrating 15 minutes getting into my cable-provided Peacock account, I see no Giro...

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09:39:49 am



**BusterSci** No, it's not a Peacock race

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09:40:23 am



**BusterSci** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1683380735-Screenshot%202023-05-06%20at%208.40.00%20AM.png>

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**BusterSci** Watching webcams

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09:40:44 am



**Tim in KY** GCN+, Jo.

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09:40:58 am



**Joanna in Virginia** Thanks, Tim!

05-06-2023  
09:41:31 am



**Tim in KY** The Derby favorite has been scratched just now.

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09:41:50 am



**BusterSci** Ah, yes. Â The sport with more dubious medical conditions then cycling.

05-06-2023  
09:43:20 am



**Trish in MA** Hmm. Â Mint juleps may be in my future.

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09:43:38 am



**Katie S** Oh my. I was down at our throw down golf driving range yesterday, owned by a farming family that has learned that dispensing little white balls from a machine is more profitable than fave beans.the owner hollered out from the shack that

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09:45:59 am



her nephew was just saddling up for a filly race at Kentucky Oaks. Botanical didn't end up doing very well, but it was fun to watch with someone who knows someone.

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**BusterSci** McNulty!

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09:47:39 am

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**Tim in KY** I had him on my team until yesterday.

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09:48:00 am

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**Katie S** of course

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09:48:13 am

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**Tim in KY** Mint juleps are a waste of bourbon, Trish.

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09:56:15 am

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**Trish in MA** I'll see if we have any cheap stuff.

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09:58:18 am

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**Trish in MA** Watching The Derby broadcast is such a waste of time. Hours of coverage for what, a two-minute race? I think you need the juleps to just kill the boredom.

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**BusterSci** Jay Vine!

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10:01:54 am

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**Tim in KY** I have given up watching anything but the 2 minute race.

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10:01:55 am

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**BusterSci** I'd tune in for the blood test results

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10:02:57 am

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**Tim in KY** Two seconds.

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10:09:03 am

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**BusterSci** I didn't realize Ruglick started right after Remco. That'll be fun to watch.

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10:09:04 am

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**Mikey** Vine! The Aussie announcers are all over it

05-06-2023  
10:09:32 am

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**Tim in KY** And O'Ganna two minutes later.

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10:09:36 am

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**BusterSci** Kung no slouch in between.

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10:10:07 am



**Tim in KY** I have Kung and O'Ganna on my VG team.

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10:11:06 am



**Mikey** Got rid of Kung at the 23rd hour

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10:11:39 am



**BusterSci** Tao on top

05-06-2023  
10:16:12 am



**BusterSci** Tay-O! Â Tay-ay-ay-o!

05-06-2023  
10:17:13 am



**Mikey** Announcers just said Tao looks good on his skis!

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10:17:14 am



**BusterSci** Jowow looking good

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10:20:10 am



**BusterSci** If anybody is out there, put in your predictions: Â I'm going Remco, O'Ganna, Ruglick.

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10:23:36 am



**Mikey** Ganna ganna o ganna

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10:24:41 am



**BusterSci** banana fanna bo banna

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10:25:03 am



**Mikey** who's going to fee fi first

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10:25:35 am



**Mikey** /

05-06-2023  
10:25:36 am



**Joanna in Virginia** I'm out here, but completely clueless...

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10:27:25 am



**Tim in KY** I had JoWow until yesterdat, too.

05-06-2023  
10:28:03 am



**BusterSci** I kept the Wowster, I do believe

05-06-2023  
10:28:38 am



**Joanna in Virginia** Same, Tim.

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10:28:53 am



**BusterSci** G with the new best

05-06-2023  
10:28:56 am



**BusterSci** At first check

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10:29:04 am



**BusterSci** One of my favorite mid point picks, Parrot Painter, coming to the first check.

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10:29:59 am



**BusterSci** Jowow cuts 10s off Tay-O!

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10:31:29 am



**BusterSci** The monsters are about to start.

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10:33:49 am



**Trish in MA** And they are both on the road

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10:36:13 am



**BusterSci** G lost some time to JoWow at the 2nd check.

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10:37:01 am



**Tim in KY** G didn't do well on the climb.

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10:38:27 am



**BusterSci** Watching the marching jerseys on PCS the gaps look pretty consistent for the big 4.

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10:39:47 am



**Tim in KY** A lot of national champ TT riders in this race.

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10:40:03 am



**Tim in KY** Rem seems to be closing on his minute man.

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10:41:12 am



**Katie S** Phew, back just in time. Went down a work-related rabbit hole.

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10:41:19 am



**BusterSci** Remco a minute or so away from the check

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10:43:25 am



**Trish in MA** Remco first at the check - up 20 secs.

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10:45:17 am



**BusterSci** All riders on the road

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10:45:58 am



**Trish in MA** Ron down 26 secs to Rem at check 1

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10:46:48 am



**BusterSci** That's big

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10:47:05 am



**Trish in MA** King down 22

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10:47:43 am



**Trish in MA** Kung

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10:47:50 am



**Trish in MA** O'Ganna down 12

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10:48:33 am



**BusterSci** Now the only question is did Remco go out too fast?

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10:49:05 am



**Mikey** No Making a statement

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10:50:24 am



**Trish in MA** Rem about to catch his minute man

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10:50:44 am



**Trish in MA** Rem eating up the road

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10:52:45 am



**Katie S** Chomp chomp

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10:53:43 am



**BusterSci** Nom nom nom

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10:53:52 am



**Joanna in Virginia** Zoom zoom!

05-06-2023  
10:54:07 am



**Trish in MA** Ron down 42 secs at start of the climb

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10:54:12 am



**Trish in MA** Rog

05-06-2023  
10:54:18 am



**BusterSci** Just stick with Ron

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10:54:26 am



**Katie S** Ron Glitch

05-06-2023  
10:54:44 am



**Mikey** Ron running big stinking gear

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10:54:50 am



**Joanna in Virginia** :D Katie

05-06-2023  
10:55:06 am



**Trish in MA** Ganna down 15 at start of time

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10:55:47 am



**Trish in MA** cliimb

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10:55:50 am



**Joanna in Virginia** Glad I put Ronco on my team.

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10:56:11 am



**Joanna in Virginia** "Ronco" was intentional, BTW.

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10:56:26 am



**Tim in KY** Yeah, Jo, that's the one good change I made yesterday.

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10:56:53 am



**Trish in MA** So who do we anoint Jinsu?

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10:57:11 am



**BusterSci** Tim has called him the Pocket Fisherman since the beginning.  
Â So Ronco just fits right in.

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10:57:13 am



**Joanna in Virginia** Is your name no "Ron"? LOL!

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10:57:33 am



**Joanna in Virginia** Thinking of, and missing, Mons.

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10:58:59 am



**BusterSci** Slice tomatoes so thin your in-laws will never come back. Â I pulled Ginsu knives for an extemporaneous speaking competition. I went with "Slice your in-laws so thin they'll never come back."

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**Joanna in Virginia** Well, not in one piece, anyway.

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11:00:00 am



**Trish in MA** Ganna in second down 22

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11:00:03 am



**BusterSci** Ok, so I missed JoWow having such a good day. Â 43 seconds is a long haul for Rog. Â That's the kind of deficit that will have him falling off his bike.

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11:00:56 am



**Mikey** Wow Buster nice dredging

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11:01:24 am



**Tim in KY** 1,2,6,10 for my VG guys.

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11:04:13 am



**Joanna in Virginia** Wow, Tim - that's great!

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11:04:40 am



**Mikey** Nice Tim

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11:04:41 am



**BusterSci** I'm trying to check but I think the server crashed

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11:05:30 am



**BusterSci** I have 123 but not sure after

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11:05:49 am



**Trish in MA** I want the spiral slicer. Â I'm sure my guests will be mightily impressed when I present them with a roast surrounded by a ring of raw potatoes.

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11:06:04 am



**Tim in KY** Got 1 in the Superclassico, too.

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11:06:07 am



**Tim in KY** Off to real life now.

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11:07:36 am

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**BusterSci** 1 and 6 in SUpEr

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11:07:39 am

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**Trish in MA** Me too. Â See you tomorrow.

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11:08:09 am

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**Mikey Ba**

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11:08:22 am

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**BusterSci** 1-2-3 and 14 in Giro

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11:08:37 am

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