



**Tim in KY** VaE Stage 5 is 187 kilometers from Morella, in inland Valencia, south to Burriana on the coast. The start town is a more than two-hour bus ride from the finish of stage 4, the first of several long transfers during this Vuelta.

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**Tim in KY** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693331477-stage-5-route.jpg>

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**Tim in KY** The start town is at 1,000 meters of elevation, the finish is at sea level. But that over all descent includes several significant climbs, only one of which is categorized. The Cat 2 Collado de la Ibola is officially 11.4 kilometers at 4% but the climbing actually starts 9 km earlier. And the 4% includes a section of negative gradient halfway up. The climb crests 53 km before the finish.

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**Tim in KY** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693331523-stage-5-profile.jpg>

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**Tim in KY** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693331533-stage-5-route-finish.jpg>

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**Tim in KY** Kilometer zero is scheduled for 13:11 CEST. Finish is imagined either side of 17:30. Forecast is for sunshine with temps in the low-20s inland, upper-20s nearer the coast.

08-29-2023  
01:48:12 pm



**Tim in KY** Bryan Coquard (Cofidis), Kobe Goossens (Intermarché-Circus-Wanty) and Ruben Guerreiro (Movistar) were all in the crash outside the 3km banner on stage 4 but eventually the race. They DNS today.

08-30-2023  
06:59:54 am



**Tim in KY** Currently in neutral.

08-30-2023  
07:00:15 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Good morning.

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07:04:31 am



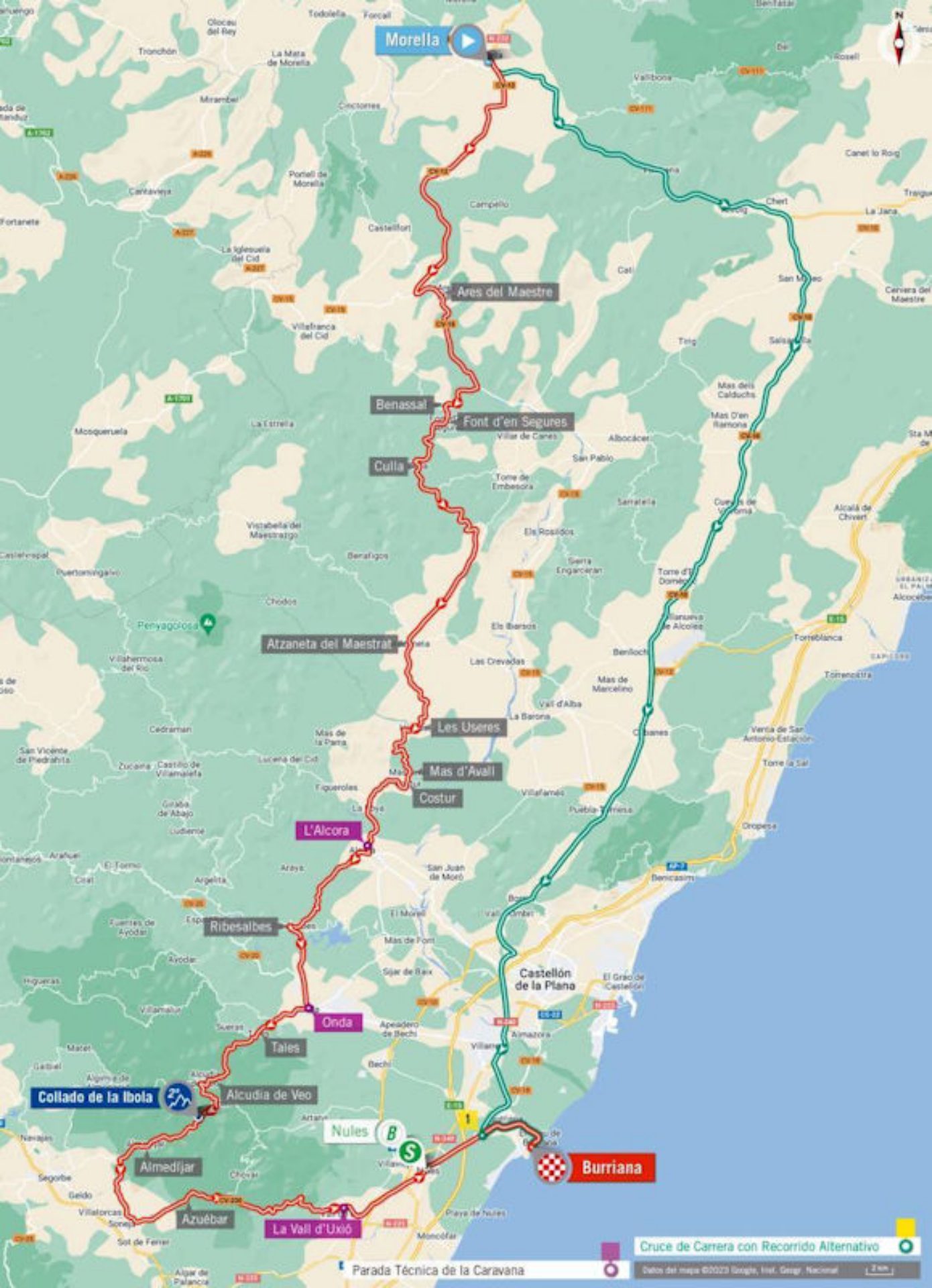
**Charlie in Tenn** Eddie Dunbar has crashed already this morning.

08-30-2023  
07:08:13 am



**Charlie in Tenn** He is not having a good race.

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07:08:28 am

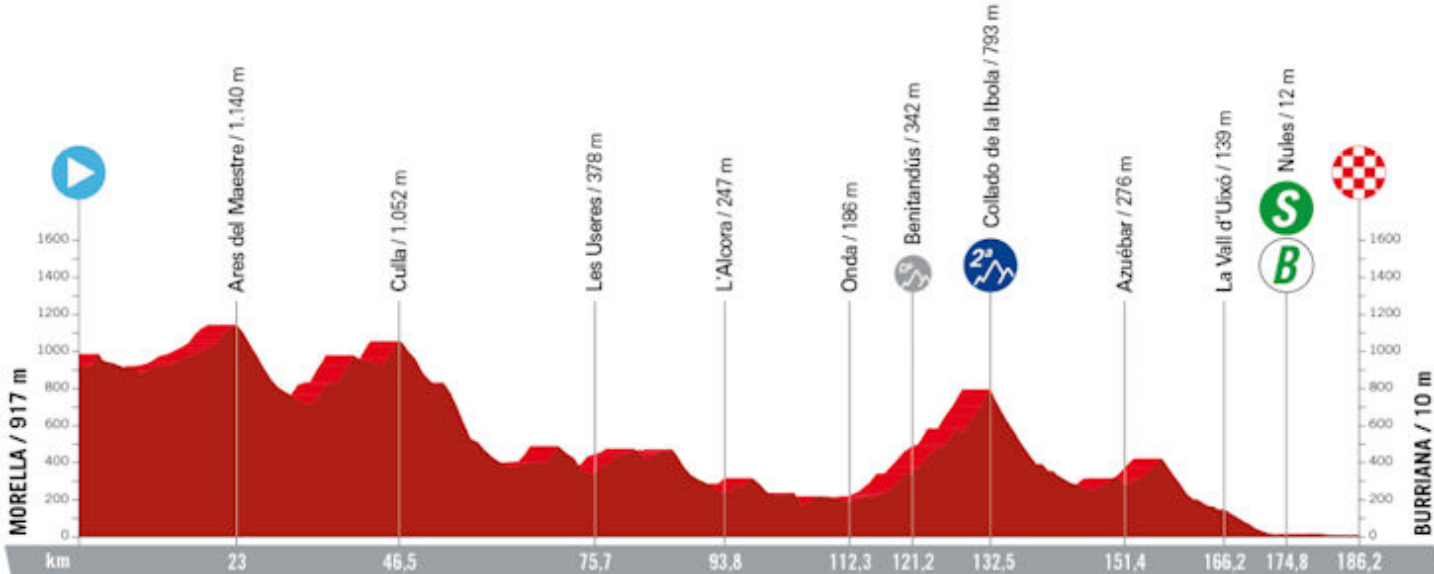


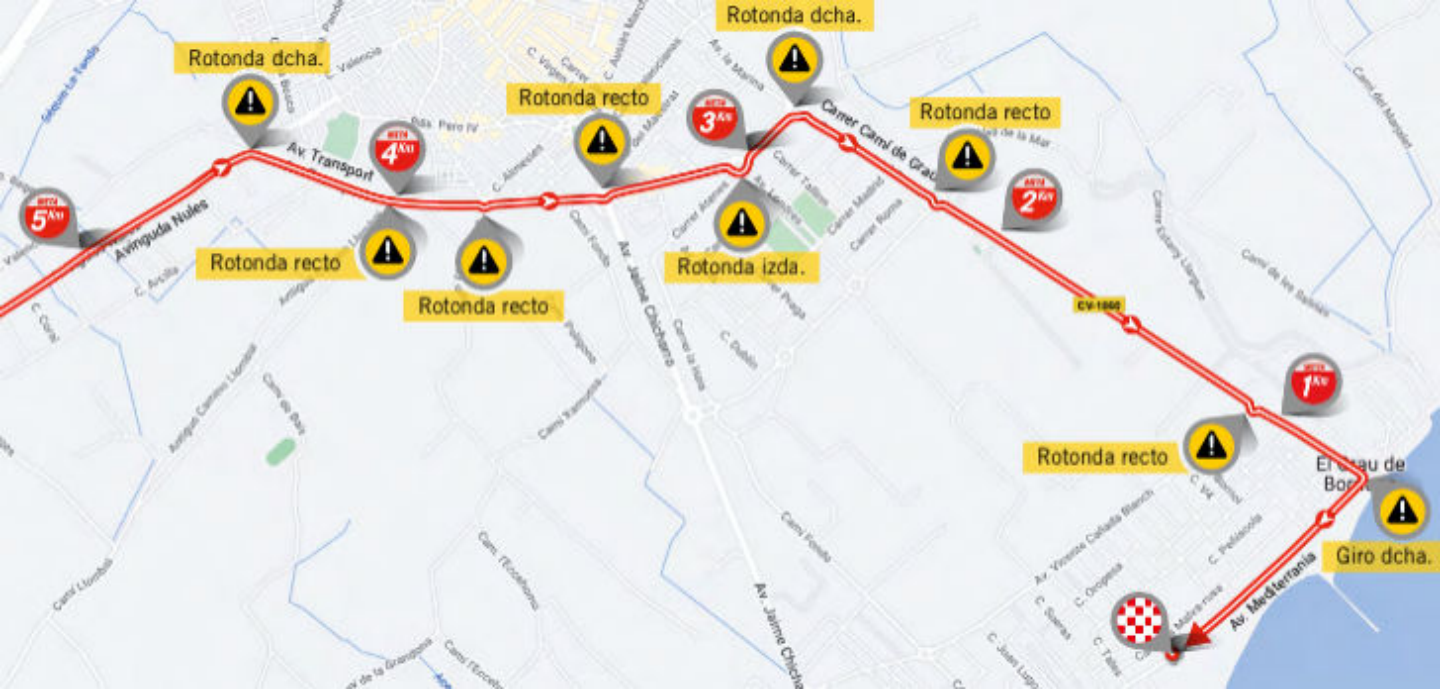
Cruce de Carrera con Recorrido Alternativo

Parada Técnica de la Caravana

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2 km





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Rotonda recto

Giro dcha.

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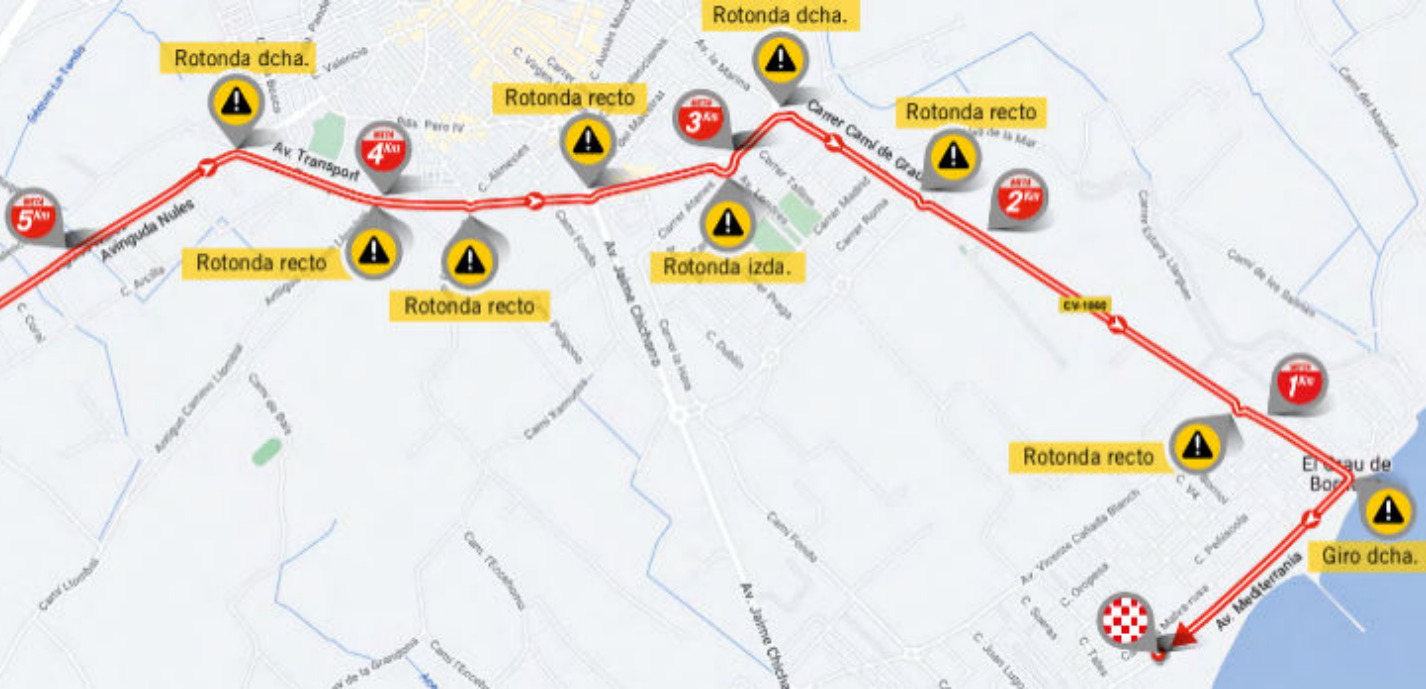
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**Tim in KY** It's not a good race when you crash in the neutral zone.

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07:09:28 am



**Tim in KY** Now walk, chores and errands.Â Back in a couple hours.

08-30-2023  
07:19:53 am



**Charlie in Tenn** I am holding down a solid 19th in the fantasy league. Saskia is the only thing keeping me off the bottom rung. Looking at the teams, I have no hope of gaining on anyone unless all of my 4, 6, 8 pointers go crazy. I though Kamna was going to do it two days ago but he got tired.

08-30-2023  
07:20:14 am



**Charlie in Tenn** 1 Man break. Eric from Uruguay. Go Eric.

08-30-2023  
07:42:25 am



**Trish in MA** Greetings from the train to Bilbao. Looks like the Spanish countryside except with rail yards. And rain

08-30-2023  
07:59:18 am



**Trish in MA** Fergundez said he wanted to get in today's break. He got his wish - and 4 minutes

08-30-2023  
08:09:28 am



**Trish in MA** Dunbar has abandoned

08-30-2023  
08:16:00 am



**Katie S** Good morning. That's a fair number of casualties for today's stage.

08-30-2023  
08:28:07 am



**Trish in MA** The train has moved off the dry (yet rainy) Spanish plain and into the mountains and hills outside of Bilbao. Not much happening in the race. Has TV coverage not yet started?

08-30-2023  
08:39:46 am



**Katie S** starts in 9 minutes

08-30-2023  
08:40:51 am



**Trish in MA** That explains the lack of anything, I guess. Nothing to see here. Just guys on bikes

08-30-2023  
08:44:51 am



**Katie S** 1 minute to Wapner

08-30-2023  
08:48:46 am



**Tim in KY** Fagundez would not be a name to have in a US middle school.

08-30-2023  
08:48:54 am



**Tim in KY** Short rest before next chore.

08-30-2023  
08:49:10 am



**Katie S** ha!

08-30-2023  
08:49:14 am



**Tim in KY** ASO ticker is struggling to find anything useful to talk about: "Rohan Dennis, Michael Matthews, Simon Clarke, Chris Sutton, Bradley McGee and Stuart Oâ€™Grady are the previous Australians to have led the points standings of La Vuelta before Kaden Groves. None of them has won a stage while leading the standings."

08-30-2023  
08:51:36 am



**Katie S** all true, but yawn

08-30-2023  
08:52:07 am



**Tim in KY** Amazingly, they are at the fastest imaginable right now.

08-30-2023  
08:53:14 am



**Tim in KY** Back to work.

08-30-2023  
08:53:52 am



**Katie S** Funny how the profile looks like a downhill stage - except for that jagged stuff

08-30-2023  
08:55:06 am



**Trish in MA** And the gap is coming down as the TV cameras come on

08-30-2023  
08:56:55 am



**Katie S** cuz, it'ssss SHOWtime!

08-30-2023  
09:11:00 am



**Trish in MA** I was hoping that at 3 KUs the gap would have been 3â€™33 but the peloton did not honor my wish

08-30-2023  
09:13:52 am



**Katie S** wankesr

08-30-2023  
09:14:06 am



**Katie S** wankers

08-30-2023  
09:14:11 am



**Katie S** (good lord)

08-30-2023  
09:14:14 am



**Trish in MA** Hey, it let you type wankers! Â Guess thatâ€™s not on the

08-30-2023  
09:15:01 am

forbidden word list

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**Trish in MA** We arrive in Bilbao in 15 mins. And thatâ€™s when the action will start

08-30-2023  
09:16:54 am

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**Katie S** perhaps Jo has developed an AI tool that determines whether the vulgarity in question is actually the most accurate term and therefore permits it.

08-30-2023  
09:18:40 am

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**Trish in MA** :-:\*

08-30-2023  
09:22:45 am

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**Tim in KY** Why did O'Ganna abandon?

08-30-2023  
09:54:44 am

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**Katie S** stomach

08-30-2023  
09:54:52 am

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**Tim in KY** It wasn't O'Ganna, it was O'Zana.

08-30-2023  
09:56:24 am

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**Tim in KY** Cat 2 starts in a Km.

08-30-2023  
09:57:55 am

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**SFinAus** Good morning.Â Not a lot happening today until the finale I guess which I'll likely miss.

08-30-2023  
10:04:14 am

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**Charlie in Tenn** I have not been here much. Have guests coming this weekend so I am cleaning and rearranging.

08-30-2023  
10:13:13 am

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**SFinAus** Sepulveda takes off.

08-30-2023  
10:14:54 am

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**Tim in KY** I still have laundry to put away then I'm done with chores.

08-30-2023  
10:15:13 am

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**Tim in KY** Greedy guy.

08-30-2023  
10:15:28 am

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**SFinAus** I'm just glad somebody did something.

08-30-2023  
10:16:13 am

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**Tim in KY** Newly paved road for la Vuelta.

08-30-2023  
10:17:34 am



**SFinAus** Doh. I forgot Sepulveda is looking for climbing points.

08-30-2023  
10:19:06 am



**SFinAus** He's even got the jersey to show people like me.Â I guess I have yet to fully engage with the Vuelta.

08-30-2023  
10:20:08 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Beautiful hairpins from above.

08-30-2023  
10:24:28 am



**Katie S** He's flying up this

08-30-2023  
10:24:58 am



**Charlie in Tenn** If Eric can ride down pretty well, he can probably catch Sepulveda and ride together.

08-30-2023  
10:26:24 am



**Tim in KY** It's hard to pick up time on a descent.

08-30-2023  
10:28:17 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Nevermind. I think he is back with the bunch.

08-30-2023  
10:30:27 am



**Tim in KY** Yes, Eric is back with the peloton.

08-30-2023  
10:32:38 am



**Tim in KY** At the slowest imaginable right now.

08-30-2023  
10:33:49 am



**Tim in KY** Nope, Eric is still in no mansland.

08-30-2023  
10:35:07 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Now it looks like the timer says he is still ahead of the pe;oton.

08-30-2023  
10:35:12 am



**Tim in KY** Intermediate sprint comes with 11 km to go.Â That's just stupid.

08-30-2023  
10:37:08 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Now he is caught.

08-30-2023  
10:41:59 am





**Katie S** was inevitable, but nice effort

08-30-2023  
10:43:35 am



**RocketCity** Gâ€™™ morning. Â Done with some chores.

08-30-2023  
10:45:50 am



**RocketCity** My fantasy team has suffered setbacks today. Â Zane out w/illness and Dunbar crashed out in the neutral zone today.

08-30-2023  
10:46:37 am



**RocketCity** Xanax not Zane

08-30-2023  
10:47:35 am



**RocketCity** Dang it. Â ZANA

08-30-2023  
10:47:47 am



**RocketCity** Iâ€™™ going to have to turn off autocorrect. Â Although Xanax was good for a giggle.

08-30-2023  
10:48:15 am



**Katie S** very funny

08-30-2023  
10:49:35 am



**RocketCity** Dealing with cat issues ðŸ’© this week. Â The diva cat either has a food allergy/intolerance or inflammatory bowel disease. Â Finding something that wonâ€™™t totally throw her system off has been challenging thomrougout her first 3 year. Â This week she stopped eating the one dry food I have found that she will eat and tolerate and her gut was the worst ever. Â Put her in gut rest for most of a day and she got ground turkey with pumpkin this morning and things seem better.

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10:53:56 am



**RocketCity** [https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693407592-IMG\\_2824.jpeg](https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693407592-IMG_2824.jpeg)

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10:54:58 am



**RocketCity** The catlet and the diva. Â Both wanted lap time simultaneously.

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10:55:28 am



**Katie S** She was just angling for the turkey and pumpkin pie

08-30-2023  
10:58:29 am



**Trish in MA** Poor kitty

08-30-2023  
10:59:15 am



**RocketCityGal** Long fur doesnâ€™™t help. Â Klingons.

08-30-2023  
11:04:06 am





**RocketCityGal** Coasting downhill before the finale.

08-30-2023  
11:07:57 am



**RocketCityGal** The intermediate sprint is unusually close to the finish, so the sprinters will be busy pretty soon.

08-30-2023  
11:09:09 am



**Katie S** Bob describes old buildings as "elegantly dilapidated."

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11:11:20 am



**Trish in MA** We are watching the end of the race in the hotel bar

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11:14:01 am



**Trish in MA** [https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693408889-IMG\\_8442.jpeg](https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693408889-IMG_8442.jpeg)

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11:16:31 am



**Tim in KY** Well it actually is five o'clock in Bilbao.

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11:16:36 am



**Trish in MA** Shall I order a glass of Izagirre?

08-30-2023  
11:16:59 am



**Katie S** YES!

08-30-2023  
11:17:20 am



**Charlie in Tenn** There are time bonuses at the sprint as well...

08-30-2023  
11:18:28 am



**Tim in KY** 3, 2, 1. Doesn't seem worth it.

08-30-2023  
11:19:31 am



**Tim in KY** Lot of points, though.

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11:19:58 am



**RocketCityGal** Sneaky Remco takes the max sprint time bonus.

08-30-2023  
11:21:16 am



**Trish in MA** [https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693409197-IMG\\_8443.jpeg](https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693409197-IMG_8443.jpeg)

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# NUESTROS VINOS...

e 23 c/bot.	M. RISCAL	Verdejo	2'50	12
20 c/bot.	G. IZAGIRRE	Trakoli	2'50	15
14 c/bot.	TERRA do LOBO	Godello	2'75	18
18 c/bot.	ENATE	Chardonnay	2'75	18 c/bot.
3 c/bot.	CADORNILLO	caixa	4'50	15 c/bot.
	P. VIDES			
	BORGO Fulvia	Moscato	2'00	10 c/bot.





**Trish in MA** Donâ€™t

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11:21:45 am



**Trish in MA** Done

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11:21:54 am



**Tim in KY** Txakoli or chacolÃ is a slightly sparkling, very dry white wine with high acidity and low alcohol content produced in the Spanish Basque Country,

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**RocketCityGal** Thereâ€™re in Valencia. Â You need something with OJ in it

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11:22:43 am



**Tim in KY** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693409480-stage-5-route-finish.jpg>

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**RocketCityGal** 6 km and 9 roundabouts to go

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11:26:27 am



**SFinAus** Meeting ended just in time!

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11:26:41 am



**SFinAus** Crash at roundabout at 3.1 k

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11:28:49 am



**Trish in MA** I am saying nothing.

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11:29:43 am



**RocketCityGal** Kron and Menten involved

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11:29:58 am



**SFinAus** Was it dstny?

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11:30:11 am



**SFinAus** ;)

08-30-2023  
11:30:13 am



**SFinAus** That was close.Â We could wait for the photo, or ask Trish.

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11:32:29 am



**Tim in KY** Close.

08-30-2023  
11:32:34 am





**RocketCityGal** Ganna? Groves? Â Probably Groves

08-30-2023  
11:32:38 am



**RocketCityGal** Groves by 1/4 wheel or so

08-30-2023  
11:33:51 am



**Trish in MA** We have no sound but itâ€™s Groves

08-30-2023  
11:33:51 am



**SFinAus** Groves.Â Clear to see on the heli shot.

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11:33:56 am



**Katie S** They're saying Groves

08-30-2023  
11:33:56 am



**Trish in MA** Half a wheel

08-30-2023  
11:36:07 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Robbie McEwan yesterday thought Ganna could possibly sprint. Seems like he was a day early.

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11:36:54 am



**Katie S** he can possibly sprint. he just didn't git er done today

08-30-2023  
11:37:15 am



**Trish in MA** He can in 2nd by half a wheel

08-30-2023  
11:37:58 am



**SFinAus** Seems like a TT-er would have enough fast twitch bits, but there he was

08-30-2023  
11:39:23 am



**Charlie in Tenn** I guess Ganna is my fantasy sprinter. I will take it.

08-30-2023  
11:40:01 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Robbie said it was pure power. Ganna needs to get going and maintain it over a longer stretch. Yesterday's hill near the finish would help a TTer and hurt the sprinters. Today, maybe Ineos just said waht the hell.

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11:42:59 am



**RocketCityGal** Iâ€™m going to make a wild prediction that Groves is not going to win tomorrowâ€™s stage. :-)

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11:43:57 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Tommorrow is a long uphill stage with a mt top finish.

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11:43:59 am







**Charlie in Tenn** Good call RCG.

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11:44:18 am



**Trish in MA** [https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693410566-IMG\\_8445.jpeg](https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693410566-IMG_8445.jpeg)

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11:44:29 am



**Trish in MA** this is what we see on TV. Guys taking baths!

08-30-2023  
11:44:49 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Uh, thanks for sharing,

08-30-2023  
11:45:20 am



**Katie S** I get that is some cold water

08-30-2023  
11:45:23 am



**Katie S** bet

08-30-2023  
11:45:24 am



**Charlie in Tenn** See everyone tomorrow.

08-30-2023  
11:46:58 am



**SFinAus** On that note, so long for today.Â Thanks all - especially for not making fun of lack of awareness earlier!Â :)

08-30-2023  
11:47:06 am



**Katie S** Tomorrow is another day!

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11:47:58 am