



**Tim in KY** VaE Stage 2 is 182 kilometers from MatarÃ³, just north of Barcelona, to a climb and descent of the frequently used MontjuÃ³c back in Barcelona. The route is basically 91 km west into the mountains and 91 km back to the finish in Barcelona.

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**Tim in KY** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693083567-stage-2-route.jpg>

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04:54:28 pm



**Tim in KY** The profile is two Cat 3 climbs bookending a Cat 2 with a couple of uncategorized climbs thrown in. And a lot of valley road in between. The final climb is 900 meters at 10% and crests just 4 km from the finish.

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**Tim in KY** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693083645-stage-2-profile.jpg>

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**Tim in KY** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693083661-stage-2-profile-finish.jpg>

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**Tim in KY** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693083680-stage-2-route-finish.jpg>

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04:56:21 pm



**Tim in KY** Kilometer zero is scheduled for 13:11 CEST. Finish is imagined either side of 17:30. Forecast is for rain storms along the entire route with temps in the low-20s.

08-26-2023  
04:57:27 pm



**Tim in KY** Despite all the crashes, DePlus was the only DNF yesterday. No word currently of any DNS today.

08-27-2023  
06:26:17 am



**Tim in KY** Because of the continued wet conditions, finish times will be taken at the top of the MontjuÃ³c climb. But stage winner will be the rider who crosses the original finish line first. A lot of exclamation points on that descent.

08-27-2023  
06:31:25 am



**BusterSci** Hi Tim

08-27-2023  
07:02:54 am

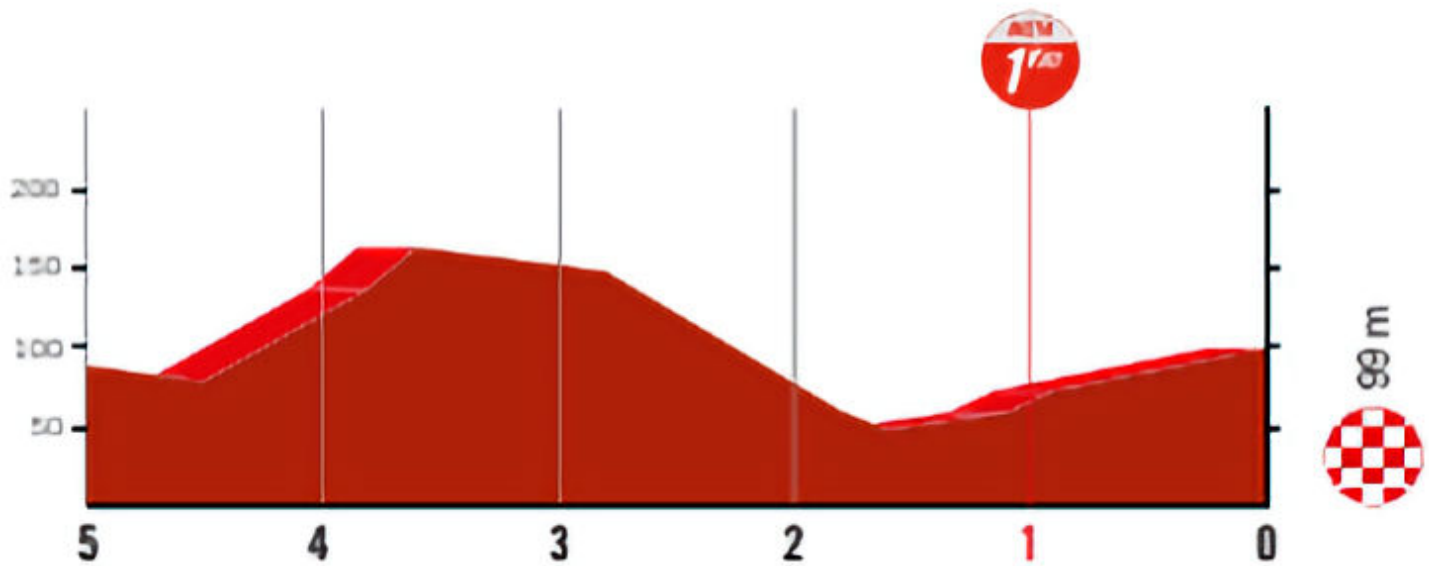


**Tim in KY** Morning Buster. Where were you yesterday?

08-27-2023  
07:04:07 am









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**Charlie in Tenn** Hi Tim and Buster. I was playing boardgames. I did not realize the start time.

08-27-2023  
07:05:49 am



**Charlie in Tenn** I will be back in an hour.

08-27-2023  
07:06:38 am



**Tim in KY** Km0 is at 13:11 but Peacock doesn't start streaming until 14:50. I'm going to do chores and take a walk. Finally cooled down enough here to do that.

08-27-2023  
07:06:47 am



**Tim in KY** ASO ticker says GC times will now be taken 9 km before the finish line. That's well before the start of the Montjuïc climb.

08-27-2023  
08:10:21 am



**BusterSci** I watched, but I really need to reduce my keyboard time.

08-27-2023  
08:10:23 am



**BusterSci** 53 this morning here. Been up since 3. Doing some finishing touches on my boat build, and after Frau makes brekkers we'll take the hound for a stroll.

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08:10:24 am



**BusterSci** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693137912-Screenshot%202023-08-27%20at%206.59.49%20AM.png>

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08:10:26 am



**BusterSci** Ive said it before, but I don't give a rat's patoot what country they're from. What friggin TEAM are they on?

08-27-2023  
08:10:27 am



**Tim in KY** PCS shows a tiny jersey next to the names. And a flag.

08-27-2023  
08:13:43 am



**BusterSci** Fair, I think. Sprinters should have had a shot at this stage so it's hardly right to put it at a small climb

08-27-2023  
08:13:45 am



**BusterSci** Which finish gets time bonuses?

08-27-2023  
08:13:46 am



**BusterSci** That screen shot is from PCS

08-27-2023  
08:14:22 am



**Tim in KY** Break is at the slowest imaginable. Time bonuses go to 1-2-3 at the last KOM and at the finish.

08-27-2023  
08:15:45 am

Position in general classification for riders in **group 1**.

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#	RIDER	TIMELAG
15	 PICCOLO Andrea	0:06
40	 ROMO Javier	0:17
90	 NICOLAU Joel	0:42
113	 SOBRERO Matteo	0:51
138	 BOL Jetse	1:13



**Tim in KY** PCS and ASO don't agree on the 5th man in the break. PCS says it's a Caja. ASO says is a second Burgos.

08-27-2023  
08:21:41 am



**BusterSci** And we can't see if he's purple or green

08-27-2023  
08:32:18 am



**BusterSci** Off to walk the pooch.

08-27-2023  
08:32:19 am



**Tim in KY** They're probably all wearing black rain jackets any way.

08-27-2023  
08:35:42 am



**Tim in KY** Riders are at the official start of the Cat 2.

08-27-2023  
08:37:21 am



**Tim in KY** Stream is up and the plague of Bobke and CVV continues.

08-27-2023  
08:54:02 am



**Tim in KY** PCS is correct. It's a Caja.

08-27-2023  
08:57:04 am



**Tim in KY** No rain and dry roads right now. But still raining in Barcelona.

08-27-2023  
08:58:30 am



**Tim in KY** Gap is 2:29.

08-27-2023  
08:59:20 am



**Charlie in Tenn** I'm back. GCN showed a road with a lot of standing water somewhere near the finish. .

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08:59:35 am



**Trish in MA** [https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693141524-IMG\\_8338.jpeg](https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693141524-IMG_8338.jpeg)

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09:00:28 am



**Trish in MA** Team bus parking lot

08-27-2023  
09:00:40 am



**Trish in MA** Not raining now. We are hoping bringing our rain jackets will keep the rain away

08-27-2023  
09:01:31 am



**Tim in KY** It's also dry out in the mountains, Trish.

08-27-2023  
09:02:21 am







**John** Good evening everyone! Hereâ€™s hoping that twisty run down to the finish doesnâ€™t turn deadly

08-27-2023  
09:05:28 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Taking time at the 9 km mark is fine but still racing for the bonus seconds at the top of the climb and then more time bonuses at the finish does not seem to be helping make the finish safer to me.

08-27-2023  
09:10:45 am



**John** Nope, not at all. Between their football association and the Vuelta, the Spanish are not doing well with their organizations looking out for their athletes

08-27-2023  
09:12:24 am



**Trish in MA** [https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693142367-IMG\\_8344.jpeg](https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693142367-IMG_8344.jpeg)

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**Trish in MA** 90 euros for one of these shirts. My T shirt was 8

08-27-2023  
09:15:02 am



**Trish in MA** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693142367-1693142120015.jpeg>

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**Trish in MA** View from the finish line

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09:15:56 am



**Trish in MA** [https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693142520-IMG\\_8345.jpeg](https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693142520-IMG_8345.jpeg)

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09:19:43 am



**Trish in MA** e VIP area to open

08-27-2023  
09:19:46 am



**Trish in MA** Waiting for the VIP area to open

08-27-2023  
09:19:48 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Did anyone see Tim Wellens finish second (Renewi Race) after riding the last 40 kms on a slightly flat front tire? Slightly flat because he had one of those tires that seals small holes on its own. The cars could not get to him because the break only had 30 seconds on the pack. Mike Teunissen got the win.

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09:20:05 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Wellens took the lead of the race that day.

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09:21:07 am

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**Charlie in Tenn** Roads look pretty good now.

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09:24:43 am



**Katie S** Good morning, all. Just got back from Scotland last night. Been up since 3 this morning, but had it in my head the Vuelta started next weekend. Alas, no fantasy team for me â€¦ or maybe thatâ€™s a blessing!

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**Katie S** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693143200-1693142900608.jpeg>

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**Katie S** the Edinburgh airport, two weeks ago

08-27-2023  
09:28:46 am



**Tim in KY** How long were you in Scotland, Katie?

08-27-2023  
09:29:31 am



**Tim in KY** Remco is 1:00 behind the peloton. Why?

08-27-2023  
09:31:40 am



**Katie S** Two weeks. Just wonderful.

08-27-2023  
09:34:21 am



**bikerabe** Evenapol is in a group 1:22 behind peloton a lot happening only stage 2

08-27-2023  
09:34:21 am



**Trish in MA** What happened to Remco?

08-27-2023  
09:36:21 am



**Tim in KY** They go to Andorra tomorrow. It's snowing in Andorra right now.

08-27-2023  
09:36:59 am



**Tim in KY** Clothing change, Trish.

08-27-2023  
09:37:10 am



**Trish in MA** [https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693143785-IMG\\_8347.jpeg](https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693143785-IMG_8347.jpeg)

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**Trish in MA** wild dogs have not yet arrived so we get food!

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09:38:27 am



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**Tim in KY** Why no food yesterday, Trish?

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09:39:17 am



**Charlie in Tenn** I am off to church. After being gone all summer, I am trying to get back in good graces. See ya tomorrow.

08-27-2023  
09:41:31 am



**Trish in MA** Wild dogs. There were so many people and the minute the server set food down it was gone. Dave says it took less than 10 secs to clear out a platter

08-27-2023  
09:41:40 am



**Bill Wilkinson** CVVÂ says Remco is just chill today. Comparing him to Ryder spending a lot of time in the back, even when he was wearing pink....

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09:49:22 am



**Bill Wilkinson** Remco back in contact with the bunch

08-27-2023  
09:50:16 am



**Tim in KY** Raining again as they head back to the coast.

08-27-2023  
09:50:20 am



**bikerabe** Evenepoel had a puncture on descent one of many per CN ticker

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09:50:48 am



**Trish in MA** Oh no. Spits of rain!

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09:53:34 am



**Trish in MA** [https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693144951-IMG\\_8350.jpeg](https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693144951-IMG_8350.jpeg)

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09:57:39 am



**Trish in MA** Almost no one at 200 meters to go

08-27-2023  
09:58:06 am



**Trish in MA** And the umbrellas and rain jackets are out

08-27-2023  
09:59:50 am



**Bill Wilkinson** Time to get ready for work....enjoy the day!

08-27-2023  
10:06:48 am



**Tim in KY** Radar looks like sprinkles in Barcelona for the rest of the race.

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10:07:36 am





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**Tim in KY** Still at the slowest imaginable.

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10:08:27 am



**Mikey** Morning all Good to be back

08-27-2023  
10:11:42 am



**Trish in MA** This is like watching the race at home on the TV only not understanding a word the announcer is saying

08-27-2023  
10:12:07 am



**BusterSci** But it's not the NBC crew so it's still better

08-27-2023  
10:13:14 am



**Mikey** Hi Trish I'm watching from home on SBS and I still can't understand a word the Aussies are saying!

08-27-2023  
10:13:56 am



**Trish in MA** [https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693145933-IMG\\_8351.jpeg](https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693145933-IMG_8351.jpeg)

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10:13:58 am



**Trish in MA** swag

08-27-2023  
10:14:07 am



**Tim in KY** Cool.

08-27-2023  
10:17:12 am



**Trish in MA** We have Italians next to us, complete with flag. All the Spaniards I've met are rooting for Movistar and Mas

08-27-2023  
10:29:01 am



**Trish in MA** Train! My husband is happy

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10:31:00 am



**Trish in MA** Crash

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10:34:34 am



**Trish in MA** Jayco

08-27-2023  
10:35:03 am



**Tim in KY** Where Trish?

08-27-2023  
10:35:05 am



**Trish in MA** 47 km

08-27-2023  
10:35:24 am



**CAJA RURAL  
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**Tim in KY** You're way ahead of us Trish.

08-27-2023  
10:35:24 am



**Mikey** Wow! So far ahead!

08-27-2023  
10:35:43 am



**Tim in KY** Burgos and Jayco.

08-27-2023  
10:35:56 am



**Mikey** I'm still at 48!

08-27-2023  
10:35:56 am



**Trish in MA** Thatâ€™s cuz Iâ€™m in Spain

08-27-2023  
10:36:21 am



**Mikey** Crash!

08-27-2023  
10:36:22 am



**Tim in KY** Burgo just flat fell over.

08-27-2023  
10:37:00 am



**bikerabe** Sctson for Jayco down

08-27-2023  
10:37:40 am



**bikerabe** Scotson

08-27-2023  
10:37:53 am



**Tim in KY** Break is breaking up.

08-27-2023  
10:38:22 am



**Tim in KY** J-V pulling the peloton now.

08-27-2023  
10:44:51 am



**Trish in MA** Caravan arriving

08-27-2023  
10:46:43 am



**Mikey** Only 30 k to the 9k mark

08-27-2023  
10:47:21 am



**Mikey** More swag Trish?

08-27-2023  
10:47:32 am



**Tim in KY** The caravan at least is right on time.

08-27-2023  
10:47:51 am



**Trish in MA** No. And the thrown candy landed in the road and is being run over by cars and swept up by folks cleaning the road

08-27-2023  
10:50:28 am



**Trish in MA** Oh dear?

08-27-2023  
10:53:25 am



**Mikey** New meaning for candy crush

08-27-2023  
10:54:47 am



**Tim in KY** Rog hit the road.

08-27-2023  
10:54:55 am



**Trish in MA** Movistar car just came through and the crowds pounded The barriers

08-27-2023  
10:55:14 am



**Tim in KY** Piccolo slid out in the break.

08-27-2023  
10:56:10 am



**Tim in KY** Slippery roads.

08-27-2023  
10:56:46 am



**Mikey** Getting paced back?

08-27-2023  
10:57:21 am



**Tim in KY** Peloton has sat up.

08-27-2023  
10:58:01 am



**Tim in KY** Peloton has sped up again.

08-27-2023  
10:59:24 am



**Tim in KY** Olney (DSM) abandons with a fractured clavicle.

08-27-2023  
11:01:33 am



**Trish in MA** Is Rog back? Â Surrounded br nonEnglish speakers

08-27-2023  
11:01:38 am



**Mikey** Yup

08-27-2023  
11:02:18 am



**Tim in KY** Rog is back and fine.

08-27-2023  
11:02:22 am



**Tim in KY** Very wet roads now.

08-27-2023  
11:04:23 am



**Tim in KY** 0:58.

08-27-2023  
11:05:33 am



**Trish in MA** Oh dear

08-27-2023  
11:05:54 am



**Tim in KY** Hard to see because there's so much water on the lens.

08-27-2023  
11:06:09 am



**Mikey** Stop that Trish.... Every time you oh dear something happens

08-27-2023  
11:08:19 am



**Trish in MA** Meanwhile the 3 manual street sweepers continue with their efforts. Å They are at 175 meters from the finish

08-27-2023  
11:08:30 am



**bikerabe** Red jersey otb

08-27-2023  
11:10:53 am



**Tim in KY** He has blood on his elbow.

08-27-2023  
11:13:27 am



**Mikey** 9k to 9k

08-27-2023  
11:13:55 am



**Trish in MA** Bon Scott ACDC is being played and the crowd pounds the barriers

08-27-2023  
11:16:44 am



**Trish in MA** With 12 km to go the street sweepers finish as AC DC plays on

08-27-2023  
11:18:29 am



**Trish in MA** And we lose the video feed

08-27-2023  
11:18:51 am



**bikerabe** 12 km to go GC times will stop at 9 km to go for safety

08-27-2023  
11:20:15 am



**Trish in MA** It's back

08-27-2023  
11:20:32 am



**bikerabe** great WOTS comments Trish

08-27-2023  
11:21:14 am



**Trish in MA** Helicopters overhead. Lots of cars destroying the sweepers work

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11:23:41 am



**Mikey** So Tim is it correct that the time bonus' are at the real finish?

08-27-2023  
11:23:56 am



**Tim in KY** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693150154-stage-2-route-finish.jpg>

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11:24:15 am



**Trish in MA** Two choppers. Crowds rush the barriers

08-27-2023  
11:24:27 am



**Tim in KY** Yes, Mikey.

08-27-2023  
11:24:34 am



**Mikey** So there are two finishes?

08-27-2023  
11:24:53 am



**Tim in KY** 10, 6 and 4 sec.

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11:24:54 am



**Tim in KY** One finish for GC time and one for stage win.

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11:25:32 am



**Tim in KY** On the climb.

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11:26:18 am



**Mikey** Why bother stopping the GC time at 9k if there still are seconds at the end?

08-27-2023  
11:26:31 am



**Tim in KY** Very small group contesting the stage win.

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11:27:24 am



**Trish in MA** Feed lost again

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11:27:27 am







**Trish in MA** I blame the helicopters

08-27-2023  
11:27:44 am



**Mikey** I suppose but no way is a serious GC contender going to let any other get a few seconds

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11:28:15 am



**Trish in MA** Conditions are pretty good re rain

08-27-2023  
11:29:18 am



**Mikey** Nobody taking risks anyway

08-27-2023  
11:29:29 am



**Mikey** If we have 5 k Trish you have 2k to go

08-27-2023  
11:30:11 am



**Trish in MA** I have 2k. I shall say nothing

08-27-2023  
11:32:16 am



**Tim in KY** Wet decent.

08-27-2023  
11:32:54 am



**Trish in MA** except that I am done

08-27-2023  
11:35:49 am



**Tim in KY** This will be some sort-out for the GC standings.

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11:37:32 am



**Tim in KY** And I will do other things while they sort that out.

08-27-2023  
11:38:32 am



**Mikey** Glad there was no Oh dear at the end Trish!

08-27-2023  
11:39:06 am



**Mikey** Thanks for everything on site

08-27-2023  
11:39:17 am



**Trish in MA** Meanwhile we pound the barriers for everyone coming through

08-27-2023  
11:39:23 am



**PasadenaK8** Second that, Mikey! Thanks Tim and Trish. Mañana!

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11:41:30 am



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CITROËN  
TEAM

LARRY



WARBASSE  
Italy



**Trish in MA** Rog just passed us by

08-27-2023  
11:41:34 am



**Kim from Or** Thank you WOTS and all!!!

08-27-2023  
11:43:38 am



**Trish in MA** And I just met the members of the Larry warbasse cycling club

08-27-2023  
11:47:05 am



**Mikey** Race leader still out on the race course for you Trish

08-27-2023  
11:47:06 am



**Mikey** Wow! That's a thing?

08-27-2023  
11:47:32 am



**Trish in MA** [https://rumbledtalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693151542-IMG\\_8387.jpeg](https://rumbledtalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1693151542-IMG_8387.jpeg)

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11:47:35 am



**Mikey** Worth the trip!

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11:48:13 am



**BusterSci** Isn't Piccolo the red jersey? He crossed the 9k line well ahead of peloton and was only 6s back on GC.

08-27-2023  
11:51:48 am



**Mikey** Beats me Buster I lost my feed and Proccycling doesn't have it

08-27-2023  
11:56:17 am



**BusterSci** Everyone is trying to figure it out but the times were taken at 9km and as such Piccolo has to be the leader.

08-27-2023  
11:57:17 am



**Mikey** Unless the time bonus' at the end were enough for someone

08-27-2023  
11:58:56 am



**BusterSci** Looks like it's Piccolo

08-27-2023  
12:01:24 pm



**Mikey** See ya Ba

08-27-2023  
12:03:43 pm



**Tim in KY** It is Piccolo. It took an hour and a half to work out the entire GC standings.

08-27-2023  
01:09:17 pm