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 **Tim in Ky** And he's squashed, too. 08-30 07:19


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 **BusterSci** We're finally hating the 80s again today, then back down into the 70s for the weekend. Weird August. 08-30 07:22


 **Tim in Ky** Indeed. 08-30 07:24


 **BusterSci** On the other hand, it's what the Norwegian bachelor farmers call "Good sleepin' weather." 08-30 07:26

 **RSoseman** I call it that too, when I have it. 08-30 07:27
















 **BusterSci** Looking back I see autocorrect decided one doesn't "hit" the 80s, they "hate" the 80s. If it's the music they're talking about, I guess I agree. 08-30 07:27

















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 **Marc @ Toad Hall** Who is presently in the break? DeGhent? Mas? 08-30 09:34

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 **Marc @ Toad Hall** Goody! I especially noticed Jungels's performance in the Giro. 08-30 09:38


 **memb54** How's Bertie doing? 08-30 09:38


 **BusterSci** I guess I copied and pasted a bit too much of Tim's prior reporting. 08-30 09:38

 **BusterSci** Bert's hanging with the GC group. 08-30 09:38

 **Tim in Ky** Orica has put two ment at the front. Gap is down to 3:30. 08-30 09:38


 **BusterSci** I expected SFunderH2O as the new moniker. 08-30 09:39

 **Charles Davis** Orica at the front seems like they are not concerned about bringing Froome to the mts. 08-30 09:40

 **SFinAtx** Good beforenoon and afternoon to all, especially our new member Mr Attenborough. 08-30 09:40


 **Charles Davis** HI everyone. 08-30 09:40

 **donny** What up, Charles 08-30 09:41

 **Tim in Ky** Start of the first climb comes in 7 km. 08-30 09:43

 **SFinAtx** 08-30 09:43


 **SFinAtx** Until now I never would have thought getting 9 inches of rain would qualify as unremarkable and getting off free and clear. 08-30 09:44


 **BusterSci** Hardest rain I've ever experienced was at the top of Ventoux. It was like being under water. The drops were gigantic. 08-30 09:44


 **donny** I seem to be a long way ahead. Das Movistar Meinshaft has cut the gap to 2:27 08-30 09:45


 **Tim in Ky** 50 km to go, 2:27. 08-30 09:45


 **Tim in Ky** That's Orica, not Mov. 08-30 09:46


 **Tim in Ky** Froome has taken off his rain jacket. 08-30 09:46

 **Mons Soseman** For several years, since shifting from September to August September, the Vuelta had avoided southern Spain as it was felt it would be too hot... 'ndalucia 08-30 09:47

 **Tim in Ky** The breaker have taken off their jackets, too. 08-30 09:48


 **donny** right you are tim and oddly enough I was scrolled up seeing an update from ages ago with the gap for 3:30 08-30 09:49

 **BusterSci** Let's get ready to rrrrrrride up a mountain or two! 08-30 09:49


 **donny** with a gap of 2 min. as the climbing starts will the break stay away? 08-30 09:50


 **BusterSci** Not a chance 08-30 09:51

 **memb54** Looks a little windy there. 08-30 09:51

 **donny** Thanks for ruining the suspense on that one buster. 08-30 09:51

 **Tim in Ky** Wind is 10 kmph. 08-30 09:51

 **Tim in Ky** Official start of the climb is at 43.5 km. 08-30 09:52

 **BusterSci** Well, Donny, you can always count on the fact that when I declare 08-30 09:52

something as inevitable in cycling I'm usually very wrong.



Tim in Ky De Marchi flats.

08-30 09:53



Tim in Ky 54.5, 1:43.

08-30 09:53



Tim in Ky Rain seems to have let up a bit.

08-30 09:57



donny 43 to go and 1;19

08-30 09:57



Tim in Ky Start of the climb. 1:19.

08-30 09:58



BusterSci And the peloton is breaking up

08-30 09:58



BusterSci Still large, but shedding people

08-30 09:58



Tim in Ky As is the break.

08-30 09:58



Gilliemarie I'm guessing we haven't heard from John in Houston. My friend there was 08-30 09:59

posting on facebook late yest and there were a number of pics with the sun shinning late in the day



Charles Davis Donny, hw was the birthday party?

08-30 09:59



Charles Davis My son is home sick today. Had a little temperature and we decided to 08-30 10:00

be safe. Seems ok now.



Dave Ringle Gilliemarie, as you are heading to Alaska, prepare for rain. We're 08-30 10:00

expecting winds and up to 2 inches today in SE Alaska (Juneau). Nothing remarkable. Ketchikan had 14 inches of rain last week, but we do live in a rainforest.



Charles Davis Pretty sure it is Katie going to Alaska

08-30 10:01




Katie Dave, you're in Alaska.OH! That's right you are Dave In Alaska, aren't you!


08-30 10:01





Gilliemarie I'm not heading To Alaska Dave, i think that's Katie

08-30 10:01


 **Joanna in New York** Well, actually Joanna in Virginia... 08-30 10:01

 **donny** Was great Charles thanks. And from all the other parents thinks for being on the safe side with a little fever and keeping him home 08-30 10:01

 **Katie** I hear the day we arrive it's supposed to dump 1.5" of rain, which is nothing compared w/ Houston's deluge. 08-30 10:02


 **BusterSci** For a second there I was wondering where Alaska, Ohio was. 08-30 10:02


 **Katie** :-) 08-30 10:02


 **Tim in Ky** //rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1504102035-VaE%20stage-11-Alto-de-Velefique.jpg 08-30 10:02

 **Katie** eeeek 08-30 10:02


 **BusterSci** Hi, Jo. Feeling better? 08-30 10:02


 **Charles Davis** Alaska OH is flatter than that. 08-30 10:02


 **Joanna in New York** Yes, finally breathing without constriction - much, much better! 08-30 10:03


 **Joanna in New York** Thank you! 08-30 10:03


 **Mons Soseman** as is Onalaska, Wisconsin 08-30 10:03

 **BusterSci** Well, you have the bluffs in Onalaska. 08-30 10:03


 **Dave Ringle** Oops, it's 6am and I'm barely up. The biggest news of Ketchikan was salmon swimming over the roads instead of under them. It all runs down mountains and into the sea. 08-30 10:03

 **Tim in Ky** Dudes off the back and dudes off the back. 08-30 10:03


 **BusterSci** About 30-35 in the GC group now 08-30 10:04


 **BusterSci** Orica must have read my strategy advice this morning. 08-30 10:04

 **Tim in Ky** Gap is under a minute. 08-30 10:04

 **Joanna in New York** For those not following the Artie Saga on Facebook, yesterday 08-30 10:05
was the first day that he was allowed to do something other than walk. He trotted soundly, if not a bit tense and tight, which is to be expected after such a long layup. He really wanted to explode and leap and buck, but that is not allowed. I need major calming medications to get me through this next phase. That said, it was a joyous day to see him starting back to work - 5 short minutes of trot, but it means so much more than I can possibly express.

 **BusterSci** Super 08-30 10:06


 **Gilliemarie** Woo hoo, Joanna! 08-30 10:06


 **BusterSci** Is that Simon Yates on the attack? I can't tell him from Adam. 08-30 10:06

 **memb54** Great news, Joanna. 08-30 10:06

 **memb54** I hope it's Adam Yates. 08-30 10:07


 **SFinAtx** That is fantastic news, Joanna. 08-30 10:07

 **Joanna in New York** Here is a still shot from the video - my heart was in my throat 08-30 10:07
and I was sick to my stomach the full five minutes...

 **Joanna in New York** //rumbletalk-images- 08-30 10:07
upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1504102355-Frame-29-08-2017-03-40-04.jpg

 **Marc @ Toad Hall** Go Artie! 08-30 10:07


 **Katie** Wow! Go artie. What a champ. 08-30 10:08

 **memb54** Looks like Simon Yates, At least, it sounds like Simon Yates, in between the 08-30 10:08

Polish words.


 **Charles Davis** Great news Joanna. 08-30 10:08


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 **BusterSci** That looks like a horse that's ready to GO! 08-30 10:08

 **memb54** WHat a beautiful photo, Joanna. 08-30 10:08


 **Charles Davis** Sounds like it Dutch as well. 08-30 10:08


 **BusterSci** OK, I knew it was Simon, Just wanted to use the joke that I couldn't tell him 08-30 10:08
from Adam.


 **memb54** Charles, I'd understand the Dutch, but this language is beyond me. 08-30 10:09

 **SFinAtx** I would not want to do this ride. 08-30 10:09

 **SFinAtx** I'll go out on a limb and predict Froome/Sky will win and cement another row 08-30 10:09
of bricks on the wall.


 **Joanna in New York** It was very funny, Buster - my connectivity sucks, so I couldn't 08-30 10:09
give you the attaboy you deserved. :)


 **memb54** :D BusterSci. I should have known you'd try that one. 08-30 10:09


 **Charles Davis** We can change feeds. I understand as much Polish as Dutch. 08-30 10:09


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 **memb54** Eurosport1 from Poland. 08-30 10:10


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











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
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
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








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-  **Katie** ...and like those teensy guardrails will do anything but break your teeth 08-30 10:42
-  **BusterSci** They're opening it up a bit without taking huge risks. Sky must be being VERY careful. 08-30 10:43
-  **Tim in Ky** Sky is descending like a married team. 08-30 10:44
-  **BusterSci** Well, Katie, I think they'd do a number on your front wheel, too. 08-30 10:44
-  **BusterSci** Nice, Tim. Very nice. 08-30 10:44
-  **KinPA** That's not true, Katie. If they were NOT there, one could ride right off the road. However, their presence hits the wheel just right to cause a spectacular flip. :S- 08-30 10:44
-  **Katie** I still remember the elder Schleck flipping over a guardrail and landing in a tree top. THAT was a spectacle. 08-30 10:45
-  **BusterSci** KinPA, in that case, I'm shocked they aren't sponsored by NBCSN. 08-30 10:45
-  **KinPA** they'd prevent an accident for a recumbent trike. Anyone wanna watch a race 08-30 10:46

on those?

 **BusterSci** 2 minutes now. 08-30 10:47

 **donny** seeing one of those recumbent trike things from time to time is at least two times to many for me. 08-30 10:48


 **Tim in Ky** The next climb starts with 15.5 km to go. 08-30 10:48


 **BusterSci** The pup has gotten used to seeing bikes, runners, and walkers on the trail. A recumbent came by yesterday and she was not amused. 08-30 10:49


 **Katie** yip yip yip yip yip 08-30 10:49


 **BusterSci** Get along little doggies. 08-30 10:50

 **BusterSci** It's your misfortune and none of my own 08-30 10:50

 **KinPA** I don't know how they manage to stay awake on those things. 08-30 10:50

 **donny** I particularly like it when they have the double 8 ft safety flags on them. 08-30 10:51


 **Mons Soseman** One can either descend or not, and one can either defend descending or not, apparently... 08-30 10:51
















 **BusterSci** I'm not going to denigrate it. They're out and going, that's good enough. 08-30 10:51


 **Tim in Ky** Who's the CDT with Woods? Jo D? 08-30 10:51

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 **Katie** i told you it's cold! 08-30 10:38


 **BusterSci** It isn't THAT cold! 08-30 10:38


 **BusterSci** Eejitcicles 08-30 10:38


 **Tim in Ky** If Gold freezes on an iPad, push Done and restart. 08-30 10:38


 **BusterSci** Roche has had a lot of bike troubles so far. 08-30 10:39

 **Tim in Ky** Road down is damp. 08-30 10:39


 **Katie** ...and like those teensy guardrails will do anything but break your teeth 08-30 10:42

 **BusterSci** They're opening it up a bit without taking huge risks. Sky must be being
VERY careful. 08-30 10:43


 **Tim in Ky** Sky is descending like a married team. 08-30 10:44

 **BusterSci** Well, Katie, I think they'd do a number on your front wheel, too. 08-30 10:44


 **BusterSci** Nice, Tim. Very nice. 08-30 10:44


 **KinPA** That's not true, Katie. If they were NOT there, one could ride right off the road. 08-30 10:44

However, their presence hits the wheel just right to cause a spectacular flip. :S-

 **Katie** I still remember the elder Schleck flipping over a guardrail and landing in a tree 08-30 10:45


top. THAT was a spectacle.

 **BusterSci** KinPA, in that case, I'm shocked they aren't sponsored by NBCSN. 08-30 10:45


 **KinPA** they'd prevent an accident for a recumbent trike. Anyone wanna watch a race 08-30 10:46


on those?

 **BusterSci** 2 minutes now. 08-30 10:47

 **donny** seeing one of those recumbent trike things from time to time is at least two 08-30 10:48

times to many for me.

 **Tim in Ky** The next climb starts with 15.5 km to go. 08-30 10:48


 **BusterSci** The pup has gotten used to seeing bikes, runners, and walkers on the trail. A08-30 10:49


recumbent came by yesterday and she was not amused.


 **Katie** yip yip yip yip yip yip 08-30 10:49

 **BusterSci** Get along little doggies. 08-30 10:50

 **BusterSci** It's your misfortune and none of my own 08-30 10:50
















 **KinPA** I don't know how they manage to stay awake on those things. 08-30 10:50
















 **donny** I particularly like it when they have the double 8 ft safety flags on them. 08-30 10:51
















 **Mons Soseman** One can either descend or not, and one can either defend descending or 08-30 10:51









not, apparently...

















 **BusterSci** I'm not going to denigrate it. They're out and going, that's good enough. 08-30 10:51

















	Tim in Ky Who's the CDT with Woods? Jo D?	08-30 10:51
	BusterSci Clarke, maybe, back from the break?	08-30 10:52
	donny Atapuma Yates and Bardet climbing together	08-30 10:52
	Mons Soseman Are you saying there are like recumbant tricycles? Like recumbent dragster?	08-30 10:53
	BusterSci 2:30	08-30 10:53
	Tim in Ky No. I saw Clarke dropped.	08-30 10:53
	BusterSci //rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1504105132-Screen%20Shot%202017-08-30%20at%209.53.37%20AM.png	08-30 10:53
	Mons Soseman Recumband Dragster sounds like a high school band name	08-30 10:54
	Mons Soseman yikes	08-30 10:54
	donny That is by far the nicest one I have ever seen!	08-30 10:54
	KinPA http://www.laidbackcycles.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/07/road-tips-10000400.jpg	08-30 10:54
	Mons Soseman do they come with remotes and popcorn?	08-30 10:54
	Steve in CO oh nuts! my Gold feed just went over the guard rail.	08-30 10:55
	BusterSci As someone with lower back and shoulder issues that make biking more than about 20 minutes impossible, I appreciate the innovation, even if I don't avail myself of it.	08-30 10:55
	donny The break does have 2:43 on the GC group now.	08-30 10:55
















-  **Tim in Ky** If a GC contender attacks Froome, this could close down pretty quickly. 08-30 10:55
-  **donny** 15km to go. Now what do we think about the chances of the break staying away? 08-30 10:56
-  **BusterSci** The cameraman following the break must have got his training from Glamour Shots. 08-30 10:56
-  **KinPA** B-Sci, you're a bird; you can fly! 08-30 10:56
-  **KinPA** Oh wait. :(08-30 10:56
-  **Tim in Ky** It is Clarke. 08-30 10:56
-  **BusterSci** That's "Clahkie" 08-30 10:57
-  **memb54** Roads look drier. 08-30 10:57
-  **Tim in Ky** Doesn't matter so much going up. 08-30 10:57
-  **Tim in Ky** This is a very schizophrenic climb. 08-30 10:58
-  **donny** The guys in the break are all turning a rather large gear at the bottom of this thing. 08-30 10:58
-  **Tim in Ky** //rumbletalk-images-
upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1504105416-VaE%20stage-11-calar-alto.jpg 08-30 10:58
-  **SFinAtx** Time for a typical miss-the-end-of-stage meeting. I'll have to watch a reply and hit the archive this evening. Thanks all for another pleasant and fun morning. 08-30 10:59
-  **BusterSci** Glub glub, SF 08-30 10:59
-  **Tim in Ky** Bahrain to the front. 08-30 10:59


	donny The shark has put a couple guppies on the front	08-30 11:00
	SFinAtx	08-30 11:00
	BusterSci Pilot fish	08-30 11:00
	donny Atapuma takes off with Bardet on his will	08-30 11:00
	donny Yates chasing but gapped	08-30 11:00
	Tim in Ky Visconti is up the road, too.	08-30 11:00
	BusterSci 2:30 at 13.7km. That's a closable gap.	08-30 11:01
	BusterSci Nice of Atapuma to put Bardet on his will, though. You usually do that for family.	08-30 11:02
	Tim in Ky I wish they'd clean off the camera lenses.	08-30 11:02
	BusterSci I suspect that guy's lens cloths are wetter than the lens at this point.	08-30 11:03
	Mons Soseman I don't mind climbs like that. There was a climb like that in Illinois, up to where you thought was the top, but it was a curve, up to the summit near the Methodist Church, and it wasn't the summit, and you could see the rest stretching up before you...	08-30 11:03
	KinPA Tim, I was thinking, we have the technology to watch live race feeds from a different continent, complete with their exact location (GPS satellites in space), yet we don't have the technology for a dry lens.	08-30 11:04
	Tim in Ky The lead moto has a clean lens now.	08-30 11:04
	donny AC in and out of the saddle just behind froome	08-30 11:06
	BusterSci I'm still trying to think of where in Illinois there are any climbs like this.	08-30 11:06

	BusterSci ;)	08-30 11:06
	Tim in Ky 12 km banner.	08-30 11:07
	BusterSci 2:07	08-30 11:07
	donny Yates is only about a min. up the road from the GC group now.	08-30 11:07
	BusterSci Coming back for Chaves, I bet.	08-30 11:08
	KinPA I think Mons might be referring to a driveway ramp, B-Sci	08-30 11:08
	Tim in Ky De La Cruz gapped.	08-30 11:09
	BusterSci My driveway averages 15% and over 20% in the first 10 feet. It does level out the last 8 feet, though.	08-30 11:09
	memb54 Yates is looking good.	08-30 11:10
	Tim in Ky Berto goes!	08-30 11:11
	Mons Soseman when you live in the middle of hthe Mississippi River Valley, there are abundant climbs available...	08-30 11:11
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	BusterSci Vaughters has announced their official crowdfunding effort with a \$2M match.	08-30 11:11
	Tim in Ky Nibili follows. Moscon shuts it down.	08-30 11:11
	memb54 Bertie!!!	08-30 11:11

	BusterSci Roche turns into a pumpkin.	08-30 11:12
	Mons Soseman good for Vaughters	08-30 11:12
	Tim in Ky Nibbles goes again.	08-30 11:12
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












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

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








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-  **donny** Yes 08-30 11:30
-  **BusterSci** But Yates is gone 08-30 11:30
-  **BusterSci** Backwards 08-30 11:30
-  **memb54** Great. Yates deserves to get this one. 08-30 11:31
-  **donny** nibbles takes a dig 08-30 11:31















	Charles Davis Anyone seen Roche	08-30 11:31
	BusterSci Nobody within 2 minutes of the lead.	08-30 11:31
	memb54 He was having problems earlier on.	08-30 11:31
	BusterSci Nibali!	08-30 11:31
	BusterSci Gap opens	08-30 11:31
	Tim in Ky Crapp, crappy road.	08-30 11:31
	BusterSci Nieve tries to close	08-30 11:31
	BusterSci 2km	08-30 11:31
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	BusterSci Nieve has to go back for Froomey.	08-30 11:32
	BusterSci Lopez, Kelderman and Bardet follow Nibali after maybe 25m	08-30 11:33
	Mons Soseman "La grinta di Vincenzo"	08-30 11:33
	BusterSci Bardet blows	08-30 11:33
	donny Froome looked in trouble but is now back	08-30 11:33
	BusterSci AC with the second group	08-30 11:33
	BusterSci Lopez bridges	08-30 11:33

	BusterSci From winds up the eggbeaters	08-30 11:33
	donny Lopez now taks a dig gets a little gap on froome and Nibbles	08-30 11:33
	donny AC further behind	08-30 11:33
	BusterSci Contador couldn't match that	08-30 11:34
	BusterSci Bardet is all over his bike and the road.	08-30 11:34
	donny Dudes in speedos don't miss it!	08-30 11:34
	BusterSci Froome leading Nibbles, chasing Lopez	08-30 11:34
	BusterSci Nibbles now gapped	08-30 11:34
	donny Lopez with 700m to go	08-30 11:35
	BusterSci That's a lot of dude	08-30 11:35
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	Tim in Ky Less than 1 km.	08-30 11:35
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	BusterSci His stage	08-30 11:35
	BusterSci Chaves losing 1:36	08-30 11:35
	BusterSci Aru dropping 1:20	08-30 11:35
	BusterSci Who would guess an Astana would have more "in the tank" than any	08-30 11:36

others?


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|  | Mons Soseman Is that snow? | 08-30 11:36 |
|  | BusterSci Kelderman catches Froome and Nibbles | 08-30 11:36 |
|  | donny Lopez will win alone one in the picture as he crosses the line | 08-30 11:36 |
|  | BusterSci I think it's like Ventoux, Mons. | 08-30 11:36 |
|  | BusterSci Lopz | 08-30 11:36 |
|  | donny Nibbles froome and Kelderman come across together followed shortly by AC
and Zakarin | 08-30 11:37 |
|  | BusterSci Froome group at 16s or so | 08-30 11:37 |
|  | Tim in Ky Lopez, Froome, Nibbles, Kelderman. | 08-30 11:37 |
|  | BusterSci 30s for AC | 08-30 11:37 |
|  | Mons Soseman Extraordinary | 08-30 11:37 |
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|  | Charles Davis Every bonus second Froome can get. | 08-30 11:37 |
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|  | BusterSci 1:17 | 08-30 11:38 |
|  | memb54 Well done to all of them. Rather them than me. Thank you, and see you all | 08-30 11:38 |

tomorrow. I have to get back to work.

	BusterSci Aru at 1:32	08-30 11:38
	Mons Soseman Later Dudes report	08-30 11:38
	Charles Davis Bye	08-30 11:38
	Gilliemarie Thanks guys, see you in the am!	08-30 11:38
	donny So this should jostle the GC top ten a bit but won't shake the top step	08-30 11:38
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	donny If AC was not retiring after this race, looks like he would have a chance to be a domestique at Sky.	08-30 11:41
	BusterSci Contador, Zakarin at 31s too.	08-30 11:41
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	donny Nieve also at 31 seconds	08-30 11:42

 **Tim in Ky** Time for lunch. 08-30 11:43

 **BusterSci** Well, that's it for me today. 08-30 11:43

 **donny** The grip on the Red Jersey gets tighter, the time gaps get wider, Yet more road is to come before the Vuelta is done. 08-30 11:46

 **donny** Later 08-30 11:46

 **Katie** Wow, what a finish! 08-30 12:13