



Tim in KY GdI Stage 2 is a 9.2 kilometer ITT along and across the Danube. On paper the course looks quite technical with lots of tight turns, especially getting on and off the Danube bridge.

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Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1651862453-stage-2-route.jpg>

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Tim in KY The course is flat until the final 1300 meters when the road tips up on an average of 5%, but the first 300 meters are at 10%.

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Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1651862526-stage-2-profile.jpg>

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Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1651862537-stage-2-finish-profile.jpg>

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Tim in KY First rider leaves the start house at 14:00 CEST, the last at 16:58. Forecast is for cloudy skies with a good chance of showers for the last two hours of the race. Temps in the low 20s. Live stream on GCN+ starts at 13:45.

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02:37:56 pm



Tim in KY Doesn't seem to be much in the way of overnight news. Still a half hour before the first rider starts.

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07:32:21 am



Tim in KY It is imagined that it will take 12 minutes to ride this course.

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Tim in KY "Not as technical as it looks in the book."

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07:56:26 am



Charlie in Tenn 20 something corners. If rain comes late will the GC favorites want go early?

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07:59:29 am



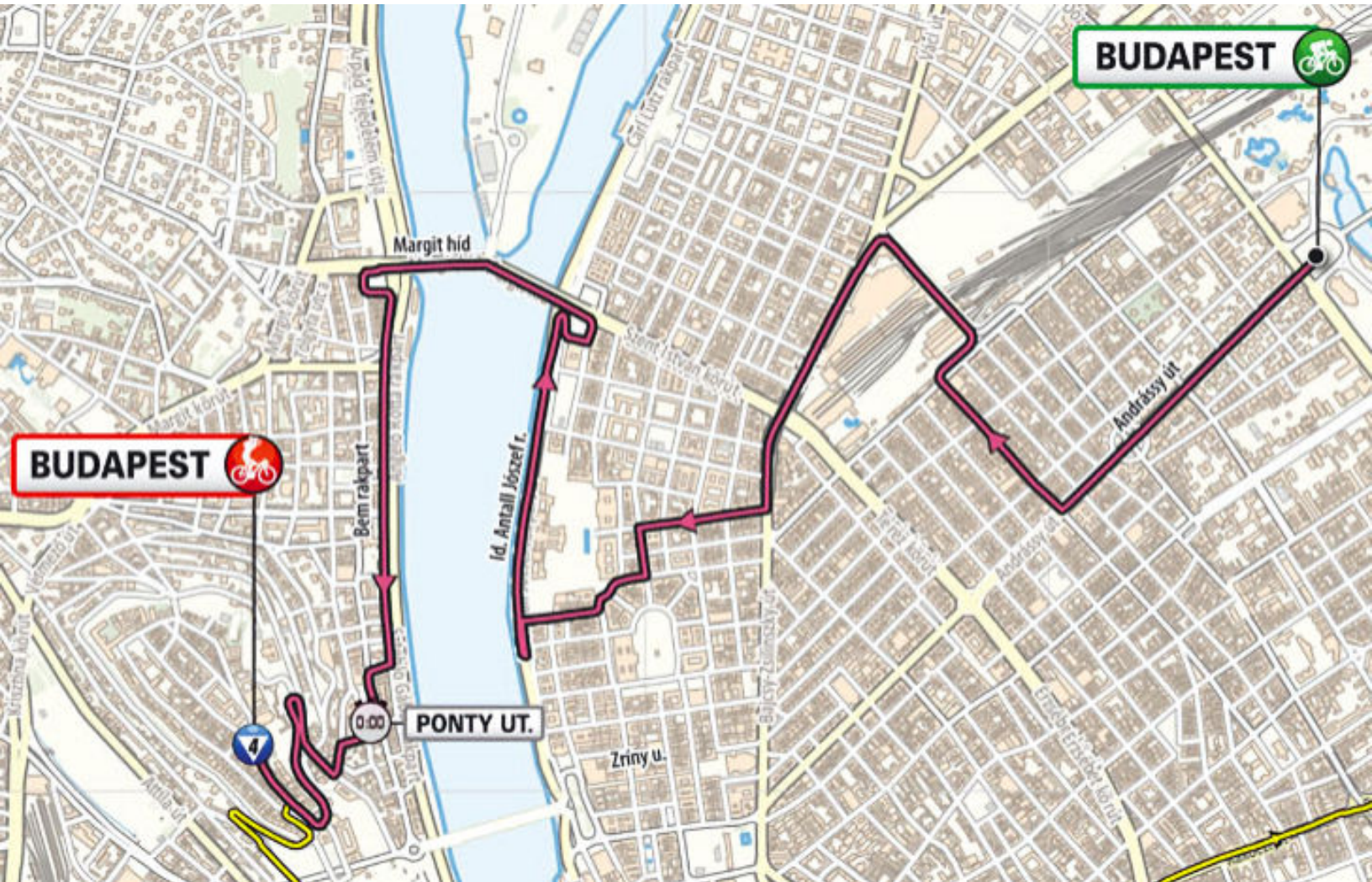
Tim in KY Can't choose start time today. Order is strictly the GC upside down.

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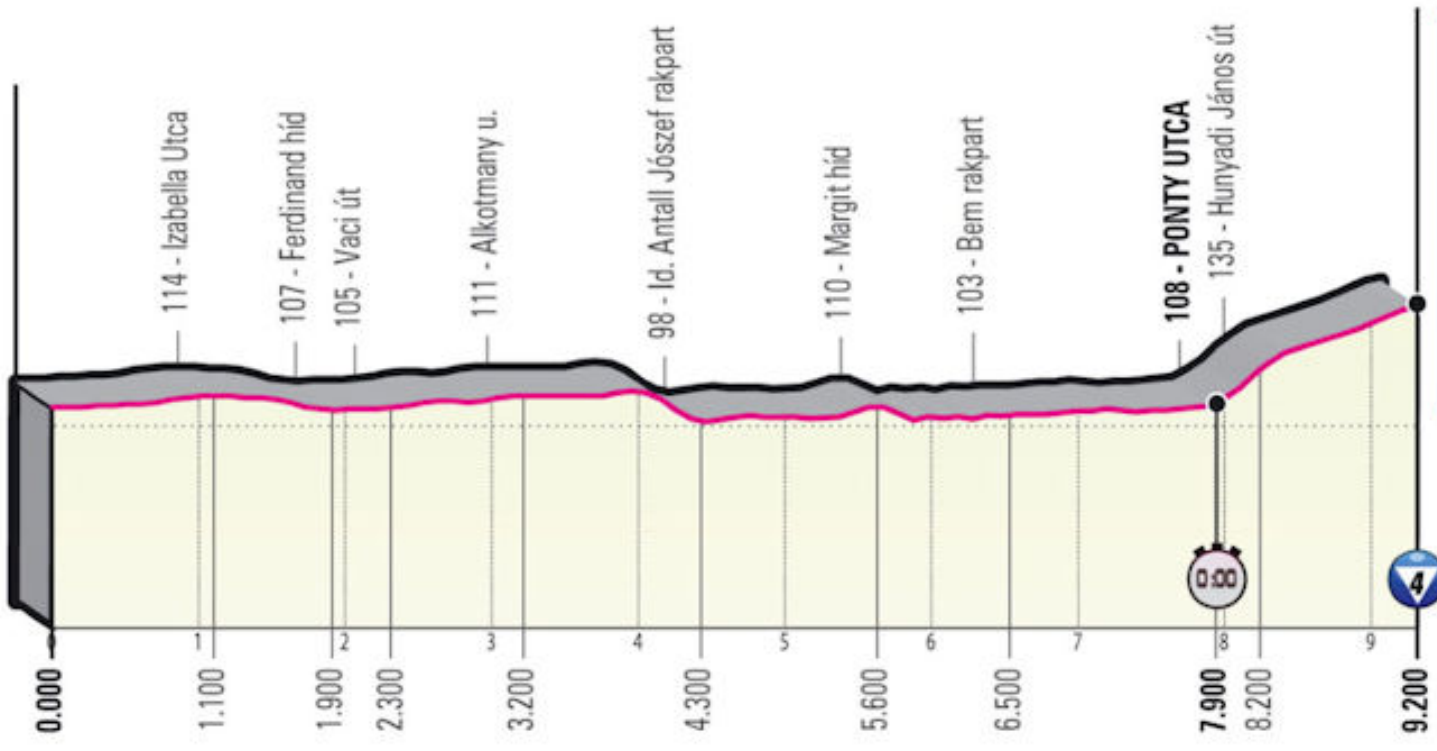


Tim in KY If it does rain, those cobbles at the finish could be treacherous.

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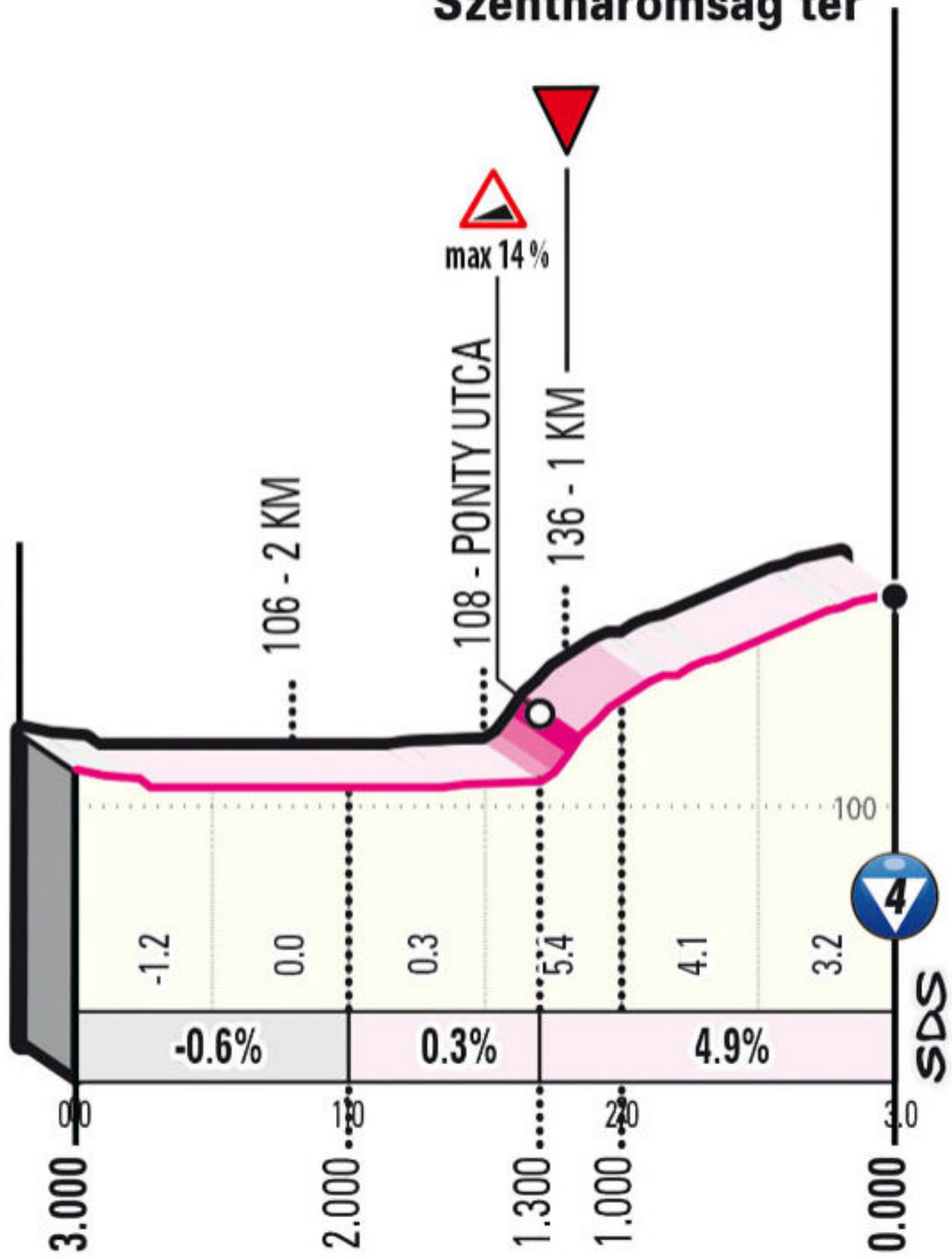
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Charlie in Tenn Yeah, I realized that after I said it. Rain would hurt anyone in it or after it. 05-07-2022 08:12:04 am



Charlie in Tenn The Dunkirk stage started at the Roubaix Velodrome this morning. 05-07-2022 08:13:15 am



Katie S Good morning, gents 05-07-2022 08:15:17 am



Tim in KY Hi, Katie. 05-07-2022 08:16:11 am



BusterSci I agree this doesn't look all that technical. Â No stop-start turns. Â Everyone taking these turns at speed. Â But the cobbles will be spooky if wet. Â Can a MvdP put full power in on that climb? 05-07-2022 08:17:21 am



Charlie in Tenn Hi Katie, Buster. 05-07-2022 08:18:24 am



Tim in KY Rain is out of the forecast for now. 05-07-2022 08:19:35 am



Charlie in Tenn I think they are timing from the intermediate time point to the finish for the KOM today. Heard something like that. 05-07-2022 08:19:45 am



Tim in KY IPT has a lot of riders at the bottom of the GC. 05-07-2022 08:20:08 am



Tim in KY Yes, Charlie. They are timing the climb for KOM points. 05-07-2022 08:20:38 am



Tim in KY Dowsett is ahead of Di Marchi by 5/100ths of a second. 05-07-2022 08:29:17 am



Tim in KY Chores briefly. 05-07-2022 08:30:37 am



Charlie in Tenn Craddock looks good in his US champ kit. 05-07-2022 08:33:34 am



BusterSci Craddock close, but in third. 05-07-2022 08:33:35 am



BusterSci I'd like to see a classier US champ kit. Â Calm it down a bit.

05-07-2022
08:34:23 am



Katie S The virtual standings show 00.00 behind Dowsett for both guysâ€¦. The difference is in the third decimal point

05-07-2022
08:35:18 am



Katie S Yeah, Busterâ€¦ we are not in an â€œletâ€™s be understatedâ€ phase in our countryâ€™s history, are we?

05-07-2022
08:36:23 am



BusterSci Italian champ kit usually gets it right. Â I like Belgium, too.

05-07-2022
08:37:07 am



Katie S Agreeâ€¦ especially Belgium

05-07-2022
08:38:09 am



BusterSci Have we ever been, Katie?

05-07-2022
08:38:15 am



Katie S We have not. I did have a Belgian pen pal in high school, though. I think we exchanged two letters.

05-07-2022
08:39:46 am



BusterSci We've had many "Leave us alone" phases, but even then when we do show up we do it splashily.

05-07-2022
08:39:57 am



BusterSci That's interesting. Â I never had a pen pal as a kid, but isn't that what we all kind of are here?

05-07-2022
08:40:31 am



Katie S I was just thinking that.

05-07-2022
08:40:54 am



Charlie in Tenn I actually have two pen pals now. Both are old friends that wanted to use funny postcards and envelops that they have accumulated. It is funny.

05-07-2022
08:42:23 am



Katie S Love that, Charlie

05-07-2022
08:43:05 am



Tim in KY Katie, Dowsett is ahead of Di Marchi by 5/100ths of a second.

05-07-2022
08:45:07 am



Tim in KY Di Marchi is ahead of Craddock by 12/100ths of a second.

05-07-2022
08:46:07 am



Charlie in Tenn Buster we will be in your area in July. We are going to Voyagers National Park. Renting a houseboat and floating around for 3 days. Then over to Michigan to visit Ilse Royale.

05-07-2022
08:46:23 am



Charlie in Tenn Kinda close at the top

05-07-2022
08:46:58 am



Charlie in Tenn National Parks are my wife's bucket list.

05-07-2022
08:48:23 am



Tim in KY Speaking of lakes, Buster, did you ever find a place?

05-07-2022
08:48:43 am



BusterSci That's cool, Charlie. We're headed up to Ely in a week. Are you headed to Isle Royale from Grand Portage, or from the Michigan side. It's actually a lot closer to MN, but it is MI territory.

05-07-2022
08:49:14 am



BusterSci Not yet, Tim. Made an offer on a place we really loved last fall but didn't get it. We'll look at a few more when we're up north the week of the 15th. Things are only starting to get active again up there--ice isn't even out yet. It's been a long winter.

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08:50:16 am



BusterSci And it really wasn't a severe winter, but April was about 10 degrees below normal, so things are freeing up very slowly.

05-07-2022
08:51:33 am



Tim in KY We had a cold winter and still having a cold spring.

05-07-2022
08:54:22 am



Katie S We're in a severe drought, but the temps have been cool. I think today's high will be 58-59. I typically plant my tomatoes in early April. Doing it today, and that might even seem too soon!

05-07-2022
08:57:40 am



BusterSci And bring warm clothes, Charlie. Voyageurs should be OK in July, but Gitchi Gumee never gets warm. If it's calm or winds from the SW you'll be fine. But expect 50s if winds whip up from elsewhere.

05-07-2022
08:59:05 am



BusterSci There were snowflakes last Tuesday (at 36 degrees). Predicted in the 90s this coming week.

05-07-2022
09:01:05 am



BusterSci van Emden on pace to take the lead

05-07-2022
09:01:30 am



Tim in KY He should have a big margin.

05-07-2022
09:02:39 am



BusterSci Had a gear issue there

05-07-2022
09:02:58 am



Katie S Off to the showers for Dowsett

05-07-2022
09:03:20 am



bikerabe Jos van Emden in 1st !

05-07-2022
09:03:34 am



Tim in KY 3.61 is big on a 9 km TT.

05-07-2022
09:03:50 am



BusterSci I don't know why, but I've never been able to warm to any of the Brit riders. Maybe because in interviews they can't say three words without interjecting a "yeah"

05-07-2022
09:04:31 am



BusterSci Okay, I like Cav.

05-07-2022
09:05:45 am



Tim in KY That building is a bit too gothic.

05-07-2022
09:05:52 am



BusterSci Isn't it kind of a requirement that if you're going to go gothic, you go too gothic?

05-07-2022
09:06:21 am



Katie S it's the very definition of gothic

05-07-2022
09:08:36 am



Tim in KY I need to be gone for a half hour or so.

05-07-2022
09:09:33 am



BusterSci Toodles.

05-07-2022
09:09:51 am



mmcally hello from AZ

05-07-2022
09:10:40 am



Katie S Hi, Mike!

05-07-2022
09:11:18 am



mmcally Hi Katie, Did you finish the sale on your dad's place?

05-07-2022
09:12:15 am



Mikey Good Morning

05-07-2022
09:14:12 am



BusterSci I'd like to see a geographic distribution of our membership.

05-07-2022
09:15:08 am



Katie S yes. It was dodgy there at the end. I can't remember if this happened pre- or post-le Tour, but someone stole 3 air conditioner condensers, which I had to replace before I could get it sold. Plus, had to get a buyer to assume the solar panel loan. In the end, the buyer was a disabled vet who is benefiting from all the assists my dad added to the house: the generator, the pool, the walk-in bathtub. I think the guy is in his 30s-40s (some googling indicates to me that he was permanently disabled in a motorcycle crash in Florida when he was a 19-year-old Navy guy) and has a wife and a couple kids. My dad would be glad he found this house.

05-07-2022
09:17:35 am



Charlie in Tenn Sounds good Katie.

05-07-2022
09:19:05 am



mmcally I'm glad it all worked out. There is a lot development in that area now that light rail is going in.

05-07-2022
09:19:06 am



BusterSci We've been considering a winter home in AZ, maybe with DS Dagies if we can find a "compound". Â But we joke instead of traveling in an RV like many, we'd buy a tanker truck so we could bring our own water.

05-07-2022
09:20:39 am



Charlie in Tenn Affini put up a great time. 9 sec ahead.

05-07-2022
09:21:43 am



BusterSci FWIW, that would be INSTEAD of a cabin, not in addition to.

05-07-2022
09:22:03 am



BusterSci I have him at 3 seconds

05-07-2022
09:22:44 am



mmcally If you do come, be prepared. This state is being run by some well let's just say not so ideal folks.

05-07-2022
09:22:56 am



BusterSci Oops, my bad. Â I was looking at first check

05-07-2022
09:23:12 am



Katie S Barry Goldwater would not be pleased, would he, Mike?

05-07-2022
09:23:42 am



Charlie in Tenn Happy Derby Day. Who is gonna win?

05-07-2022
09:27:25 am



mmcally Buster - was reading the archive yesterday. What happened with your GCN subscription? I had a few back and forth conversations with them as well on my subscription.

05-07-2022
09:27:27 am



Charlie in Tenn We need Tim and Joanna.

05-07-2022
09:27:39 am



bikerabe Kmna on the way He could do good Liked his effort to get away yesterday

05-07-2022
09:28:43 am



bikerabe Kamna

05-07-2022
09:28:54 am



Charlie in Tenn OK, I have to go. My wife is a sponsor for the Youth Pride fair today. That make me a common laborer for the day.

05-07-2022
09:29:10 am



Katie S I suspect one of Baffert's guy's horses ... Yakteen the trainer.

05-07-2022
09:29:42 am



BusterSci I put horse racing in the same category as UFC. Â Just don't care. Â Used to, but it's just a drug fest.

05-07-2022
09:30:23 am



bikerabe Will Barta on course US rider

05-07-2022
09:30:58 am



Katie S yes, to wit, my suggestion that one of Baffert's horses will take it (whether or not Baffert is banned)

05-07-2022
09:31:00 am



BusterSci Mike, for some reason they said they couldn't charge my card--but it was the same card as last year. When I contacted them they just said "That deal is no longer available but we're glad youre signing up." Â I tried explaining multiple times but got the same BS pretend you don't understand. Â So TIZ it is.

05-07-2022
09:32:07 am



Katie S OK, i think a time cut for an ITT is just stoopid

05-07-2022
09:32:14 am



BusterSci Totally agree.

05-07-2022
09:32:24 am



BusterSci Also for 1-day races.

05-07-2022
09:32:38 am



BusterSci Although...if you can't make the cut do you really belong in the second biggest stage race of the year? Â Give a pass for mechanicals and even crashes, perhaps.

05-07-2022
09:34:07 am



mmcally I had a similar experience, Buster. My card I had used to sign up was expired and there was no way to update the new one. So they said to resubscribe after my initial subscription expired. And that of course changed the price.

05-07-2022
09:34:54 am



BusterSci yup.

05-07-2022
09:37:43 am



BusterSci Kamna coming in hot

05-07-2022
09:38:46 am



BusterSci Lead by 2s

05-07-2022
09:39:05 am



Katie S Affini is a-finished

05-07-2022
09:39:09 am



bikerabe Kamna does it 12:07

05-07-2022
09:39:16 am



BusterSci Bayer crashes

05-07-2022
09:42:37 am



BusterSci He'll need some of his namesake products tonight.

05-07-2022
09:42:52 am



Tim in KY I've pretty much given up on horse racing. Only thing I know about today is that is will be wet. And cold.

05-07-2022
09:46:42 am



Katie S there will be a lot of limp hats and dresses, I imagine

05-07-2022
09:48:36 am



Tim in KY Caleb looks okay.

05-07-2022
09:51:27 am



BusterSci Frau just started laughing from the other room. Â I went to see what it was. Â WE have a picture of ourselves taken by her Dad when we were in France, and it was aglow like it was lit up. Â We realized that the sun was hitting the glass cover of the thermometer on the grill on the deck and the reflection was perfectly on the photo 30 feet away. Â Very neat.

05-07-2022
09:52:03 am



Katie S that bandage on his left leg is substantial, unless that's where they put his race radio...

05-07-2022
09:52:14 am



Katie S That sounds like a miracle, Buster

05-07-2022
09:53:39 am



BusterSci Next I'm going to look for our image in a piece of toast.

05-07-2022
09:54:08 am



BusterSci Sutterlin with a shot, it appears

05-07-2022
09:55:20 am



Tim in KY There are a lot of WT team riders in this race of whom I have never heard. Sutterlin being one of them.

05-07-2022
09:56:05 am



BusterSci Really? Â I agree on the first, but Sutterlin has been around

05-07-2022
09:56:30 am



BusterSci Movistar originally. Â The a couple years with Sunweb.

05-07-2022
09:57:27 am



BusterSci Main Tiz stream just got blocked

05-07-2022
09:58:49 am



mmcally I saw an add that Bein Sports was showing the Giro again. Looking around their site it appears the last few hours are available on their Connect platform if anyone is looking for other viewing options.

05-07-2022
09:59:02 am



Mikey I have Bein sports and have not seen anything. Maybe delayed? Watching RAI with the VPN

05-07-2022
10:03:37 am



BusterSci What VPN do you use, Mikey?

05-07-2022
10:04:03 am



Mikey ExpressVPN

05-07-2022
10:04:24 am



BusterSci I was using PIA and I let it expire. Â Going to try Express

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10:05:01 am



mmcally Here is the link to Bein Sports Connect.
<https://connect.beinsports.com/us/channels>

05-07-2022
10:06:02 am



Mikey It slows the connection down but I have not had any issues. Works slick so far. I had been watching the Australian feed on SBS but it comes with sign in baggage

05-07-2022
10:06:18 am



mmcally It's the online platform. Not through the normal TV channel. It's their version of ESPN +.

05-07-2022
10:06:46 am



mmcally Buster I have Nord VPN and it also works well.

05-07-2022
10:07:24 am



Mikey Got it! I'll check it out. My son uses our Bein account to watch soccer that way on his phone.

05-07-2022
10:07:53 am



mmcally I do as well, Mikey. I watch a lot of the French soccer on there.

05-07-2022
10:08:45 am



Mikey He's huge on Real Madrid and doesn't miss a game.

05-07-2022
10:09:35 am



Mikey I am such a dork. I have RAI in a reduced window the nuts on a full screen and procycling stats on the laptop. No I'm working on Bein sports on the phone app.

05-07-2022
10:12:07 am



mmcally I'm a PSG fan ... so you can tell your son thanks for breaking my heart. Again.Â :)

05-07-2022
10:12:09 am



Katie S Proud of you, Mikey!

05-07-2022
10:13:45 am



Katie S I'm gonna go be a birdwatching dork ... there are baby Peregrines I want to go find ... while the light is good and the tourists aren't here yet. See you all tomorrow.

05-07-2022
10:14:42 am



BusterSci Mikey, I'm out dorking you. Â I have the race in a window, the Pub in another, texting my brother in a third, clarifying issues with my AirBNB host in a 4th, and catching up on Ukraine issues on my laptop.

05-07-2022
10:14:52 am



Mikey You win Buster! I did get Bein on the phone to work too! Nice to hear a language I understand

05-07-2022
10:17:35 am



BusterSci How many seconds does MAL lose today?

05-07-2022
10:18:48 am



Mikey Have to say that I am too focused on the starters smashed finger nail

05-07-2022
10:20:20 am



BusterSci Tiz feeds very sketchy right now.

05-07-2022
10:22:59 am



Mikey Maybe because RAI went dark for a minute

05-07-2022
10:23:30 am



Mikey Went to color bars only

05-07-2022
10:24:18 am



BusterSci Foss on the road.

05-07-2022
10:25:30 am



BusterSci Porte could have a good ride today. Â he's a good TTer and a finishing climb like this plays to strengths

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10:28:25 am



BusterSci Attila the Hun on the ramp

05-07-2022
10:28:34 am



BusterSci Sobrero take 5 seconds out!

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10:32:12 am



BusterSci Doom is on the road

05-07-2022
10:32:40 am



BusterSci Ok. Â I'm headed out as soon as Doom finishes

05-07-2022
10:38:14 am



Tim in KY Doom does it.

05-07-2022
10:43:54 am



BusterSci PCS has Yates at better than Doom at the check. Â I don't buy it.

05-07-2022
10:44:14 am



BusterSci Yeah, they have him by 5 seconds over Doom at the finish.
Â Wow.

05-07-2022
10:44:39 am



Mikey Yates! Go figure

05-07-2022
10:45:00 am



BusterSci My goodness!

05-07-2022
10:45:05 am



Tim in KY As of now my VG team is 1-2.

05-07-2022
10:45:31 am



Tim in KY Bardet does better than expected.

05-07-2022
10:47:19 am



Tim in KY Nibbles in the top 10.

05-07-2022
10:48:02 am



Tim in KY Almeida only 10th.

05-07-2022
10:55:05 am



Tim in KY Or 9th.

05-07-2022
10:55:25 am



Tim in KY Van der Poel on the road.

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10:55:44 am



Tim in KY Carapaz not doing very well. 16th/ 0:27.

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11:03:08 am



Tim in KY Van der Poel 3rd at the bottom of the climb.

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11:05:37 am



Tim in KY Girmay is not a TTer. 57th.

05-07-2022
11:07:19 am



Tim in KY Van der Poel 2nd.

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11:07:43 am



Tim in KY Yates, Van der Poel, Doom.

05-07-2022
11:08:23 am



Tim in KY Van der Poel, Yates, Doom on GC.

05-07-2022
11:11:26 am



SFinAus Thanks all. I hope I can participate some tomorrow, but will likely be occupied with MD prep. Nice to see you all here.

05-07-2022
11:11:27 am



Mikey Ba

05-07-2022
11:12:16 am



bikerabe tomorrow flat 201 km rolling rest day for gC teams?

05-07-2022
11:18:52 am
