



**Tim in KY** TdF Stage 1 is 185 kilometers starting and finishing in Lille. The route is a big loop to the west near the Belgian border.

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**Tim in KY** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1751640569-1751640269880.jpeg>

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**Tim in KY** The profile is a bit lumpy with three of the lumps rated Cat 4. The last of those crests 40 kilometers from the finish.

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10:45:18 am



**Tim in KY** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1751640626-TdF%20Stage%201%20Profile.jpg>

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**Tim in KY** Kilometer zero is scheduled for 13:40 CEST after a thirty-minute neutral ride. Finish is imagined either side of 17:45. Forecast is for clouds in the mid-20s. There is the possibility of rain towards the finish.

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**RCG** I have a virtual friend in Belgium who lives 10 km from Lille / 5 km from the border. He visited the Roubaix velodrome with some Dutch friends today and may have some MOTS-ish photos tomorrow. :-)

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05:25:22 pm



**David Stanley** Well, I'm all in with Peacock this season. Anyone using a VPN to get the European coverage?

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07:58:30 pm



**Rocket City Gal** I'm not crazy about the Peacock talking heads this morning. Teejay and company.

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06:48:01 am



**Rocket City Gal** The good news is that I finally was able to successfully reset my RumbleTalk password so I have a non-green head avatar once again.

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06:49:32 am



**Rocket City Gal** I think the other two Peacock pre-race talking heads are Brent Bookwalter and Paul Burmeister.

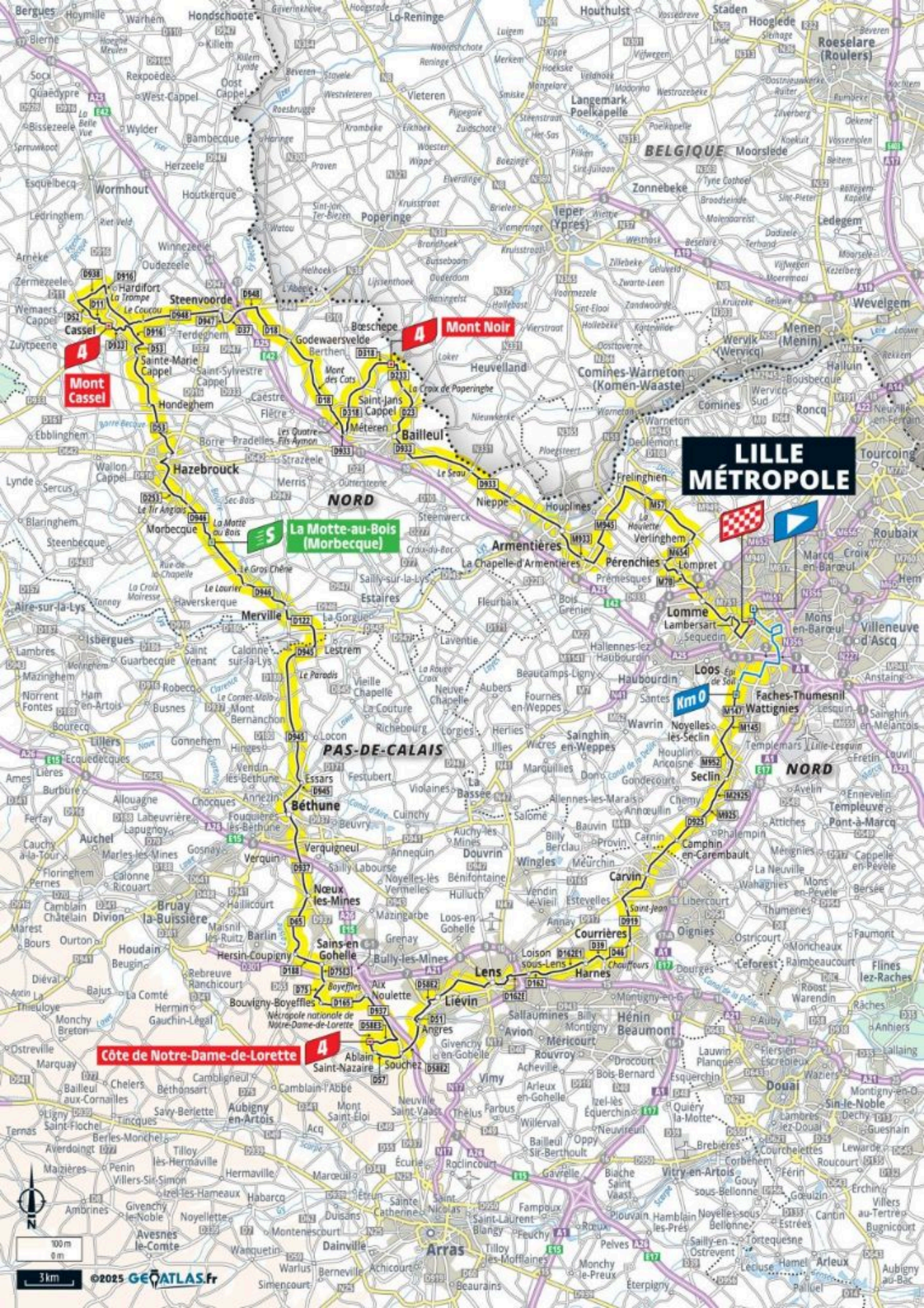
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**BusterSci** Never been a Burmeister fan for cycling, but Tejay and Bookwalter started rough and got pretty good last year. Or at least not offensive.

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# LILLE MÉTROPOLÉ

41 m



165 m

Côte de Notre-Dame-de-Lorette  
(1 km à 7,6%)



144 m

Mont Cassel  
(1,9 km à 3,5%)

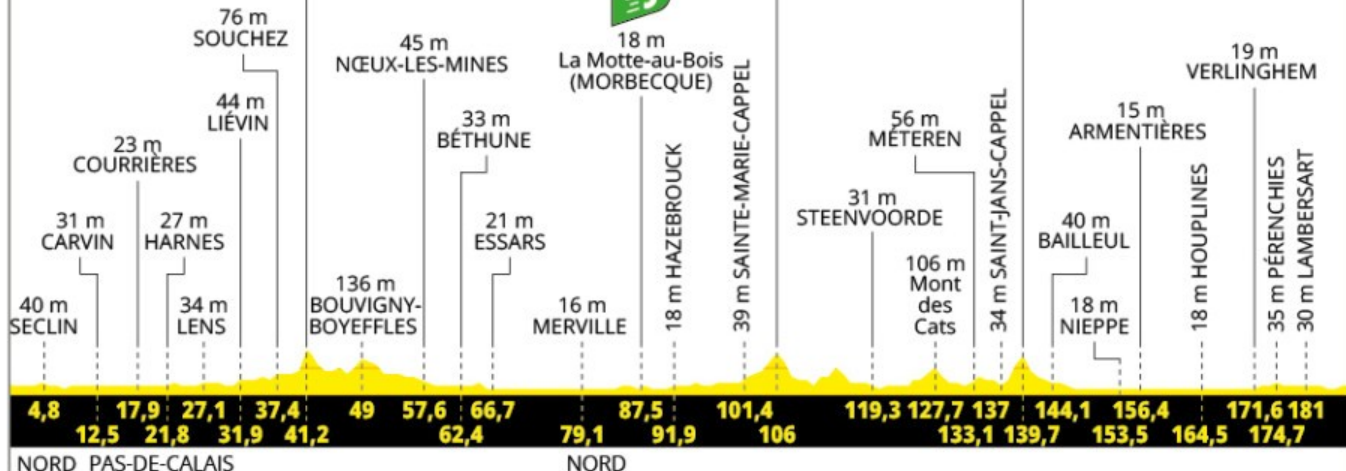


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Mont Noir  
(1,3 km à 6,4%)



27 m



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184,9 km



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Thank you,

Jo



**Tim in KY** Km 0 isn't for 50 more minutes. There can't be that much to talk about on Peacock. Going to do some stuff elsewhere until 13:40.

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06:54:42 am



**BusterSci** Just imagining a sports pre-event show stopping because there wasn't that much to talk about. It would be contrary to their very nature.

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07:10:47 am



**Joanna in Virginia** Mornin'!

07-05-2025  
07:17:09 am



**Tim in KY** Hi, Jo.

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07:18:22 am



**Tim in KY** Dignitaries and a band.

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07:19:16 am



**Tim in KY** I don't think they'll be starting at 13:40.

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07:23:10 am



**Rocket City Gal** The first 30 minutes or so is a neutralized start.

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07:31:57 am



**Tim in KY** They still have 4km of neutral.

07-05-2025  
07:32:56 am



**Rocket City Gal** Jo, I am loving the pictures of the beautiful /handsome/stunning Artie offspring.

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07:32:59 am



**Tim in KY** Phil's voice is so raspy I can barely understand him.

07-05-2025  
07:35:17 am



**Joanna in Virginia** Thank you! I am happy to be getting some videos and photos from the breeders and owners.

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07:35:38 am



**Tim in KY** Windy start.

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07:40:49 am



**Tim in KY** Typical flat stage start. Easy break.

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07:41:51 am



**Rocket City Gal** Today's big risk will be a wind-related split that wreaks havoc with the GC teams and sprinters' teams. We'll be seeing echelons.

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07:44:21 am



**Rocket City Gal** BREAKAWAY 146. RUTSCH Jonas 2136. LE BERRE Mathis 3152. ARMIRAIL Bruno 4167. THOMAS Benjamin 5188. VERCHER Mattéo PELOTON at 1:35 and the gap is climbing

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07:47:56 am



**bikerabe** 4 of 5 in break are French

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07:48:34 am



**Rocket City Gal** The first week is a little strange in that there is no mountain stage. Sprint stages alternate with punchy stages, with a fairly long, fairly flat ITT on stage 5.

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07:52:23 am



**BusterSci** From a prior era

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07:54:05 am



**Trish in MA** Good morning all! Maybe with this first week it won't be the POG show. I'm about to get up and turn on the TV

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07:57:29 am



**Tim in KY** Phil keeps talking KM, Roll talks miles.

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07:58:01 am



**Tim in KY** Quinn minding the gap.

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07:58:40 am



**David Stanley** Sir Brad does a fine voiceover for The Feed! and good day and good Tour to all.!

07-05-2025  
08:00:40 am



**Tim in KY** Hi, DStan.

07-05-2025  
08:02:25 am



**BusterSci** For stages like this (and many other things) Windy is a great site. Not only a weather site, but also gives incredible amounts of climate data, webcam links, etc. But the basic function, a visual look at area wind speeds and directions/flows, is very helpful.

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08:02:32 am



**David Stanley** Hey, Tim.

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08:02:49 am



**Rocket City Gal** This is a somewhat unusual tour in that every bit of every stage will be ridden within France. 2020 was entirely in France (in late August, delayed b/c of COVID) 2021 was also altered because of COVID; while it started in Nice rather than Denmark as originally scheduled, they did cross into Andorra during the 2nd week for a few days including a rest day. 2022 started in Denmark, 2023 in Spain and 2024 in Italy.

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**Joanna in Virginia** <https://rumbletalk-images->

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**BusterSci** 2013 was also entirely in France while also including Corsica for the first time, which isn't mainland France.

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**David Stanley** At 7:45 am, my neighborhood smelled like a rifle range two days before deer season opens. Did we all survive with fingers and toes intact?

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**Tim in KY** I just noticed on the map that they go through Armentieres today. Anybody else know that WW1 song?

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08:13:02 am

**David Stanley** I remember the big crash in Armentieres when either Abdu or Nelissen hit a gendarme who stepped out to far to take a pic for a fan. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_h5k1Zu9O4k](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_h5k1Zu9O4k)

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**BusterSci** 2011 didn't have a big climb until Stage 12, so kinda like this year. 1991 started so flat that after stage 11, first place was Greg LeMond, Third was Miguel Induráin, and tucked in between them was noted GC contender Djamolidine Abdoujaparov. Factoids courtesy of Cillian Kelly

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**BusterSci** That's "inky pinky parlez vous" isn't it Tim?

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08:18:00 am

**Tim in KY** Indeed, Buster.

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**Tim in KY** It's weird, in that video, how many gendarmes are inside the barriers.

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08:24:20 am

**Tim in KY** Jeez there's a lot of commercials.

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08:26:58 am

**BusterSci** I miss the commercial free Aussie feed so much.

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08:29:47 am

**David Stanley** Is it too early to say I'm tired of Phil's barely audible mumbling?

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08:32:39 am



**BusterSci** I think I'd take Aussie comms team with US commercials over US team with no commercials.

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08:32:43 am



**Tim in KY** Was was tired of it from the get-go, DStan.

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08:34:21 am



**Tim in KY** My wife is back from the farmers market with the tomatoes. Time to make the gazpacho.

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08:35:01 am



**BusterSci** Frau just heading off to the market.

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08:35:28 am



**David Stanley** Mmm, fresh gazpacho.

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08:35:47 am



**Katie S** Bonjour!

07-05-2025  
08:37:29 am



**Joanna in Virginia** Bonjour!

07-05-2025  
08:38:11 am



**bikerabe** Ben Thomas gers single KOM polnt going for 1st polka dot jersey

07-05-2025  
08:40:29 am



**David Stanley** rare for an ex-trackie to take the polka dots, eh BikerAbe

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08:41:03 am



**Rocket City Gal** Our tomatoes have had too little sun and too much rain. The same fruit has been hanging on the plants for over a month and a half, and has only just started to ripen. No new blooms developing, so I think this will be it for the 'maters. I was able to score a lovely watermelon for a watermelon/cucumber/mint fruit salad (with feta cheese, olive oil and balsamic vinegar) and some fresh rhubarb at the store yesterday.

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**Rocket City Gal** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1751719618-1751719318161.jpeg>

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**Rocket City Gal** The disposition of the rhubarb (and some fresh strawberries I had).

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08:42:31 am



**Katie S** Yum!

07-05-2025  
08:44:23 am







**Charlie in Tenn** Charlie in Canada checking in.

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08:44:49 am



**bikerabe** I grew up on rhubarb pie and have never liked it

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08:45:03 am



**Joanna in Virginia** Canada, eh?

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08:46:02 am



**Rocket City Gal** Here is the recipe for the watermelon salad. A yummy treat on a hot day. I used balsamic vinegar instead of red wine vinegar.

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<https://www.delish.com/cooking/recipe-ideas/a5739/watermelon-salad-feta-mint-recipe/>



**Katie S** Charlie!

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08:48:36 am



**Katie S** Last

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08:48:38 am



**Rocket City Gal** Hey Charlie! You are in C eh N eh D eh?

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08:49:45 am



**David Stanley** I love rhubarb pie. Hey, Charlie!

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08:53:36 am



**bikerabe** crash with Fillipo Ganna

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08:54:39 am



**Mikey** Good Morning!

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08:55:13 am



**Rocket City Gal** And G Martin. Ganna hit the deck pretty hard. He's up and riding but he's way, way behind the peloton now.

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08:56:19 am



**Mikey** VPN working! Hooked up well this time around. SBS from Australia

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08:56:47 am



**Charlie in Tenn** I have no idea how to pronounce it. We are in Niagara Falls. So we are still on the vacation that included the lugnut meetup in Boston on June 5th. We leave for Cincinnati in about an hour. There were tons of fireworks over in the US last night but we just hung out near the falls and watched the

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08:57:18 am



regular 10-15 minutes of fireworks on the Canada side. The music was entirely USA based.



**bikerabe** Bisseger crashed

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08:58:30 am



**David Stanley** medical team quick on the spot to do the concussion eval on Bisseger.

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08:58:49 am



**Rocket City Gal** Nys ? Mechanical

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08:59:11 am



**Rocket City Gal** This break isn't getting much of a leash

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09:01:04 am



**Trish in MA** We had 3 varieties of rhubarb pie at our picnic yesterday. Traditional 2-crust rhubarb, my Mom's rhubarb with a cream-based filling, and a strawberry-rhubarb. Very different tastes, but no one picked an overall winner. I love rhubarb.

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09:02:13 am



**David Stanley** Trish, I could never judge a rhubarb pie comp for the same reason. I'd just be eating all the pie.

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09:03:26 am



**Rocket City Gal** Can't grow it here, Trish. Had it year-round in the garden when I was growing up. I did the 2-crust rhubarb pie but put my strawberries between / layers of rhubarb.

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**Katie S** We didn't have an excess of fireworks this year, just about an hour of random booms. But we had an unusual visitor at our backyard barbecue

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**Katie S** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1751720981-1751720681487.jpeg>

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**Katie S** Apparently still vying to be our national bird

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09:05:30 am



**Rocket City Gal** There were tons of the (not legal in town) fireworks here for a couple of hours last night. The cats were freaked out.

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09:05:33 am



**Rocket City Gal** He wanted to gobble gobble like the rest of y'all

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09:06:11 am







**Trish in MA** Well, I guess that's appropriate for the 4th. I so often see the turkeys just walking around, you get amaze when you see them flying or up in trees.

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09:06:26 am



**BusterSci** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1751721127-1751720827765.jpeg>

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**Joanna in Virginia** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1751721134-1751720834451.jpeg>

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**BusterSci** We had uninteresting guest wanting to visit recently

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**Katie S** Awwwww!

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09:07:48 am



**BusterSci** Jo and I hit send at almost the same time

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09:07:54 am



**Joanna in Virginia** I made double chocolate espresso cake for yesterday's celebrations.

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09:07:55 am



**Trish in MA** I will say that I personally prefer my Mom's recipe. I've never liked cooked strawberries and found the two-crust rhubarb a bit watery.

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09:08:06 am



**Katie S** are your guests still awake?

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09:08:15 am



**Joanna in Virginia** Penguin/Pony Sync.

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09:08:16 am



**Joanna in Virginia** Yes, Katie. And still full...

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09:09:15 am



**David Stanley** deer. Turkey. cake.

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09:09:50 am



**Carlene in NH** Mmm, Jo, that cake looks outstanding!!

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09:12:41 am











**Joanna in Virginia** Thanks Carlene - it is pretty yummy.

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09:13:37 am



**Carlene in NH** As an interested bystander, I rated Trish's rhubarb pie #1 out of the three.

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09:13:39 am



**Tim in KY** Bissenger and O'Ganna crashed because they're on my VG teams.

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09:15:44 am



**Mikey** Wow Tim Nicely done That usually how it works for me.... But its early

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09:16:29 am



**Carlene in NH** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1751721728-1751721428657.jpeg>

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**Tim in KY** Gazpacho chilling.

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09:17:38 am



**Rocket City Gal** [https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1751721756-IMG\\_8198.jpeg](https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1751721756-IMG_8198.jpeg)

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09:17:38 am



**Carlene in NH** No sling!!! Just got it off on Tuesday!

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09:17:44 am



**Katie S** Wow! Free from encumbrances!

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09:17:54 am



**Katie S** What is that!?

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09:18:39 am



**Carlene in NH** And that's about how much range of motion I have right now

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09:18:46 am



**Katie S** good start

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09:19:23 am



**Trish in MA** RCG, is that a bear?

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09:19:25 am



**Trish in MA** We checked our animal cam a couple of weeks ago, In a month of pictures, we saw the same squirrel running to our bird feeder

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09:21:02 am









every morning at 4:30. Once, it came right up to the camera and we got one of those classic animal Kilroy shots. Out of 1700 pictures, we kept 3.



**BusterSci** [https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1751721968-IMG\\_0691.jpeg](https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1751721968-IMG_0691.jpeg)

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**BusterSci** Us too. On our walk up in Ely this spring.

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**Rocket City Gal** Yay! Have you started PT yet, Carlene? I remember starting with just trying to raise a broomstick overhead, and my body said "nope." The therapist could passively raise my arm, but I couldn't raise it on my own at first. It was strange.

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09:21:58 am



**Tim in KY** People usually think of gazpacho as tomatoes but it goes back to Roman Iberia a thousand years before there were tomatoes in Europe. Originally it was just stale bread, garlic, salt, vinegar and olive oil. So if it doesn't have at least those five things it ain't gazpacho.

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09:22:17 am



**BusterSci** My brother has gotten photos of both wolves and cougars carrying fawns with his trail cams on his WI hunting property.

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09:22:22 am



**Rocket City Gal** Yes Trish, that is a bear.

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09:23:08 am



**Trish in MA** I've seen white gazpacho made with grapes - also dating back to Roman times.

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09:23:13 am



**Tim in KY** Why are they catching the break?

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09:23:24 am



**Katie S** boredom?

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09:23:39 am



**Trish in MA** Winds?

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09:23:52 am



**David Stanley** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1751722131-Deer%20in%20Willie's%20front%20yard%207-18-22.PNG>

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**Carlene in NH** I started with passive PT a few weeks ago. I'm doing pulleys, and now I have the stick/cane. Very gradual this week, just one set of 10 once a day.

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09:24:18 am



**Trish in MA** Looks like winds.

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09:24:27 am



**Tim in KY** WHF OTB.

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09:24:46 am



**David Stanley** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1751722131-1751721963173.jpeg>

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09:26:01 am



**Trish in MA** Nope. I guess sprint point coming up

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**Joanna in Virginia** NRRBBB - Due to how busy I have been, and in consultation with my accountant, I have incorporated. I was incorporated before when I ran my business in California, but after (cough, cough) retiring after our move to New York, closed it down. Well, it took much longer than anticipated, but I am officially Cheval Gris, Ltd. I have spent the better part of two weeks banging my head against the wall with banking issues and developing connections to Quickbooks and Venmo, etc. Chase was happy to set up my business banking account, but every time I try to use it, I get locked out and have to spend 30 minutes on the phone with them. Of course, once they lock me out, they kill all the connections I have spent days connecting and verifying which I then have to redo. I appreciate the security, but may I please use the account you let me establish? Is that too much to ask? LOL!

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09:26:49 am



**Rocket City Gal** Well, Armirail won't be getting me breakaway points after all.....

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09:27:15 am



**David Stanley** frick, J

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09:27:16 am



**Rocket City Gal** Cheval Gris — good one! I hope the banking issues get resolved. Very frustrating.

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09:29:45 am



**Katie S** I bet you never imagined the biz headaches you would eventually have when you fell in love with horses as a little girl

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09:29:47 am



**Tim in KY** Lots of bisons being handed out.

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09:29:54 am



**Joanna in Virginia** As a counterpart, my 40+ year relationship with AMEX allowed me to open a Business Credit Card in 48 hours. Which makes the comparison to Chase (where we have had virtually all our accounts for decades as well) even more stark.

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09:32:15 am



**Rocket City Gal** On the tie dye FB pages, people intermittently chime in and ask, what does it take to start a small business? The answer is always, there are a lot of hoops to jump through. Fortunately in our state they actually have a 2 day workshop to walk potential small business owners through everything they need to do as far as state regulations/licenses/taxes. That's only a part of it, but it was very helpful.

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**Katie S** Milan gets his first TdF points

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09:35:02 am



**Rocket City Gal** Milan gets the first intermediate sprint points

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09:35:21 am



**Joanna in Virginia** Thank you Katie C for your generous donation to the Tip Jar!

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09:36:11 am



**PasadenaK8** 🙌 Thank YOU!, Jo.

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09:36:40 am



**Joanna in Virginia** Happy Birthday DStan!!

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09:38:48 am



**David Stanley** Thanks, Jo. 67 feckin' rocks!

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09:42:02 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Dstan I will verify that statement next week. Happy Birthday.

07-05-2025  
09:45:01 am



**David Stanley** And an early HBD, Charlie. I'm excited. Dstan in his 60s is getting lots of cool stuff done.

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09:48:09 am



**PasadenaK8** Missing my Giro commercial free, single feed, with a quad-feed overlay. (Le sigh)

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09:52:49 am



**David Stanley** I was chatting with someone on twitter who pays for Peacock Premium, and yes, they get commercials, too.

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**PasadenaK8** Yep, they hide that in the "fine print".

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**Tim in KY** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1751724006-Gazpacho.doc>

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**Tim in KY** Cobbled climb.

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09:57:04 am



**Katie S** I even tried going to the app on my iPad, different ads, not as many but "coverage will resume shortly" ... this is excessive

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09:57:05 am



**Joanna in Virginia** Seeing all the deer photos reminded me of a Christmastime visit of our neighborhood deer family checking out our lighted reindeer decorations.

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**Joanna in Virginia** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1751724203-1751723903424.jpeg>

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**Katie S** Man, these dudes are lit!

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09:59:01 am



**PasadenaK8** bUmPiTyBuMp... Thanks for the recipe, Tim! Looks delish and easy to make. Chop, whirl & chill.

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09:59:50 am



**PasadenaK8** Ruh, roh

07-05-2025  
10:00:33 am



**David Stanley** I'll be back in a bit. Need to run to the store with Cath.If not, Holy SHIT!! WHAT DID I JUST SEE?

07-05-2025  
10:00:52 am



**Tim in KY** That was weird.

07-05-2025  
10:01:14 am



**David Stanley** Yellow card for Thomas,

07-05-2025  
10:01:16 am



**bikerabe** DCrash at the KOM !

07-05-2025  
10:01:33 am

# Gazpacho

2 pounds fresh tomatoes, cored and chopped

1 purple onion, chopped

1 cucumber, peeled, seeded and chopped

2 slices day old bread

3 cloves of garlic

2 limes, juiced

½ cup olive oil

2 tablespoons of sherry vinegar

½ tablespoon coarse salt

½ tablespoon ground cumin

1. → Puree the vegetables and bread in a blender

2. → Add the liquid ingredients and seasonings to the blender. Mix well.

3. → Cover and chill for 4 hours or overnight.









**David Stanley** First Thomas takes him into the barricade and then he fails to properly control his bike. Maybe the latter is excusable but not the former.

07-05-2025  
10:02:37 am



**Tim in KY** Thomas got the KOM point.

07-05-2025  
10:05:39 am



**Tim in KY** Now, that's field art!

07-05-2025  
10:06:38 am



**Tim in KY** BTW, the front two hit the KOM line right on the imagined time.

07-05-2025  
10:07:38 am



**PasadenaK8** Well, at least there's that.

07-05-2025  
10:08:06 am



**Joanna in Virginia** Emphasis on "hit".

07-05-2025  
10:08:39 am



**Katie S** Did the race start later than usual? It seems like a later than usual finish... or am I imagining things again?

07-05-2025  
10:12:03 am



**Katie S** O'Ganna abandons

07-05-2025  
10:12:29 am



**PasadenaK8** It started at 4am (PDT), but there was a lot of ceremonial hoopla, so actual racing started about 30-40 mins after that.

07-05-2025  
10:13:51 am



**Joanna in Virginia** Geez, one team member down and not even finished with Stage 1. Ouch.

07-05-2025  
10:14:05 am



**Tim in KY** They had some sort of ceremony in the neutral, Katie and hit Km0 later than usual for a 185 km race. Imagined finish time is a very en retard 17:48.

07-05-2025  
10:14:24 am



**Katie S** merci!

07-05-2025  
10:15:02 am



**Katie S** was that Cyclops?

07-05-2025  
10:19:43 am



**Charlie in Tenn** OK, shutting down the computer. Charlie in OHIO will check in tomorrow. Everyone have a great day.

07-05-2025  
10:20:37 am



**Katie S** you too!

07-05-2025  
10:22:29 am



**Katie S** wait, was that Kittel winning the e-bike race? Or was that an old clip?

07-05-2025  
10:24:26 am



**Tim in KY** The latter, Katie.

07-05-2025  
10:24:44 am



**Rocket City Gal** I think I read that Kittel won in Lille once upon a Tour

07-05-2025  
10:26:31 am



**Rocket City Gal** (2014)

07-05-2025  
10:27:37 am



**Rocket City Gal** So maybe that's why they're showing that clip.

07-05-2025  
10:27:47 am



**Rocket City Gal** Not that many Tours start with a bona fide sprint stage.

07-05-2025  
10:28:16 am



**Katie S** Phew, cuz my eyes were in mid-eyeroll waiting to see if that was an e-bike thing

07-05-2025  
10:29:30 am



**PasadenaK8** fyi... If you're into geological factoids, meet "La Geologie: Tour de France 2025". (Et oui, it's all in French., but we've always got the translators...) They follow the TdF 2025 route, and you can download one big pdf for the entire route, or a single one for each stage.  
<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/ec90d1210e744a95a22140b7956bdb33>

07-05-2025  
10:31:31 am



**Mikey** NRRBBB We returned from our trip to Poland and Czech Republic. Wish I could talk with Mons. So so so much and there was Wondka

07-05-2025  
10:35:33 am



**Joanna in Virginia** While we are sharing critter photos, just got this one from the barn...

07-05-2025  
10:36:18 am



**Joanna in Virginia** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1751726487-1751726187473.jpeg>

07-05-2025  
10:36:28 am

**Joanna in Virginia** :S-

07-05-2025  
10:36:38 am







**BusterSci** Hey, hey, Boo-Boo!

07-05-2025  
10:36:59 am



**PasadenaK8** aka lost member from Team Picnic.

07-05-2025  
10:37:47 am



**PasadenaK8** (that was weird... double post)

07-05-2025  
10:38:20 am



**Mikey** I got several history lessons along the way. Forgot that there was no Poland for over 100 years and that the fall of Communism was less than 50 years ago.

07-05-2025  
10:39:04 am



**KimC** Good morning all and happy birthday DStan!!

07-05-2025  
10:40:07 am



**KimC** Mikey- "there was no Poland for over a hundred years" makes me wish also for a short essay from Mons too!

07-05-2025  
10:41:24 am



**PasadenaK8** Lech Wałęsa! Only 47 when he became president of Poland.

07-05-2025  
10:41:35 am



**Tim in KY** That doesn't look like a safe crowd.

07-05-2025  
10:43:18 am



**Mikey** Poles have had a long up and down history with Ukraine. Most folks consider Ukrainians the same as Russians

07-05-2025  
10:43:47 am



**Mikey** Not fond

07-05-2025  
10:44:03 am



**Tim in KY** What does Jonas want with one KOM point?

07-05-2025  
10:45:01 am



**Mikey** Another abandon?

07-05-2025  
10:45:35 am



**Katie S** He's afraid he might miss out on the big prize?

07-05-2025  
10:45:42 am



**bikerabe** good on Jonas btaking Kom points

07-05-2025  
10:46:07 am

**Tim in KY** Bissiger abandoned07-05-2025  
10:46:08 am**Mikey** Bissiger bissed ?07-05-2025  
10:46:38 am**PasadenaK8** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1751727142-1751726842258.jpeg>07-05-2025  
10:47:23 am**PasadenaK8** In my area, we see a lot of "Pool Bears" this time of year.07-05-2025  
10:47:26 am**Katie S** Where?07-05-2025  
10:47:54 am**Mikey** At Pope John Paul II church they have the cassock he was wearing when shot complete with bullet holes and blood stains07-05-2025  
10:48:01 am**PasadenaK8** Pasadena/Altadena07-05-2025  
10:48:12 am**Tim in KY** I've never seen a bear in Pasadena.07-05-2025  
10:48:47 am**Katie S** Seriously? I had no idea. Figured you must have gone up to the mountains!07-05-2025  
10:48:59 am**PasadenaK8** We get 'em. Especially now, after the fire.07-05-2025  
10:49:22 am**Tim in KY** Still on the imagined time.07-05-2025  
10:50:02 am**Tim in KY** Wind.07-05-2025  
11:16:33 am**BusterSci** Mikey, I'd be careful with the take on Poles and Ukrainians.07-05-2025  
11:16:35 am

It depends on the region of Poland, rural vs urban, etc. Also to some degree the region of Ukraine. But there is little question that the war has shifted Polish sentiment negatively toward Ukrainians, because so many refugees have settled in Poland, and the need to ship Ukrainian agricultural products through Poland has really depressed prices for polish farmers.







**SFinAus** Howdy and greetings to all. Great to see you all and have the Tour underway. Unfortunately due to travel and planned activities I'll miss most of the first week. :(.

07-05-2025  
11:16:35 am



**Mikey** Crash

07-05-2025  
11:16:35 am



**BusterSci** Maybe I should rephrase that. "...depressed the prices polish farmers can get for their crops" would be better. As far as I know Polish farmers don't cost any less than they used to.

07-05-2025  
11:16:36 am



**Mikey** No biggie

07-05-2025  
11:16:37 am



**Mikey** Except for whatever was wrapped in his chain

07-05-2025  
11:16:39 am



**Mikey** Not a good time for a mechanical Like there is a good time

07-05-2025  
11:16:41 am



**Mikey** Split

07-05-2025  
11:16:42 am



**Joanna in Virginia** Echelons.

07-05-2025  
11:18:27 am



**Mikey** It's more about past history I thought. There are mass graves of Poles near the border.

07-05-2025  
11:18:29 am



**Joanna in Virginia** Classifications listed as Peloton, 2nd Peloton and Off the Back.

07-05-2025  
11:19:11 am



**Tim in KY** Doesn't look like any Lidl in the front group.

07-05-2025  
11:19:57 am



**Mikey** Millan missed it

07-05-2025  
11:20:33 am



**Joanna in Virginia** Now categorized as Leaders, Peloton and OTB.

07-05-2025  
11:20:34 am



**Joanna in Virginia** About 36 riders in the lead.

07-05-2025  
11:21:47 am

**BusterSci** Remco missed the front group07-05-2025  
11:21:52 am**BusterSci** You don't expect that team to miss echelons.07-05-2025  
11:22:04 am**Mikey** Wow I have Sweeny That can't be good for him Tim07-05-2025  
11:22:15 am**Joanna in Virginia** Pog and Vingo in the lead group07-05-2025  
11:22:22 am**Joanna in Virginia** Lead group has about 30 seconds on the Peloton.07-05-2025  
11:26:46 am**Mikey** Lead group 70kph07-05-2025  
11:26:48 am**Tim in KY** I can't keep track of who's where.07-05-2025  
11:27:45 am**Joanna in Virginia** Leaders attacking each other now.07-05-2025  
11:28:02 am**Mikey** All kinds of corners coming07-05-2025  
11:28:26 am**PasadenaK8** Ruh, roh... more gravity issues...07-05-2025  
11:29:48 am**Mikey** Crap07-05-2025  
11:29:59 am

**Joanna in Virginia** t. pogacar t. wellens j. vingegaard t. benoot m. jorgenson v. albanese h. sweeny m. van den berg b. girmay s. watson j. stuyven c. barthe p. penhoet c. russo j. philipsen k. groves x. meurisse j. rickaert m. van der poel m. haller f. lienhard m. trentin l. mezgec k. vauquelin e. mas i. garcia cortina d. touze d. ballerini m. teunissen a. turgis n. märkl j. blackmore k. neilands t. johannessen s. edvardsen-fredheim s. waerenskjold

07-05-2025  
11:30:46 am**Joanna in Virginia** The lead group as of a minute ago - had lots of editing to do.07-05-2025  
11:31:07 am**Tim in KY** Inside the 5km so same time for crash guys.07-05-2025  
11:31:20 am

## Preliminary results.

1m

RNK.	RIDER	TEAM	TIME
1	 PHILIPSEN Jasper	Alpecin - Deceuninck	3:53:11
2	 GIRMAY Biniam	Intermarché - Wanty	0:00
3	 WÆRENSKJOLD Søren	Uno-X Mobility	0:00
4	 TURGIS Anthony	Team TotalEnergies	0:00
5	 TRENTIN Matteo	Tudor Pro Cycling Team	0:00
6	 RUSSO Clément	Groupama - FDJ	0:00
7	 PENHOËT Paul	Groupama - FDJ	0:00
8	 JORGENSON Matteo	Team Visma   Lease a Bike	0:00
9	 MAYRHOFER Marius	Tudor Pro Cycling Team	0:00
10	 WATSON Samuel	INEOS Grenadiers	0:00



**Joanna in Virginia** 1.5 km07-05-2025  
11:34:05 am**Joanna in Virginia** Philipson!07-05-2025  
11:35:48 am**Katie S** !!!07-05-2025  
11:36:22 am**Joanna in Virginia** Then Girmay.07-05-2025  
11:36:33 am**PasadenaK8** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1751730171-1751729871359.jpeg>07-05-2025  
11:37:53 am**Mikey** See ya Ba07-05-2025  
11:40:16 am**Katie S** A demain!07-05-2025  
11:40:35 am**PasadenaK8** See you all tomorrow! 🙌07-05-2025  
11:40:39 am