Tim in KY TdF Stage 17 is 168 kilometers south through the Alps from the ski resort Saint-Gervais Mont Blanc to the often-used finish on the runway of the altiport above Courchevel.

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Tim in KY The route starts slightly uphill and there isn't any really flat one of the entire length. Even the runway is ridden in the uphill direction. The stage includes two Cat1s, a Cat 2 and the HC Col de la Loze. That climb crests at the highest altitude of this year's Tour, 2,304 meters. The climb is almost 30 kilometers long and averages 6%. But that average includes some shallow, flat and downhill sections. The last 7 km are quite steep with some double-digit gradient sections. This climb has only been used one before, in 2020, because the road wasn't paved until 2019. The final climb up the runway is 11% with a ramp of 18% near the finish line at the altiport.

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Tim in KY Kilometer zero is scheduled for 12:20 CEST. Finish is imagined either side of 17:30. Current forecast is for the likelihood of rain on and off along the entire route. Temps in the upper-20s at the start, low-20s toward the finish.

Tim in KY Found this picture of the altiport above Courchevel on Wikipedia. 07-18-2023

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Tim in KY https://rumbletalk-images-

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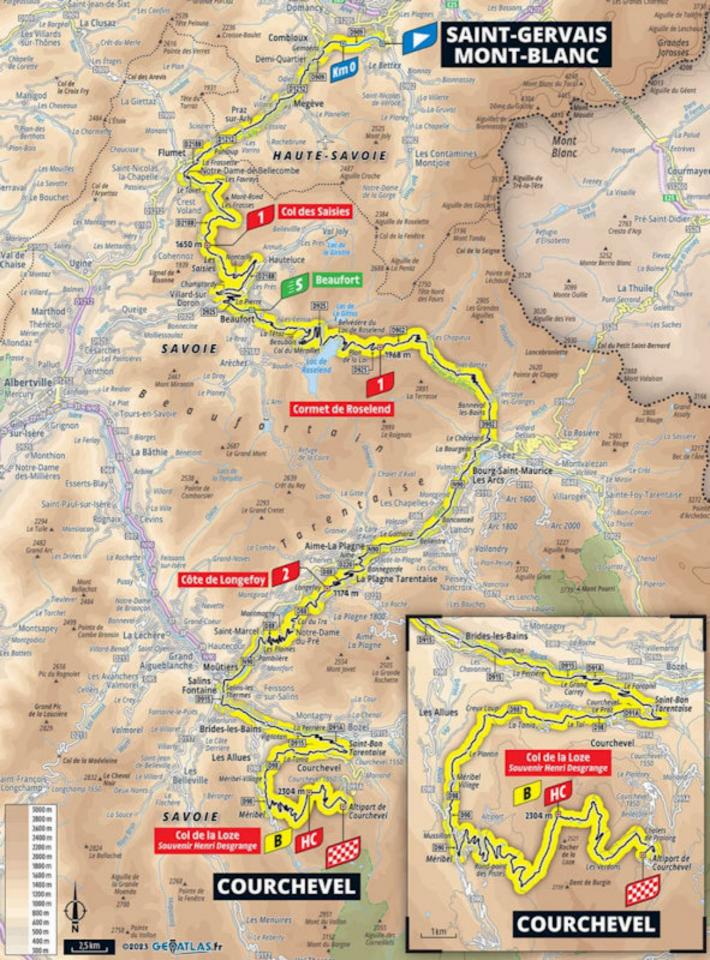
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Tim in KY Alexis Renard (Cofidis) will not start today. No DNF or OTL on stage 16. Rain chance has diminished to negligible.

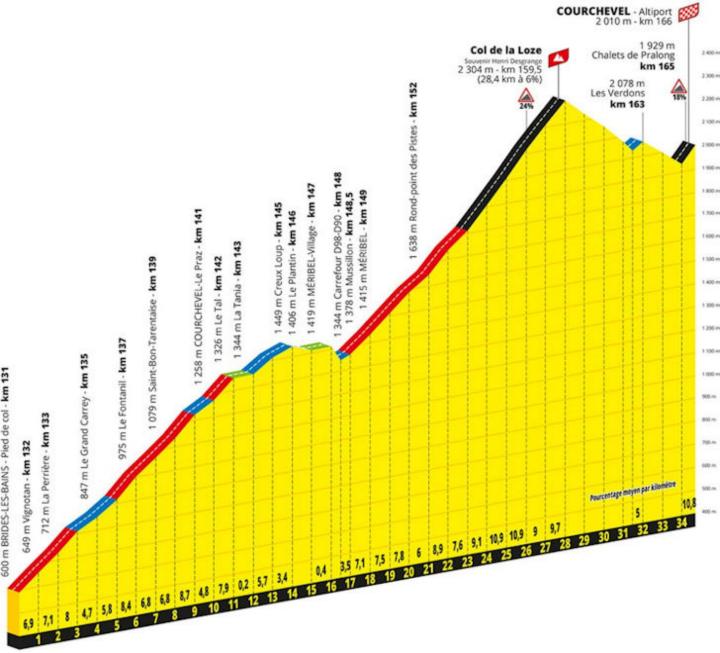
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Tim in KY I have many chores and errands today. My presence will be minimal but I hope to be here for the HC climb.

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Joanna in Virginia KM0	07-19-2023 06:37:25 am
Joanna in Virginia Attacks and counter attacks.	07-19-2023 06:39:16 am
Joanna in Virginia https://rumbletalk-images- upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/16897641 Screenshot%202023-07-19%20at%206.50.54%20AM.png	07-19-2023 06:58:49 am
Joanna in Virginia Break at 32"	07-19-2023 06:58:50 am
Joanna in Virginia On the first climb, Dudes off the Front, Dudes off the Back, Dudes in the Middle.	07-19-2023 07:01:34 am
Charlie in Tenn Hi All. Still recovering from the shock of yesterday. Hard to believe Vinge is that much better than everyone.	07-19-2023 07:04:04 am
Charlie in Tenn Yates and Gall in the break. Jumbo should shut that down.	07-19-2023 07:07:22 am
Joanna in Virginia Reports that POG hit the deck a few minutes ago	07-19-2023 07:08:09 am
Joanna in Virginia Scraped knees and back riding.	07-19-2023 07:08:18 am
BusterSci MOrning	07-19-2023 07:13:51 am
Charlie in Tenn WHF flying down the mountain	07-19-2023 07:26:27 am
Joanna in Virginia Good morning! I'm trying to catch up on all the previous stages. :-)	07-19-2023 07:26:29 am
BusterSci Ciccone takes the KOM points. Â Powless' dream is over.	07-19-2023 07:26:29 am
Joanna in Virginia And now I need to make myself another cup of tea.	07-19-2023 07:26:30 am

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G. Ciccone	81		LTK	+ 01h 50' 20"
G. J. Wilsly	208	in a	UXT	+ 02h 27' 42"
N. Powless	46	TEF !	EFE	+ 02h 37' 16"
M. Pedersen	86		LTK	+ 03h 45' 25"
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Joanna in Virginia Ciccone grabs max points over Dots.	er the top. Resplendent in	07-19-2023 07:26:32 am
Joanna in Virginia No one challenged him.		07-19-2023 07:26:33 am
bikerabe Ciccone gets 1st Mtn points none for Po	owless	07-19-2023 07:27:19 am
BusterSci Reading back and just wondering, did (points?	Ciccone get the mountain	07-19-2023 07:39:00 am
Charlie in Tenn I will check and get back to you.		07-19-2023 07:50:40 am
Joanna in Virginia :P		07-19-2023 07:50:42 am
Joanna in Virginia On the second climb. 10 rider advantage over the chasers and a minute advantage	0 11a v 0 a 20 000011a	07-19-2023 07:50:43 am
bikerabe He was in lead group and sprinted to ge	t 10 points	07-19-2023 07:50:48 am
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BusterSci Nice horsey	07-19-2023 07:58:10 am
Charlie in Tenn Nice horse and rider	07-19-2023 07:59:11 am
Joanna in Virginia Thanks, Guys!	07-19-2023 07:59:23 am
bikerabe beautiful horse	07-19-2023 07:59:31 am
bikerabe front group now has 34 riders	07-19-2023 07:59:59 am
Joanna in Virginia Damn!	07-19-2023 08:01:37 am
Joanna in Virginia Well, dam.	07-19-2023 08:02:02 am
Joanna in Virginia Look at the color of that water! Gorgeous!	07-19-2023 08:02:22 am
Joanna in Virginia But my vertigo isn't happy.	07-19-2023 08:02:32 am
Joanna in Virginia DIDI!	07-19-2023 08:14:11 am
bikerabe still 9 km to top of this climb	07-19-2023 08:14:40 am
Joanna in Virginia Bauhaus abandons.	07-19-2023 08:17:02 am
John Did he crash early? Is that why he was so far behind?	07-19-2023 08:18:40 am
BusterSci Not sure. Â But late in the race and a sprinter on a brutal mountain stagecould have just said F-it.	07-19-2023 08:20:00 am

BusterSci Not that it's what I would do or anything	07-19-2023 08:20:23 am
John With 5400m of climbing, l'm not sure l'd bother to start	07-19-2023 08:21:19 am
BusterSci Maybe he's getting an appearance fee, so he had to appear.	07-19-2023 08:21:42 am
John We did 1000-1500 each day during our recent trip in Europe. That was plenty.	07-19-2023 08:22:17 am
BusterSci Was that The Doctor?	07-19-2023 08:24:32 am
Trish in MA Morning, all! Â I actually have time to check in on the Tour. Â At one point over the past week or so, my husband walked up, felt my forehead and said, "Just checking if you're sick - you haven't watched the Tour at all."	07-19-2023 08:25:29 am
John Lol	07-19-2023 08:25:41 am
Joanna in Virginia Too funny, Trish!	07-19-2023 08:28:29 am
Katie S Good morning, all. Trish, I wondered where you'd been. Jo, just a beautiful shot.	07-19-2023 08:28:54 am
Katie S So I keep thinking Vingo is special there's just something about him that I hadn't been able to put my finger on, until last night.	07-19-2023 08:29:19 am
Katie S I have finally figured it out	07-19-2023 08:29:23 am
Katie S https://rumbletalk-images- upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/16897700 My%20project-1.jpg	07-19-2023 08:29:41 am 78-
Joanna in Virginia I have really missed watching this past week and it	07-19-2023 08:29:51 am

Joanna in Virginia I have really missed watching this past week and it wasn't in my plan to compete in July. I got a late start to the season due to a farrier issue earlier and am playing catch-up. I should have stuck to my original plan.



John hahaha good one	07-19-2023 08:29:56 am
Trish in MA Love it. Â Ha, ha, ha	07-19-2023 08:30:03 am
Joanna in Virginia I just finished reading through all the Chats I missed.	07-19-2023 08:31:03 am
Trish in MA I haven	07-19-2023 08:32:00 am
Trish in MA I haven't even attempted that. Â I watched some of Sunday and the end of yesterday's stage.	07-19-2023 08:32:30 am
BusterSci Looking at the corner's of Vingo's mouthhis skin is loose and almost plastic in it's translucency. Â There's nothing underneath it. Â Very low body fat.	07-19-2023 08:36:33 am
Trish in MA I'm trying out the World Feed today. Â Can't take any more Tom Brady commercials. Â Even with a week away, they are fingernails on a blackboard	07-19-2023 08:38:34 am
Joanna in Virginia Averting my eyes	07-19-2023 08:39:06 am
Katie S Cows!	07-19-2023 08:40:46 am
bikerabe another 10 points for Ciccome in Dots	07-19-2023 08:40:55 am
Joanna in Virginia Moooooooo!	07-19-2023 08:41:09 am
BusterSci Jo, were you averting your eyes from Tom Brady commercials?	07-19-2023 08:42:26 am
Katie S My friend who is hiking in the Mont Blanc region sent a video yesterday of a peloton of sheep coming by, complete with Anatolian shepherds and a real human sheep herder. My friend and her pals had to simply ste	07-19-2023 08:42:56 am

Katie S My friend who is hiking in the Mont Blanc region sent a video
yesterday of a peloton of sheep coming by, complete with Anatolian
shepherds and a real human sheep herder. My friend and her pals had to simply step aside as the entire bunch baaa-ed and belled over the piste. And, sure enough, they were the eejits cheering on the sheep and taking selfies...

Joanna in Virginia Yes, Buster.	07-19-2023 08:43:40 am
Joanna in Virginia The descent is dizzying.	07-19-2023 08:43:55 am
Charlie in Tenn eejits are usuall those other people	07-19-2023 08:43:58 am
Joanna in Virginia Bet the eejits didn't feel sheepish at all.	07-19-2023 08:44:44 am
Katie S	07-19-2023 08:44:57 am
BusterSci I've decided I like the studio crew on the NBC feed. Â They're the best team NBC has put together since Paul was alive and Phil was competent to enter into a contract. Â But I can't handle Phil and Bob. Â On the world feed, Nico smart guy and what he says is good but his style is soporific. Â McCrossan's voice is	08:46:24 am
than a Tom Brady commercial, but he does a good job leading Nico out. A He asks we seem to be stupid questions but I think he's doing it on purpose to get Nico to give a insight.	what
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Katie S I am one of the few who really enjoy Phil and Bob, and I am glad that CVV has the moto gig. He's a natural. I also agree the the studio crew is doing a good job. Early in the race, Bewley was pretty stiff and Bookwalter a bit less so. I thought Burmeister did a good job of getting them to yammer. And now all three seem like they've hit their stride as a trio. I just wonder what the auditions were like.

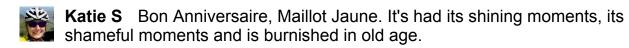
Katie S and that's why I run the World Feed when I'm supposed to be "working." Because it's fairly quiet and, well, like golf commentary.	07-19-2023 08:52:31 am
Katie S (which I like)	07-19-2023 08:53:11 am
Trish in MA I was watching Chris Horner's Butterfly Effect and he was quite snarky about being "fired" by NBC. I also don't mind Phil and	07-19-2023 08:53:23 am
Trish in MA bob	07-19-2023 08:53:26 am
Joanna in Virginia Camper Van Chat - a classic.	07-19-2023 08:53:51 am
BusterSci I think you're backwards on the Bewley and Bookwalter thing. Â Bewley is a natural and Bookwalter looks like he has a bollard up his backside.	07-19-2023 08:53:52 am
Katie S well, both looked a bit like deer in the headlights early on.	07-19-2023 08:54:39 am
Charlie in Tenn gETTING FIRED MAKES A LOT OF FOLKS SNARKY	07-19-2023 08:54:53 am
Charlie in Tenn Sorry about the caps.	07-19-2023 08:55:05 am
Trish in MA And then they just casually dropped in, in the middle of camper van chat, that Pog had a fall on the uphill and is bloodied. Â And went back to camper van chat.	07-19-2023 08:56:14 am
Joanna in Virginia Priorities	07-19-2023 08:56:31 am
Trish in MA You know, Camper Van Chat is not a bad name for a cyclist	07-19-2023 08:56:53 am
BusterSci Phil is wrong more often than a guy who's wrong a lot. Â He has no idea what's actually going on or who anyone is. Â I've long been mixed on Bob. Â When he does his Bobke schtick he's awful. Â But when he's covered races own I've found him very good. Â He's quite smart and knows the sport well. Â As fa don't care for him in the booth but can't answer about the Moto stuff. Â I don't care for	r as VDV, I

Moto reports even when people I think are good do them, so I'm not a good one to comment on whether he's good.

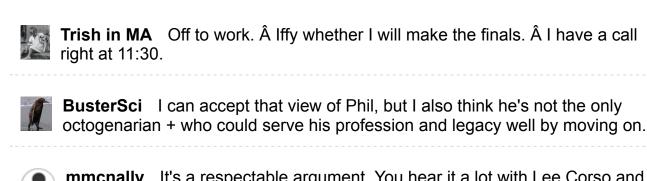
Joanna in Virginia That's what Campernuts drives to the campsite.	07-19-2023 08:57:34 am
BusterSci Trish, Camper Van Chat is damn funny. Â Very good.	07-19-2023 08:57:48 am
Katie S an uphill crash is a sign of fatigue.	07-19-2023 08:59:45 am
Katie S my big question for this year's Tour is: What happened to Cort? He was supposed to bring me points by being in every breakaway. Did he burn all his matches in that other race? Harrumph.	07-19-2023 09:00:27 am
mmcnally Catching up on todays chat. I would say Chris Horner isn't the only snarky one this morning.	07-19-2023 09:01:25 am
Joanna in Virginia What? Us? Snarky?	07-19-2023 09:01:58 am
Joanna in Virginia (typed with extreme snark)	07-19-2023 09:02:12 am
BusterSci HA! Â I didn't care for Horner. Â Guy wouldn't shut up. Â [looks aroundskulks off into corner]	07-19-2023 09:02:48 am
Trish in MA Today is the Yellow Jersey's birthday. Not vingagaards. The Jersey itself.	07-19-2023 09:03:30 am
Tim in KY Back from errands. Now chores. Back after.	07-19-2023 09:05:07 am

mmcnally My take on Phil, I can only hope I'm as together at 79 as he is.

Broadcasting for hours on end. Traveling endless miles across France. I tip
my cap to the man. But maybe I'm just sensitive because I work around college kids who look at me like an old man.



07-19-2023 09:05:13 am



Trish in MA Off to work. Â Iffy whether I will make the finals. Â I have a call

07-19-2023 09:15:17 am

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09:12:33 am

07-19-2023 mmcnally It's a respectable argument. You hear it a lot with Lee Corso and 09:22:21 am Dick Vitale as well. I remember from my MLB days when some said it about Harry Caray. In Phoenix Al Mccoy just retired at the age of 90 from Suns broadcasts. It's a delicate balance of respecting the past, holding on to it as long as you can and bringing in the new fresh voice. But you are not alone in your opinion for sure.

The project I am working on as we speak is a report on Sherwin Williams ... feels apropos because so far this feels like a paint-drying stage 07-19-2023 09:23:01 am

07-19-2023 **Joanna in Virginia** My day off involves saddle pad laundry, lots of saddle 09:25:25 am pad laundry. Of course, I am off to a very slow start due to the fact that I forgot human laundry in the washer last night and had to re-wash. Maybe it's time for my fourth cup of tea...

Katie S at least a fourth, Jo

07-19-2023 09:25:42 am

07-19-2023 **BusterSci** You know what I'd like to see with Phil? NBC taking historical 09:25:46 am footage of the 50+ Tours, and other races, he's covered and have a studio discussion with him about them. A Try to pull out all that historical knowledge and get it documented in a way that informs and educates US noob fans about the amazing history of the sport. Â I'd love that.

Mikey Morning fellow snarkers 07-19-2023 09:25:50 am

Katie S Mikey! 07-19-2023 09:26:02 am

Joanna in Virginia Hi Mikey! 07-19-2023 09:26:05 am

John Hey Mikey

07-19-2023 09:26:25 am

Mikey Made a special typing mistake for you Jo... Â err Linda Linda had an appearance

07-19-2023 09:27:17 am

Joanna in Virginia Reading through the last week of Chats I saw that Donny made an appearance (or two or three) and was happy to hear the Gillimarie touched base with Charlie. Sorry to have missed Donny, it has been awhile	07-19-2023 09:27:30 am
BusterSci I think Donny popped in yesterday just to say he didn't believe it.	07-19-2023 09:28:01 am
mmcnally I would be onboard with that as well, Buster. Would be a fun watch.	07-19-2023 09:28:23 am
BusterSci I don't think L'Equipe did, either.	07-19-2023 09:28:33 am
Mikey Saw in the news Jo that the World stick horse championship was held	07-19-2023 09:28:36 am
BusterSci https://rumbletalk-images- upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/168977361 1689773319506.png	07-19-2023 09:28:41 am
Joanna in Virginia Out of this world?	07-19-2023 09:29:30 am
bikerabe from another planet	07-19-2023 09:29:48 am
Katie S Yeah, L'Equipe you might wanna be careful with the allusions	07-19-2023 09:30:08 am
Joanna in Virginia I could do well at a Stick Horse Challenge, but my soundness would be challenged.	07-19-2023 09:30:17 am
bikerabe Yellow group close to 3 min. behind	07-19-2023 09:30:26 am
Joanna in Virginia Thank you so much, Katie S, for the generous donation to the Tip Jar! So greatly appreciated!!	07-19-2023 09:32:51 am
Katie S You are your cohosts are greatly appreciated. Thank you, all whose names appear in red and the rest of you, too, for making this such a fun place to come together to watch a race, engage in spark and humor, and share a friendship.	07-19-2023 09:34:21 am

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Tour de France d'affilée.

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Mikey What she said	07-19-2023 09:35:36 am
Joanna in Virginia :)	07-19-2023 09:36:13 am
Mikey Can Gaudu deliver?	07-19-2023 09:37:44 am
BusterSci We're waiting for him.	07-19-2023 09:38:07 am
Joanna in Virginia :D	07-19-2023 09:38:24 am
Mikey Grate	07-19-2023 09:42:15 am
Mikey Yates on the virtual podium???? WTH???	07-19-2023 09:43:51 am
bikerabe Bernal corner crash and back on	07-19-2023 09:44:08 am
John This descent would be terrifying in the rain	07-19-2023 09:45:22 am
John not that it's not already	07-19-2023 09:45:28 am
Katie S which yates, Mikey?	07-19-2023 09:45:54 am
Mikey Adam	07-19-2023 09:46:14 am
Charlie in Tenn approx 24 hairpins	07-19-2023 09:47:34 am
Charlie in Tenn A Yates is there but will have to give it up for pog if it comes down to it. S Yates is 8th at the start today so he could challenge for 7th though he said he wanted a stage win.	07-19-2023 09:49:03 am

Katie S https://rumbletalk-images-07-19-2023 upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1689774883-FearlessFlyYates.jpg

Tim in KY Finally done, World feed up. And I made before the HC climb.	07-19-2023 09:50:27 am
Mikey Hi Tim How are you?	07-19-2023 09:50:47 am
Tim in KY I'm doing fine, Mikey, thanks. Catching up on all the stuff that didn't get done while I was incarcerated.	07-19-2023 09:53:19 am
Katie S incarcerated! funny, Tim.	07-19-2023 09:53:48 am
Mikey Glad you weren't;t locked into it	07-19-2023 09:53:57 am
Joanna in Virginia They included the cows in the stage flashback. LOL!	07-19-2023 09:55:24 am
Joanna in Virginia That Bison looked Sticky.	07-19-2023 09:56:24 am
Mikey Just saw waldo	07-19-2023 09:56:49 am
Joanna in Virginia Where?	07-19-2023 09:57:01 am
Mikey Painted on the ground	07-19-2023 09:57:24 am
BusterSci Is this Tour evidence that Bernal will join Froome as someone whe will never recover his form after an awful crash?	າດ07-19-2023 _{09:57:55} am
Joanna in Virginia I think you have something there, Buster.	07-19-2023 09:58:27 am
Tim in KY I agree, Buster.	07-19-2023 09:58:47 am







Mikey Saw a show with Froomey and HE said his numbers were better than 07-19-2023 ever.....Ok



Mikey What is he gonna say?

07-19-2023 09:59:29 am



BusterSci Re: Froome. In his defense, it's pretty clear the "numbers" have moved on in his absence.

07-19-2023 10:01:29 am



Tim in KY Numbers don't win races. 07-19-2023 10:02:04 am



BusterSci Also, with Sky he had both the Death Star mystique and the best 07-19-2023 team in the world taking care of him. A He has neither now.

10:02:31 am



Marginal losses **BusterSci**

07-19-2023 10:03:04 am



Break heads up the climb Katie S

07-19-2023 10:03:45 am



SFinAus Good day. Zoom meeting in one ear, GCN tour feed in the other, 07-19-2023 10:04:58 am and LUGs. A Marginal losses.



I find your lack of faith.....disturbing

07-19-2023 10:05:02 am



Mikey Hi Shawn Sean Shaun 07-19-2023 10:06:02 am



SFinAus HI Michaey 07-19-2023 10:06:32 am



Tim in KY Big break breaking up.

07-19-2023 10:06:41 am



BusterSci It's good that I retired prior to Zoom meetings. Â I'd have tired quickly trying to explain why I was shouting "GO! GO! GO!"

07-19-2023 10:06:47 am

BusterSci Now we see what happens over 2000 meters. Â it won't be good for someone I'm betting.	07-19-2023 10:08:02 am
Mikey I'm still looking over my shoulder Buster	07-19-2023 10:08:27 am
Joanna in Virginia Wow, that is just beautiful countryside.	07-19-2023 10:09:36 am
Tim in KY To look at, Jo, not to climb in.	07-19-2023 10:09:59 am
Joanna in Virginia Amen!	07-19-2023 10:10:08 am
BusterSci So at 10k to go they hit 2000m, with 300m additional climbing after that. Â Many guys struggled on the highest peaks. Â Valverde could never do it. Â Nibali wasn't great. Â Columbians have generally done well (go figure Carapaz had to be eyeing this stagehe was born and raised at 2900 meters.	07-19-2023 10:11:59 am
Mikey Stinking brutal final k too	07-19-2023 10:13:00 am
Tim in KY Kuss is riding well back in the GC group.	07-19-2023 10:13:16 am
Katie S Air mattresses along the descent to protect catapulting cyclists? Good lord.	07-19-2023 10:13:21 am
Joanna in Virginia Someone said 'mattress' to Mr. Lambert again	07-19-2023 10:14:02 am
Joanna in Virginia https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rGEeLtqtNvU	07-19-2023 10:14:38 am
BusterSci That resulted from a discussion between Adam Hansen, he who can't spell "descent" and ASO.	07-19-2023 10:15:00 am
BusterSci Jo, that's a pretty obscure one. Â So extra points for you.	07-19-2023 10:15:24 am
BusterSci Sep born in Durango, just under 2000m, probably has some benefit.	07-19-2023 10:16:15 am

Joanna in Virginia Emerson, Lake and Palmer's version of "Jerusalem" is one of my all time favorite records, this sketch lodged in my brain decades ago as a result.	07-19-2023 10:16:32 am
Katie S oh golly, Jo, this is hurting my math brain. And, seconding the obscurity prize.	07-19-2023 10:17:24 am
Mikey Making brain salad	07-19-2023 10:18:09 am
Joanna in Virginia Yes, Mikey!	07-19-2023 10:18:22 am
bikerabe Ciccone otb work done for the day	07-19-2023 10:18:45 am
SFinAus Adam Hansen tweeted a video of the descent and a warning to the riders.	07-19-2023 10:19:15 am
Mikey I saw them in Des Moines during that surgery. Incredible visuals	07-19-2023 10:19:22 am
SFinAus ELP, now that takes me back. Karn Evil forever!	07-19-2023 10:19:25 am
Joanna in Virginia Welcome back, my friends.	07-19-2023 10:19:52 am
SFinAus Heh!	07-19-2023 10:20:03 am
bikerabe E,L&P had an album Brain Salad Surgery	07-19-2023 10:20:13 am
Tim in KY There's 40 KOM points to the first man over the top. Vinego could go into dots if it's him.	07-19-2023 10:20:18 am
Tim in KY The only other time this climb was used in the Tour they didn't descend.	07-19-2023 10:21:13 am
Katie S so they're all still up there?	07-19-2023 10:21:31 am

Tim in KY As far as I know.	07-19-2023 10:21:46 am
mmcnally Ha!! Awesome Katie.	07-19-2023 10:22:17 am
Mikey Nice Katie	07-19-2023 10:22:26 am
Mikey Now stop it	07-19-2023 10:22:49 am
Tim in KY I wonder if Roche rode the final Km today.	07-19-2023 10:23:06 am
BusterSci That sketch reminded me that my best friend from college (team Mad Fly Disease) uses the two Cleese gestures regularly and has for 40+ years. Â The one finger warning and the ball of the palm to the forehead.	07-19-2023 10:23:16 am
BusterSci They didn't descend, but we rarely fail to.	07-19-2023 10:23:54 am
Joanna in Virginia Too true.	07-19-2023 10:24:06 am
Mikey They not so fall as plummet	07-19-2023 10:24:42 am
Joanna in Virginia :P	07-19-2023 10:24:56 am
BusterSci Jo, you use that emoji enough that if we ever meet and you don't look like that I'll be disappointed.	07-19-2023 10:26:03 am
Joanna in Virginia It is clearly my favorite emoji that the chat has to offer. I will be sure to stick my tongue out at you when we meet.	07-19-2023 10:26:46 am
Joanna in Virginia Of course, if I am wearing a penguin costume, you won't be able to tell.	07-19-2023 10:27:13 am
BusterSci True.	07-19-2023 10:27:21 am

07-19-2023 10:27:21 am

BusterSci Speaking of which, how do you feel about Peto admitting he's been mailing it in for three years?	07-19-2023 10:27:49 am
Mikey SAGAN	07-19-2023 10:28:12 am
Katie S um, don't believe him? That's a good excuse for failing to win. "Oh, well, I wasn't actually trying."	07-19-2023 10:28:30 am
SFinAus Hmmm. I hadn't seen that. Knock me over with a feather.	07-19-2023 10:28:33 am
John Quiet quitting is all the rage	07-19-2023 10:28:52 am
Tim in KY Slower than imagined but faster than the slowest.	07-19-2023 10:29:25 am
BusterSci Seems his has been more drink quitting.	07-19-2023 10:29:30 am
Katie S i think, Buster, you nailed it week or more ago when you suggested he may not take to retirement in the most healthy of ways	07-19-2023 10:29:38 am
BusterSci Well, he is going back to mountain biking, which I think might be a good transition.	a 07-19-2023 10:30:02 am
Tim in KY Ullrich retirement.	07-19-2023 10:30:09 am
Mikey There was a divorce thrown in too	07-19-2023 10:30:18 am
Joanna in Virginia I didn't see that report, tough to hear.	07-19-2023 10:30:33 am
SFinAus Maybe Sagan would enjoy the gravel event/race world as other retired roadies have.	07-19-2023 10:31:01 am
BusterSci Said he hates the Tour, and if you ask anybody who has ridden 10 they'd say the same.	0 07-19-2023 10:31:07 am

BusterSci He was one that seemed to ride with much joy early in his career. Â Sad to see it change.	07-19-2023 10:32:06 am
Joanna in Virginia Well, he was in a spot of bother that one year, and as I recall, it was unjustified. So, I could understand that sentiment.	07-19-2023 10:32:21 am
Joanna in Virginia Oh, a ski jump. Shame Rug isn't here.	07-19-2023 10:32:39 am
Mikey Do you think he was hinting at not getting a bit more attention as he was in his last tour? No good goodbye?	07-19-2023 10:32:45 am
Katie S Oh, hey, there's a ski	07-19-2023 10:32:47 am
Katie S oh, ha! Jo, you beat me to it!	07-19-2023 10:32:54 am
Joanna in Virginia HORSES!	07-19-2023 10:33:47 am
BusterSci Hadn't thought of that, Mikey. Â Don't know if it was a hint or maybe an underlying grudge with Cav.	07-19-2023 10:33:59 am
Mikey Damn SBS in commercial missing it all! Crap	07-19-2023 10:34:03 am
bikerabe near 25 km to go and Yellow 2:30 behind	07-19-2023 10:34:31 am
Mikey Not missing the Paramount +	07-19-2023 10:34:31 am
Katie S Sagan was an acquired taste for me, but once he wormed (Hulked? his way into my cycling fan's heart, he's been there for good. So, yes, I hope he finds renewed enthusiasm in mountain biking or gravel or just himself.) 07-19-2023 10:35:41 am
Mikey I feel the same way Katie	07-19-2023 10:36:17 am

Joanna in Virginia And now for something completely different. Since hubby ⁰⁷⁻¹⁹⁻²⁰²³ is gone so often, he acquired a Ring motion light and camera for our deck sliding door. It is not overly sensitive to the neighbor's dog or kids, but a freaking spider loves to build a web on it every few weeks. Invariably, the web gets moving in the breeze and the notifications start in the wee hours of the morning. This morning, the tone went off over 80 times and worked into a dream, causing me panic, and waking me up. I threw on my robe, trudged downstairs at 4am, and destroyed the web. Never happens when hubby is home, of course, he would have been getting the notifications at 2am, so l'II stop complaining. LOL!

BusterSci Did the web say "Some Horse"	07-19-2023 10:41:35 am
Joanna in Virginia My eyes were not open enough to know.	07-19-2023 10:42:25 am
Katie S GOOD ONE, Buster!	07-19-2023 10:43:03 am
BusterSci It was that or a Peter Parker joke	07-19-2023 10:43:25 am
Katie S "Oh my god! Jo killed Charlotte!"	07-19-2023 10:43:30 am
BusterSci You bastard!	07-19-2023 10:43:40 am
BusterSci Wait. Â That's Kenny	07-19-2023 10:44:00 am
Mikey Web of deceit	07-19-2023 10:44:01 am
Joanna in Virginia Web of no sleep	07-19-2023 10:44:12 am
Tim in KY Vinego still has Kuss and two guys in the front group.	07-19-2023 10:45:16 am
Katie S 10k of climbing to go when does Pog attack? Can he attack?	07-19-2023 10:46:03 am

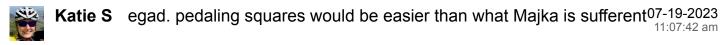
BusterSci 10k to go	07-19-2023 10:46:16 am
BusterSci There is no can. Â Only do.	07-19-2023 10:46:36 am
Mikey O'Connor having a good day for the Aussies Jai not so much	07-19-2023 10:46:49 am
BusterSci After two and a half bad weeks it's about time for Ben.	07-19-2023 10:47:13 am
Tim in KY Last time the Tour climbed the altiport in 2000, Pog won.	07-19-2023 10:47:49 am
BusterSci But that didn't include this climb, right?	07-19-2023 10:48:41 am
BusterSci Ben done	07-19-2023 10:48:46 am
Joanna in Virginia Sure, pizza is just what I need.	07-19-2023 10:49:00 am
Joanna in Virginia Is Sunday a late start? Trying to decide if I can be here for the finale on the Champs.	07-19-2023 10:49:55 am
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Mikey Thanks Buster I somehow missed that I thought he was dropped	07-19-2023 10:50:40 am
Joanna in Virginia Boo	07-19-2023 10:50:43 am
Tim in KY I think the crash got to him.	07-19-2023 10:50:48 am
Joanna in Virginia Kuss kicking it.	07-19-2023 10:51:02 am
BusterSci Agree, Tim. Â I think McCrossan likes to create narrative	07-19-2023 10:51:12 am
Mikey Wow I got to see that at least	07-19-2023 10:51:12 am
Katie S Kuss licks the sweat off his lips and cranks away	07-19-2023 10:51:20 am
Mikey I guess Pog won't be attacking them	07-19-2023 10:51:54 am
Charlie in Tenn probably not	07-19-2023 10:52:45 am
Mikey Now I really have to go go	07-19-2023 10:53:21 am
Charlie in Tenn Guys all over the road	07-19-2023 10:53:33 am
Charlie in Tenn Go Simon	07-19-2023 10:53:52 am
Tim in KY Felix the delusional.	07-19-2023 10:54:33 am
Katie S The gall of him	07-19-2023 10:54:51 am
John Assuming Pog can't come back, do they send Yates free?	07-19-2023 10:55:08 am

Tim in KY Sure, John.	07-19-2023 10:55:25 am
Tim in KY Shouldn't it be spelled Gaul?	07-19-2023 10:55:56 am
Katie S only in France	07-19-2023 10:56:39 am
mmcnally Does Vingo decide to drill it or leave some prizes for others?	07-19-2023 10:57:06 am
Charlie in Tenn Yes but he is 7 minutes behind Pog and just in front of Rodriguez. His job is to stay ahead of Rodriguez and maybe go for the win.	07-19-2023 10:57:12 am
BusterSci Right, Charlie	07-19-2023 10:57:47 am
John l'd like to see him be ruthless and drill it.	07-19-2023 10:57:56 am
BusterSci Just Yates and Vingo now	07-19-2023 10:58:32 am
BusterSci Pog a minute down	07-19-2023 10:58:40 am
Charlie in Tenn Benoot picks up his leader	07-19-2023 10:59:21 am
BusterSci They popped Yates	07-19-2023 10:59:55 am
Katie S of course they did	07-19-2023 11:00:02 am
John He's a Yates :)	07-19-2023 11:00:14 am
Joanna in Virginia Hmmmmm, out of this world.	07-19-2023 11:00:38 am

SFinAus Wow. A good shot of Vigo's speed.	07-19-2023 11:00:39 am
SFinAus Yep.	07-19-2023 11:00:57 am
BusterSci Moto driver thinking he could save some gas money by getting in Vingo's slipstream	07-19-2023 11:00:57 am
Charlie in Tenn He is going for it.	07-19-2023 11:01:00 am
Katie S How come I'm not excited?	07-19-2023 11:01:04 am
Joanna in Virginia LOLOLOL!	07-19-2023 11:01:05 am
Joanna in Virginia Historical precedent, Katie.	07-19-2023 11:02:01 am
SFinAus Yeah, Katie. I'm stunned, but no so much excited.	07-19-2023 11:03:18 am
bikerabe Gall would get 40 points summit 1st	07-19-2023 11:04:03 am
BusterSci This is where I expected the attacks	07-19-2023 11:04:12 am
Charlie in Tenn Adam Yates still need to worry about Bilbao who is ahead o him on the road.	f 07-19-2023 11:04:35 am
Joanna in Virginia NOBODY expects	07-19-2023 11:04:43 am
Joanna in Virginia Amongst our weaponry are such diverse elements of fear, surprise	07-19-2023 11:05:11 am
Katie S you know what would be fun? The lanterne rouge finding legs and zipping past everyone all the way to Paris.	07-19-2023 11:05:24 am

BusterSci microbuses of EPO	07-19-2023 11:05:24 am
mmcnally Pogs LBL crash and less than ideal preparation have caught up to him.	07-19-2023 11:05:29 am
BusterSci microdoses. Â Gorram autocorrect!	07-19-2023 11:05:35 am
Katie S and the backflip, mmcnally	07-19-2023 11:05:46 am
Charlie in Tenn Wilco helps his buddy Vinge	07-19-2023 11:05:52 am
Joanna in Virginia Micro Busses is funnier.	07-19-2023 11:05:52 am
Katie S i like microbuses	07-19-2023 11:05:54 am
BusterSci chartreuse?	07-19-2023 11:06:01 am
BusterSci Eleven long-haired friends of Jesus in a chartreuse microbus?	07-19-2023 11:06:37 am
BusterSci Majka done	07-19-2023 11:06:54 am
Tim in KY First time the team radio was instructive.	07-19-2023 11:06:58 am
bikerabe Adam yates in close battle w/ C Rodriguez	07-19-2023 11:07:08 am
Trish in MA My 11:30 cancelled, my unscheduled 10 AM just finished and I tune into seeing Vingear blowing Pog away . Â Yowza!	07-19-2023 11:07:24 am



Joanna in Virginia Bilbao smacking a fan! YES!	07-19-2023 11:08:28 am
Katie S eeeeeeejits	07-19-2023 11:08:54 am
Joanna in Virginia Can we knock the fans into the non-mattresses areas?	07-19-2023 11:09:05 am
Katie S CVV is freaking out a little bit	07-19-2023 11:09:17 am
mmcnally Ciccone should be safely in dots now.	07-19-2023 11:09:20 am
SFinAus Maybe ASO could hire out the Spanish Civil Guard	07-19-2023 11:09:20 am
Joanna in Virginia HOLY CRAP!	07-19-2023 11:09:25 am
Joanna in Virginia Riders stopped behind car.	07-19-2023 11:09:40 am
Katie S what the heck	07-19-2023 11:09:45 am
SFinAus F*S	07-19-2023 11:09:45 am
Trish in MA Eejits, eejits everywhere!	07-19-2023 11:10:13 am
Charlie in Tenn Still going up	07-19-2023 11:10:54 am
Joanna in Virginia Riders and officials need to be outfitted with tasers and deploy with reckless abandon.	07-19-2023 11:11:06 am
BusterSci You look in the eyes of the eejits. Â The ones looking at the riders get out of the way. Â The ones looking at the cameras dont	3 07-19-2023 11:11:15 am

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07-19-2023 11:13:01 am
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BusterSci He's got a lot of gall.	07-19-2023 11:15:30 am
Katie S Did you see that sign? YOU'RE NUTS! How did they know about us?	07-19-2023 11:15:32 am
John Hahaha	07-19-2023 11:15:39 am
BusterSci If he lost it would be galling	07-19-2023 11:15:41 am
Joanna in Virginia Our reputation precedes us.	07-19-2023 11:15:50 am
BusterSci if it was in the US they would have misspelled it.	07-19-2023 11:16:23 am
Joanna in Virginia Auto correct decides what I should type, my words are not my own.	07-19-2023 11:16:55 am
Joanna in Virginia Yikes, I cannot watch.	07-19-2023 11:17:27 am
Joanna in Virginia Yikes, I cannot watch. John Bring on The Fear	
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John Bring on The Fear Tim in KY Be funner in the rain. Katie S you're evil	11:17:27 am 07-19-2023 11:17:42 am 07-19-2023 11:17:45 am 07-19-2023 11:17:51 am

SFinAus Seems so. Tour winners aren't known for modesty.	07-19-2023 11:19:43 am
SFinAus Hoping for Gall though.	07-19-2023 11:20:37 am
Tim in KY https://rumbletalk-images- upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/16897803 17-route-finale.jpg	07-19-2023 11:21:02 am 361-stage-
BusterSci It's Gall or Yates	07-19-2023 11:21:11 am
Katie S go Felix	07-19-2023 11:21:53 am
BusterSci Tadej gonna pull over, knock over one of those mattresses, and take a nap	07-19-2023 11:21:54 am
SFinAus Gall coming in for the landing.	07-19-2023 11:22:38 am
Katie S from a bike path to an airstrip? What kind of place is this?	07-19-2023 11:22:56 am
BusterSci Good on Simon. Â Helluva ride	07-19-2023 11:23:03 am
Joanna in Virginia OOOH! Felix looks back.	07-19-2023 11:23:07 am
Tim in KY 18%	07-19-2023 11:23:37 am
Charlie in Tenn I think Bilbao is gonna move into 3rd	07-19-2023 11:23:39 am
Joanna in Virginia Ooooomph!	07-19-2023 11:23:47 am
BusterSci Yeah, Charlie. Â They're focused on Rodriguez but Bilbao is a problem	07-19-2023 11:24:04 am



Joanna in Virginia One hand up!	07-19-2023 11:24:08 am
Katie S Eeejit selfie stick	07-19-2023 11:24:12 am
Joanna in Virginia Felix!	07-19-2023 11:24:14 am
SFinAus Carlton: "Hear rises and appears in the sun like the good Lord"	07-19-2023 11:24:24 am
BusterSci Katie, that's redundant.	07-19-2023 11:24:25 am
Katie S well done!	07-19-2023 11:24:25 am
SFinAus ^He	07-19-2023 11:24:31 am
Joanna in Virginia Eejits should be beaten with their own selfie sticks.	07-19-2023 11:24:36 am
Tim in KY Bilbao beating Vinego.	07-19-2023 11:25:29 am
Trish in MA Gaudu paper-boying it up the hill	07-19-2023 11:25:30 am
Joanna in Virginia Great description, Trish.	07-19-2023 11:25:48 am
BusterSci So 1:40 or so for Bilbao. Â Let's see where Adam is	07-19-2023 11:26:13 am
Tim in KY Tomorrow is a flat stage with two Cat 4s.	07-19-2023 11:26:40 am
Katie S Pog drifts into the Rogland	07-19-2023 11:28:22 am
Trish in MA Talk about being "fought by men very fast" stage	07-19-2023 11:28:25 am

Tim in KY FDJ has had a lot of riders in the top 15.	07-19-2023 11:28:42 am
Charlie in Tenn 3:43 for A Yates. Bilboa moves ahead of him.	07-19-2023 11:28:58 am
BusterSci Wha? Â Don't think so.	07-19-2023 11:29:44 am
Charlie in Tenn Math is hard so I will wait.	07-19-2023 11:30:25 am
SFinAus Pog crawling painfully on last ramp.	07-19-2023 11:30:48 am
Trish in MA Pog almost stopped.	07-19-2023 11:30:50 am
Toulouse This last K seems cruel after everything that went ahead of it.	07-19-2023 11:31:20 am
BusterSci Charlie, there were almost 5 minutes between them. Â Yates is fine	07-19-2023 11:31:58 am
Katie S Soler pats Pog on his back as they cross the line	07-19-2023 11:32:26 am
Katie S crud	07-19-2023 11:32:37 am
Charlie in Tenn I must have seen a virtual list from during the race.	07-19-2023 11:32:45 am
Joanna in Virginia Pog's team around him offering support.	07-19-2023 11:32:57 am
BusterSci And Simon in 5th	07-19-2023 11:33:21 am
Trish in MA Wow, Ving 7'35" ahead of Pog	07-19-2023 11:33:29 am

Joanna in Virginia I think Charlie is unreachable in the Fantasy League, well done my friend!	07-19-2023 11:33:49 am
Katie S Gall left it all on the road. wow.	07-19-2023 11:35:31 am
Tim in KY I'm amaized Pog is still 2nd.	07-19-2023 11:35:35 am
mmcnally Two stages ago a 10 second gap and today one of the most lopsided GC standings in awhile.	07-19-2023 11:36:00 am
Charlie in Tenn We both have Vinge, Pog and Bilbao so it falls to everyone else. I have S yates and Rodriguez. You have Phillipsen. Your guys could win a stage or two this week and tighten it up.	07-19-2023 11:36:35 am
BusterSci You were top 2% yesterday.	07-19-2023 11:37:02 am
Katie S Gall is also overcome with gratitude and emotion	07-19-2023 11:37:18 am
BusterSci Prediction: Â Pog doesn't make it to Paris.	07-19-2023 11:37:27 am
mmcnally Nibali won by 7:37 in 2014. Long time since there has been this type of a gap between 1st and 2nd.	07-19-2023 11:37:55 am
Charlie in Tenn OK, I and the kids are traveling to Greenville SC in a few minutes. Another boardgame convention that is really more of a family reunion. I will check in through the week.	07-19-2023 11:38:06 am
Katie S If he's sick, I agree. Otherwise, I think pride will keep him in the peloton	07-19-2023 11:38:12 am
Tim in KY Probably not. I think he's too banged up chronically and acutely.	07-19-2023 11:38:24 am
Trish in MA Pog going to now try to do a long-distance attack, assuming that they will let him go.	t 07-19-2023 11:38:30 am

07-19-2023 11:38:39 am

BusterSci Right. Â I'm predicting he's not whole.

Joanna in Virginia This Gall interview is a highlight of the Tour.	07-19-2023 11:39:02 am
BusterSci I said on Twitter that all Pog needs is a shot of Jack Daniels on Saturday and he's off to yellow	07-19-2023 11:39:20 am
BusterSci Agree, Jo.	07-19-2023 11:39:31 am
Trish in MA Doesn't he had to do more than just that shot of Jack? Â If I recall, more than Jack was in that glass.	07-19-2023 11:40:32 am
Tim in KY Back to work.	07-19-2023 11:40:43 am
Katie S yup, me too.	07-19-2023 11:41:03 am
John Off to bike prep for the morning. See you all tomorrow	07-19-2023 11:41:07 am
Katie S and, agree, Jo, that interview was wonderful	07-19-2023 11:41:10 am
Katie S have fun, John.	07-19-2023 11:41:14 am
BusterSci Trish, the "Jack" should have been in scare quotes.	07-19-2023 11:41:47 am
Trish in MA I'm ignoring work, even though I am sitting at my desk. Â Glad I saw thisl	07-19-2023 11:42:23 am