



Tim in KY VaE Stage 6 is 158 kilometers from Requena, up on the central plateau, east to Valencia and then south to the castle high above Cullera on the Mediterranean coast.

08-18-2021
02:12:55 pm



Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1629310685-stage-6-route.jpg>

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02:13:06 pm



Tim in KY The first 74 kilometers are the descent off the plateau. The next 82 km are flat, including two loops through Cullera. The final two km are the steep climb to the finish at the castle.

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02:13:49 pm



Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1629310747-stage-6-profile.jpg>

08-18-2021
02:14:09 pm



Tim in KY The final climb is a Cat 3 averaging 9.4% with some double-digit ramps and four hairpins along the way. The last time this climb was raced, Pog beat Valverde to the top.

08-18-2021
02:15:11 pm



Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1629310821-stage-6-finale.jpg>

08-18-2021
02:15:23 pm



Tim in KY Kilometer zero is scheduled for 13:55. Live stream starts an hour later. Forecast is for dry roads with temps in the mid-20s.

08-18-2021
02:16:51 pm



Tim in KY Surprisingly, no DNF yesterday after that huge crash. And no word of any DNS today so far. Still only two abandons.

08-19-2021
07:26:19 am



Tim in KY This is "interesting": <https://www.ciclismointernacional.com/vuelta-a-espana-2021-stage-6-preview/>

08-19-2021
07:26:48 am



Tim in KY Especially the rice paddy.

08-19-2021
07:26:59 am



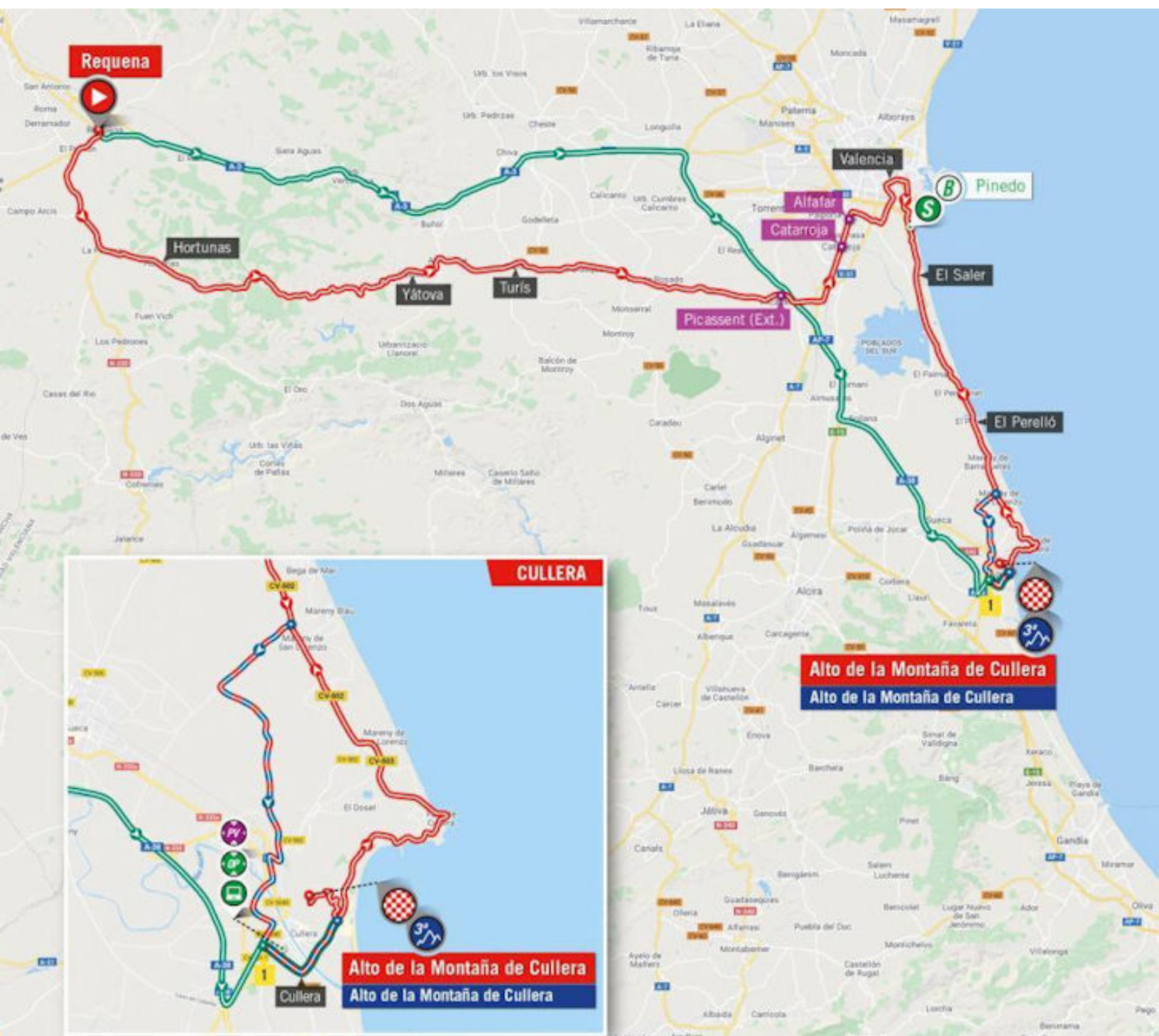
Tim in KY Neutral start is underway.

08-19-2021
07:52:15 am



Tim in KY While the break sorts out, and before the live stream, I have chores.

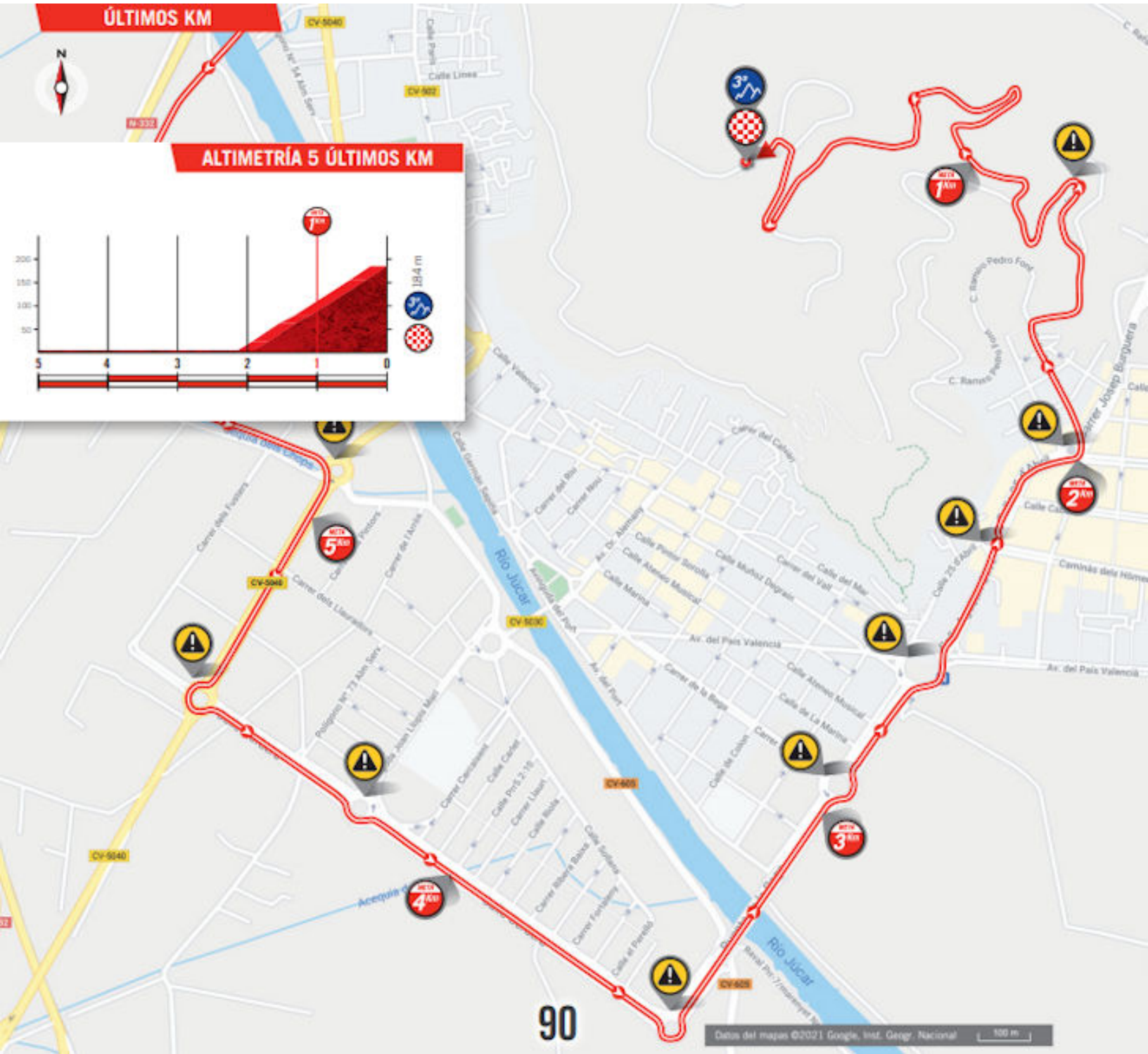
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08:02:49 am





ÚLTIMOS KM

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BusterSci Katie and ALiQ timed their arrival to the split second, it appears.

08-19-2021
08:30:53 am



Alison Quarles When I saw Neutral Start was underway I decided it was time.

08-19-2021
08:31:55 am



Katie S and we're wearing identical outfits

08-19-2021
08:32:03 am



Katie S Thanks for the link to the preview. When he writes "Horrible narrow road and a full-on crosswind, this is going to get messy" I am going to take it to mean "more fun to watch than the past two days."

08-19-2021
08:42:40 am



BusterSci I'm just a few minutes from heading out to get our houseguest and bring her parents to the airport. Don't know if I'll be back in time for the finish or not.

08-19-2021
08:45:07 am



Katie S put on your limo driver's cap

08-19-2021
08:48:10 am



BusterSci 40km and no break yet.

08-19-2021
08:48:36 am



Alison Quarles Where are you watching? I can't find it anywhere.

08-19-2021
08:49:24 am



BusterSci Just the standard text feeds from CN, the race organizer, and Twitter accounts.

08-19-2021
08:50:29 am



Alison Quarles Ah.

08-19-2021
08:50:45 am



Alison Quarles Why so late starting the stream this morning? Don't they know I have to leave at 9:30??

08-19-2021
08:51:17 am



Katie S here's the race center from lavuelta.com:
<https://racecenter.lavuelta.es/en/>

08-19-2021
08:51:19 am



Katie S Apparently they didn't get the memo, Ali

08-19-2021
08:51:29 am



Tim in KY No Video until now, AliQ. It's up on Peacock.

08-19-2021
08:51:46 am



Alison Quarles Well, I have all day tomorrow!

08-19-2021
08:52:30 am



Katie S and tomorrow has two cat 1s, two cat 2s and two cat 3s, so you're in luck! 08-19-2021
08:54:15 am



Tim in KY I guess everybody thinks the break will stick, because the fight to get in it has been going on for an hour. 08-19-2021
08:54:35 am



Tim in KY Looks like a break of five. The peloton has gone piano. 08-19-2021
08:56:45 am



Tim in KY Break: Jetse Bol (Burgos-BH), Magnus Cort (EF Education Nippo), Bert Jan Lindeman (Team Qhubeka NextHash), Joan Bou (Euskaltel-Euskadi) and Ryan Gibbons (UAE Team Emirates). Bol is best placed at 9:17. 08-19-2021
08:59:06 am



Tim in KY Bol not to be confused with Bou. 08-19-2021
08:59:37 am



Katie S as for the peloton, like this? 08-19-2021
09:01:38 am



Katie S <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1629378412-bike-piano.jpg> 08-19-2021
09:01:54 am



Alison Quarles :D 08-19-2021
09:02:27 am



BusterSci How long have you been saving that one, Katie? 08-19-2021
09:04:55 am



Charlie in Tenn Hi All. I have been doing my chores as well. We have ants. I think because we had so much rain lately. I have my bug spray out and have coated the outside near the kitchen. Hope this works. 08-19-2021
09:05:59 am



Katie S My mom pours hot sauce around her house. I don't recommend it. 08-19-2021
09:06:38 am





BusterSci I have great luck with Ortho Home Defense. Â But I don't think Minnesota ants are as persistent as those further south.

08-19-2021
09:06:49 am



BusterSci There's another Guy trying to get into the break.

08-19-2021
09:08:28 am



Tim in KY Gap is out to 4:31 with 3 KU to go.

08-19-2021
09:08:44 am



Charlie in Tenn So does Roglic let the break go? What about Movistar? They have Valverde. Since it looks a little like Fleche Wallonne, others that finished in the top 10 at Fleche Wallonne were Schachmann, Aranburu, Pidcock, and Crapass.

08-19-2021
09:09:02 am



Alison Quarles I use something by Amdro (for all ants). It's small dry pieces that you don't need to water. They carry them off to the ant hill.. it works very well. As soon as they hit the ground they pick them up and carry them off.

08-19-2021
09:10:23 am



BusterSci Nobody in the break is a long term danger. Â I think Rog is happy to stay out of red and doesn't care who gets it as long as they aren't GC threats. Other GC teams may have thoughts, but...

08-19-2021
09:10:45 am



BusterSci OK, I'm off. Â Have fun.

08-19-2021
09:11:05 am



Alison Quarles Terro is also really good for ants.

08-19-2021
09:12:25 am



Katie S We used to have a cat that was an ant early-warning system ... she loved to roll in them.

08-19-2021
09:12:28 am



Alison Quarles Oh dear.

08-19-2021
09:12:50 am



Katie S then one day they got together and carted her off

08-19-2021
09:12:58 am



Katie S (ok, that last post isn't really what happened)

08-19-2021
09:13:39 am



Alison Quarles No, but it was funny.

08-19-2021
09:14:02 am



Tim in KY Orange groves. Valencia, after all.

08-19-2021
09:14:19 am



Tim in KY Is anyone else hearing annoying reverberation on Peacock?

08-19-2021
09:15:14 am



Alison Quarles I'm good.

08-19-2021
09:15:39 am



Katie S i just hear some background wind/tires type sound

08-19-2021
09:15:54 am



Katie S We had valencia-tinted skies here yesterday. Today's SF Chronicle headline is "Thousands fleeing from state's raging blazes."

08-19-2021
09:16:44 am



Tim in KY The ambient is annoying, too, the reverb I'm hearing is the voices.

08-19-2021
09:18:16 am



Tim in KY Break needs more than 6:00 to stay away.

08-19-2021
09:19:06 am



Tim in KY About 10 km to the bottom of the long descent off the plateau.

08-19-2021
09:22:09 am



Tim in KY BEX has a rider up front helping Trek mind the gap. 6:47.

08-19-2021
09:28:25 am



Katie S Looks like wind around 15km/h and gusts of 30km/h (windy.com)

08-19-2021
09:29:05 am



Alison Quarles Off to work! More fun tomorrow. see you all then!

08-19-2021
09:30:25 am



Katie S Adios!

08-19-2021
09:31:30 am



John Good evening everyone

08-19-2021
09:36:27 am



Katie S hello, John. Just in time to see the peloton start to amp it up.

08-19-2021
09:37:48 am



Charlie in Tenn What are you drinking tonight as you watch the race? I am interested because it is 9:30 am and I should not join you for a few hours.

08-19-2021
09:39:13 am



Charlie in Tenn Doesn't seem like any of my riders want to get in a break this week. Maybe next week.

08-19-2021
09:41:00 am



Katie S I think this stringy peloton is going to start to break up because of the high pace being set at the front

08-19-2021
09:42:01 am



John I am honoring Spain and having a Rioja I picked up a duty free a few months ago

08-19-2021
09:42:07 am



John Good for 545pm, maybe not so much for 945am

08-19-2021
09:42:23 am



John Katie, if they're starting to amp it up, I assume there's been lots of paint drying thus far

08-19-2021
09:43:19 am



Katie S i'd say that's a fair assumption. The tension was whether the break would get established and how much time they needed ...(more than 6 minutes, Tim posited)

08-19-2021
09:44:18 am



Charlie in Tenn The break took forever to form so there was some excitement.

08-19-2021
09:45:24 am



Tim in KY BEX really doesn't want the break to stick. Which is dumb because it's not a Bing climb to that castle.

08-19-2021
09:48:31 am



bikerabe 5' gap 71 km

08-19-2021
09:49:03 am



Tim in KY Caja crash.

08-19-2021
09:49:24 am



Tim in KY Just at the fastest imaginable right now.

08-19-2021
09:49:49 am



Tim in KY 10 km to the sprint. Break will suck up all available points.

08-19-2021
09:51:17 am



Tim in KY 2 KU to go.

08-19-2021
09:56:00 am



Katie S and another Caja crash

08-19-2021
09:57:50 am



Katie S (same guy?)

08-19-2021
09:57:53 am



Tim in KY Same guy.Â Needs to be pulled.Â Something is wrong with him.

08-19-2021
09:59:39 am



Katie S didn't drink his OJ this morning

08-19-2021
09:59:54 am



Tim in KY Now BEX pulls off the front.

08-19-2021
10:03:57 am



Tim in KY Strong onshore wind.Â There will be splits.

08-19-2021
10:07:08 am



Tim in KY BEX is back.

08-19-2021
10:13:17 am



Tim in KY A Trek crashes at a roundabout.

08-19-2021
10:14:14 am



Charlie in Tenn Kirsch

08-19-2021
10:14:36 am



John Crash

08-19-2021
10:17:01 am



Tim in KY Bling goes down.

08-19-2021
10:17:26 am



Katie S yikes

08-19-2021
10:19:46 am



Tim in KY So far, there is a lot of vegetation protecting the peloton from the wind.

08-19-2021
10:19:46 am



Charlie in Tenn Sorry, I am trying to get an old laptop up to speed. Running virus checks and such. The kids will use it instead of mine if they need it for school. If I look away something happens. Go figure.

08-19-2021
10:20:37 am



Tim in KY BEX is still up front so it probably wasn't Matthews who crashed.

08-19-2021
10:21:05 am



Charlie in Tenn I think Calamity Jane should go for the win and try for the Jersey

08-19-2021
10:26:48 am



Tim in KY I think the left turn into the rice paddies is in about 4 km.

08-19-2021
10:27:06 am



John You know, Spain is not where I think of horn I think of rice paddies

08-19-2021
10:27:34 am



John *when

08-19-2021
10:27:39 am



Katie S I am inspired to consider making paella for supper

08-19-2021
10:28:04 am



John oooh, yum

08-19-2021
10:28:20 am



Charlie in Tenn If Calamity Jane tries, that means Trek has to try. So now everyone wants to win except Roglic but if they all pull Roglic is the favorite. Racing is funny.

08-19-2021
10:29:42 am



Tim in KY Left turn coming right up.

08-19-2021
10:34:52 am



Tim in KY 1 KU to go.

08-19-2021
10:38:51 am



John movi misses the first split

08-19-2021
10:39:18 am



Tim in KY But, there's a 90 degree turn coming and the wind will change.

08-19-2021
10:40:25 am



Charlie in Tenn Racing now.

08-19-2021
10:40:27 am



Charlie in Tenn Yates missed the cut. Ineos not helping.

08-19-2021
10:42:05 am



Tim in KY Here's "the nasty little road."

08-19-2021
10:42:09 am



Tim in KY They have to do this loop again before the final climb.

08-19-2021
10:45:18 am



John Here's hoping the splits stick next time around. Makes for better racing.

08-19-2021
10:46:14 am



Charlie in Tenn Kenny missed the break.

08-19-2021
10:47:21 am



Charlie in Tenn Looks like it is all back together again.

08-19-2021
10:49:02 am



Tim in KY ASO ticker says it's altogether except the original break.

08-19-2021
10:49:30 am



Tim in KY 25 km banner.

08-19-2021
10:50:35 am



Charlie in Tenn Yep, the break is still out there. Sorry.

08-19-2021
10:50:48 am



Tim in KY Not very far out. Gap is 2:00

08-19-2021
10:52:27 am



Charlie in Tenn Plus this is a circuit. They will go around that same area again. Winds will come from all directions at some point.

08-19-2021
10:53:29 am



Toulouse Okay, I have finally clued into the part where it is August. Let the Vuelta begin!

08-19-2021
10:58:22 am



Charlie in Tenn Welcome.

08-19-2021
10:58:48 am



John Nice beach art

08-19-2021
10:59:53 am



Mikey Good Morning

08-19-2021
11:01:23 am



Tim in KY Hi, Mikey.

08-19-2021
11:01:55 am



John Hi Mikey

08-19-2021
11:02:04 am



Tim in KY Looks like the peloton is splitting again.

08-19-2021
11:02:24 am



Charlie in Tenn Carthy at the back

08-19-2021
11:03:48 am



Katie S Greetings, Toulouse and Mikey

08-19-2021
11:04:33 am



Tim in KY Same story as Le Tour. My climbers crap out.

08-19-2021
11:05:51 am



John Damn. I have him too.

08-19-2021
11:06:35 am



Charlie in Tenn Carthy 1:26 behind the break.

08-19-2021
11:09:58 am



Charlie in Tenn about 25 secs behind the pack

08-19-2021
11:10:14 am



Toulouse What happened to Phil? This sounds like Bob and Christian.

08-19-2021
11:10:29 am



Tim in KY Carthy getting close.

08-19-2021
11:10:51 am



Tim in KY But worn out.

08-19-2021
11:10:57 am



John He needs some serious recovery tonight

08-19-2021
11:12:05 am



John His team is going to have nothing left

08-19-2021
11:12:15 am



Tim in KY Tomorrow is not a restful day.

08-19-2021
11:12:45 am



Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1629386276-stage-7-profile.jpg>

08-19-2021
11:12:57 am



BusterSci Is MC Nielsen a rapper?

08-19-2021
11:13:05 am



Katie S uff da, ya

08-19-2021
11:13:48 am



Charlie in Tenn Go Kenny

08-19-2021
11:15:33 am



Tim in KY Climb starts with 2 km to go.

08-19-2021
11:15:45 am



BusterSci "Uff da" Katie? Â Are you practicing your Minnesotan?

08-19-2021
11:16:23 am



Katie S ya you betcha

08-19-2021
11:16:37 am



Mikey 70kph

08-19-2021
11:17:16 am



Charlie in Tenn Flashbacks to " Fargo "

08-19-2021
11:17:19 am



Katie S For years there has been a wooden fishing boat in dry dock down at our local harbor christened Uff Da.

08-19-2021
11:17:25 am



John Fargo the movie and season 1 of the TV series were great entertainment

08-19-2021
11:18:16 am



Mikey Gap nearly gone

08-19-2021
11:19:50 am



Tim in KY At the fastest imaginable time.

08-19-2021
11:19:52 am





Charlie in Tenn strung out

08-19-2021
11:20:16 am



Katie S on the climb ...

08-19-2021
11:20:28 am



John Ineos drops Yates

08-19-2021
11:20:40 am



Katie S Richie Rich Carapaz in his golden helmet

08-19-2021
11:20:50 am



Tim in KY Carthy is cooked. Surprise.

08-19-2021
11:21:26 am



John Kenny drops

08-19-2021
11:21:29 am



Mikey Kenny cooked

08-19-2021
11:22:17 am



Mikey Only two left

08-19-2021
11:22:25 am



Mikey Can I just thank God for Movistar

08-19-2021
11:23:11 am



Katie S Cool climb

08-19-2021
11:23:12 am



John Matthews up front?

08-19-2021
11:23:32 am



John 500m

08-19-2021
11:23:42 am



John Wow

08-19-2021
11:24:46 am



Tim in KY Holy Maceral!

08-19-2021
11:25:22 am



Mikey Did Rog back off and gift the win?

08-19-2021
11:25:46 am



Katie S Nice, Tim!

08-19-2021
11:25:52 am



Katie S (uh, negatory, Mikey)

08-19-2021
11:26:03 am



Tim in KY Rog never gifted crap.

08-19-2021
11:26:19 am



John Didn't look like it Mikey

08-19-2021
11:26:24 am



Katie S maybe more of an "eff da" situation when he knew he didn't have it.

08-19-2021
11:26:28 am



John Rog needed another 100m of road

08-19-2021
11:26:48 am



Mikey That was pretty exciting

08-19-2021
11:27:03 am



Katie S Now, I'll agree with you there, Bison!

08-19-2021
11:27:15 am



bikerabe great to see another win from the break !

08-19-2021
11:27:18 am



Charlie in Tenn That should rearrange the GC

08-19-2021
11:27:22 am



Mikey I want to see a replay.....

08-19-2021
11:27:34 am



Tim in KY Just guessing, Cort most aggressive?

08-19-2021
11:27:49 am



Charlie in Tenn Ineos seems to lose out.

08-19-2021
11:28:23 am



John Hannah with the quote of the day: all those Movistar riders at the start of the climb, and they amounted to nothing

08-19-2021
11:28:26 am



Mikey Tough call John

08-19-2021
11:29:04 am



BusterSci There's a gift, and there's a "I did what I need to do."

08-19-2021
11:29:09 am



Katie S a win-win

08-19-2021
11:29:25 am



Tim in KY Mas came in 5th and Valverde 8th. That;'s not "nothing".

08-19-2021
11:29:37 am



Charlie in Tenn I think Roglic just rode hard enough to beat all of the GC hopefuls.r second.

08-19-2021
11:30:58 am



John Me too Charlie

08-19-2021
11:31:11 am



Charlie in Tenn Movi did much better than Ineos.

08-19-2021
11:31:26 am



John Rog measured his effort

08-19-2021
11:31:26 am



bikerabe Bou most combative

08-19-2021
11:31:36 am



BusterSci BOU! Â BOU!

08-19-2021
11:31:55 am



Tim in KY How was Bou "most combative"? Yeah, I know. He's Spanish.

08-19-2021
11:32:22 am



BusterSci I'm ok. If Rog had taken the stage then Cort would have gotten it. Spread the wealth.

08-19-2021
11:33:57 am



Katie S ayup

08-19-2021
11:33:58 am



Mikey Rog Mas Lopez GC?

08-19-2021
11:33:59 am

General classification after Stage 6.

3m

RNK.	RIDER	TEAM	TIME
1	 ROGLIČ Primož	Team Jumbo-Visma	21:04:49
2	 MAS Enric	Movistar Team	0:25
3	 LÓPEZ Miguel Ángel	Movistar Team	0:36
4	 VALVERDE Alejandro	Movistar Team	0:41
5	 BERNAL Egan	INEOS Grenadiers	0:41
6	 VLASOV Aleksandr	Astana - Premier Tech	0:53
7	 CICCONE Giulio	Trek - Segafredo	0:58
8	 CALMEJANE Lilian	AG2R Citroën Team	1:04
9	 LANDA Mikel	Bahrain - Victorious	1:12
10	 ARU Fabio	Team Qhubeka NextHash	1:17
11	 YATES Adam	INEOS Grenadiers	1:22
12	 POLANC Jan	UAE-Team Emirates	1:42
13	 SOTO Antonio Jesús	Euskaltel - Euskadi	1:55
14	 LÓPEZ Juan Pedro	Trek - Segafredo	2:05
15	 GROSSSCHARTNER Felix	BORA - hansgrohe	2:09

Pos.	Rider Name (Country) Team	Result
1	Magnus Cort (Den) EF Education-Nippo	3:30:53
2	Primož Roglic (Slo) Jumbo-Visma	
3	Andrea Bagioli (Ita) Deceuninck-QuickStep	0:00:02
4	Aleksandr Vlasov (Rus) Astana-Premier Tech	0:00:04
5	Enric Mas Nicolau (Spa) Movistar Team	
6	Michael Matthews (Aus) Team BikeExchange	0:00:06
7	Egan Bernal Gomez (Col) Ineos Grenadiers	0:00:08
8	Alejandro Valverde (Spa) Movistar Team	
9	Miguel Angel Lopez Moreno (Col) Movistar Team	0:00:09
10	Felix Grossschartner (Aut) Bora-Hansgrohe	0:00:16



Tim in KY Time to move on.

08-19-2021
11:34:12 am



John Rog Mas Lopez Valverde

08-19-2021
11:34:15 am



John See you tomorrow for what should be another GC shakeup

08-19-2021
11:34:53 am



Mikey Bah

08-19-2021
11:35:01 am



Charlie in Tenn <https://rumbletalk-images->

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08-19-2021
11:35:23 am



Charlie in Tenn Seems like Movi came out really well.

08-19-2021
11:36:11 am



Charlie in Tenn <https://rumbletalk-images->

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11:39:54 am