



Tim in KY TdF Stage 21 is the usual desultory meander through the outskirts of Paris culminating in eight laps around the Champs-Élysées. Total distance is 115 kilometers.

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Tim in KY Start is scheduled for 16:00 CET (10:00 EDT). Entry into Paris via the Bois de Boulogne should be at about 18:00 CET (noon EDT). Finish is imagined just after 19:00 CET (1:00 EDT). Live stream from the start. Forecast is for another warm sunny day.

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Donny Thanks again Tim, for this day and everyday. Fantastic as always

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Donny Now if I could figure a way to drink champagne on my bike and average 40 kph for a 115 km, I'd be set.

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Tim in KY You're welcome, Donny. But I do it for myself as much as anyone else.

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Tim in KY I don't think they drink the champagne at 40 kph. That's why the meander takes so f-ing long.

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BusterSci the Velocast guys suggested today that in the future, instead of starting outside of Paris and then just going up and down the Champs, this stage should climb to Sacre Coeur as part of the circuit. See more of Paris and make it a race stage instead of a freakin' procession.

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Tim in KY I will be at church when the meander starts, I should be back for the circuit.

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BusterSci Frau prepping the strawberries and whipped cream for crepes.

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mcnally_mi Look forward to seeing the pictures, Buster!

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bikerabe way back in '87 when Roche won, he actually lost 20 seconds on final stage. I'm reviewing it on Youtube with 31 year younger Phil

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Katie S Morning' all ... imagine, time to read the newspaper before coverage starts! What a luxury.

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BusterSci I'm looking forward to being able to start on the deck work at 8 instead of 11. More work in cooler temperatures...I should get most of it done next week.

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bikerabe Modern Times you know you're old if you read a paper newspaper

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09:19:34



Tim in KY No bike race intrusions next week.

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09:19:36



Katie S Ah, being a fan of the Tour ... such a heavy mantle

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09:19:58



Tim in KY I will probably have to power wash the patio.

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09:21:10



BusterSci I'm happy to pay for newspaper access online, but I don't read on paper because by the time I get it it's yesterday's news. And I can't zoom in to read the print when my eyes are being evil.

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bikerabe Next Saturday Tour de Pologne starts, for those how care

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Tim in KY We still get the local paper delivered, but I've usually read it on line before it arrives. We only get the Times on line.

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BusterSci I certainly won't be ignoring it.

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09:24:48



Tim in KY I'm going to take a break until la Vuelta.


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Katie S i like the paper paper. I like the ability to flip through the pages, searching quickly for things that of interest or things I didn't know I was


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interested in. There's no algorithm actng like a tour guide as I peruse the pages. I am glad, however, that the ink no longer rubs off.

 **BusterSci** I consider this period a semi-break. I won't ignore races, but I'm not interested in opening the Pub between the Grand Tours. 29-Jul-2018 09:28:09

 **bikerabe** that's fine Buster 29-Jul-2018 09:28:54

 **Charles Davis** Here is what I want to see today. --As G is about to receive the big trophy, Froome grabs it, yells "it's Mine, It's Mine!" jumps down, looks right, left, right and then starts to run away. -- 29-Jul-2018 09:29:05

 **BusterSci** In kind of an Andy Serkis way? 29-Jul-2018 09:30:44


 **bikerabe** My Precious My Precious 29-Jul-2018 09:31:11


 **Katie S** stream's up 29-Jul-2018 09:31:17

 **Katie S** well, the build-up 29-Jul-2018 09:31:29


 **Charles Davis** Yes, to Buster. 29-Jul-2018 09:31:49













 **BusterSci** He's got the knees and elbows to pull off Gollum. 29-Jul-2018 09:32:28

 **BusterSci** Caley Fretz has a nice little vignette of Froome and G at the post stage press conference over at Cyclingtips. 29-Jul-2018 09:33:15

 **SFinAtx** Good day all. Just picked up my Sunday paper. Looks like a local legendary BBQ is not living up to its legend. Can 29-Jul-2018 09:38:56

 **SFinAtx** 't wait to see what else has happened this week. 29-Jul-2018 09:39:13

 **Marc @ Toad Hall** Tim, your "desultory meander" phrase is just perfect! 29-Jul-2018 09:40:28

-  **SFinAtx** I missed being here the past week. Talk about week long work travel, program review, and 'professional' socializing all took a deep toll on my preferred activities. I missed hanging out here. Seems like I didn't get to really enjoy the full Tour. 29-Jul-2018 09:41:56
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-  **BusterSci** Which one is that, SF? (BBQ?) 29-Jul-2018 09:43:55
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-  **SFinAtx** "Up in smoke, Lockhart barbecue doesn't live up to legend" 29-Jul-2018 09:45:13
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-  **Katie S** There's always the Pub archive, SF ... though we missed your participation! I have a week of business travel coming up beginning tomorrow ... but since I had control of the timing, I timed it to perfection... 29-Jul-2018 09:45:39
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-  **Katie S** Great headlien 29-Jul-2018 09:45:45
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-  **Katie S** or headline 29-Jul-2018 09:45:49
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-  **SFinAtx** Ah, actually they're talking about all of the big three in that li'l town - Black's, Smitty's, and Kreuz Market. Now that's brave journalism. 29-Jul-2018 09:47:14
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-  **SFinAtx** Thank's Katie. I do rely on the archive and enjoy that as a backup. Hope your trip goes well too 29-Jul-2018 09:48:04
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-  **BusterSci** SF, what's your take on Franklin? My best friend is a fan of his book. 29-Jul-2018 09:48:13
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-  **SFinAtx** I've only had Franklin's brisket and sausage once, and just a couple of months ago at that. I would say it's top tier for sure. The Best? Worth standing in line to possibly get some in 3-4 hours - not for me. 29-Jul-2018 09:52:58
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-  **Katie S** Case in point on my earlier comment about finding unexpected stories in the paper. This is great:
<https://www.nytimes.com/2018/07/26/nyregion/grandstand-scorekeeper-roots-for-extra-innings.html> (hope you can see it) 29-Jul-2018 09:53:35
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-  **SFinAtx** I do like Aaron Franklin's take on things though. He knows what he doing, does it consistently and by all accounts is a great guy. I'd just rather go somewhere else, eat great BBQ, and come home in less than 3 hours. 29-Jul-2018 09:55:04
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SFinAtx As it was, we had company coming to town and they really wanted to try Franklin's. We found out you can order a 5lb brisket to go. So we did that, but even then you have snag a reservation 6 weeks in advance.

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BusterSci Yeah, lines aren't my thing either. But I'd road trip down there with my bud just to make him happy. I haven't had Texas BBQ (since I haven't been to Texas and I don't believe you can export BBQ to other regions.)

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bikerabe reading about 92 yr old scorekeeper. She tells drunk fans to Shut Up so she can hear her old transistor radio that she holds to left ear while writing with right hand.

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SFinAtx Great story. Thanks, Katie.

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Mons Soseman Good morning all. Back after two Masses. One already "in the books."

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Katie S Abe, she's needed up among the eejits in the Alps and Pyrenees.

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BusterSci My gold feed just came up

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Tim in KY Bike race yet?

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BusterSci Intro

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bikerabe no not til they get to the Champs

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BusterSci Heli shots

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SFinAtx I've got my bidons filled with champagne, and am heading out to ride and shake off conference-room-chair-itis. Should be back for the finale. In case I'm not, a big thank you to Jo, Buster, Tim and all the Nuts for keeping the Pub community going. Best wishes with basements, decks, and life in general until August.

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BusterSci Rolling up to the start

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Katie S is that Chavanel with the Red Number prize?

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BusterSci Dan Martin

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Katie S who's the Minion on the start line?

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Katie S why's he there? (And ngood on Dan Martin!)

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BusterSci Chava, but because his record for Frenchman in the tour.

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BusterSci He got a cake for spending 365 days of his life on the Tour.

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Katie S didn't even get a commemorative T-shirt?

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bikerabe Dan Martin won supercombative for the Tour yesterday

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Katie S OK, here's my pathetic approach at a final-day limerick:

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BusterSci Pedaleur de Charme T shirt.

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Katie S There once was a rider named Geraint

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Katie S Whose role was mainly knight errant

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Katie S Then he ended up in yellow

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Katie S And managed to stay mellow

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Katie S And now he's in Paris wearin' it

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10:18:24



bikerabe very good Katie

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10:18:46



bikerabe Dan says maybe he'll attack km 0

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BusterSci G has a history of not staying upright, which nearly manifested itself yesterday in a corner. So what if he takes a tumble today and can't finish on his own? I ask not because I want this to happen, because I like the guy. I'm more interested in what changes this from being a processional to being a race? If Sunweb were to attack in such a situation, would it be unfair? I really hate this wasted stage.

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Marc @ Toad Hall Tim nailed this stage with two words.

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BusterSci On another note...

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Trish in MA //rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1532875045-1532874745395.jpeg

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Trish in MA I saw that all of you who were on Gold were bombarded with many quiche charts. So, today, I give you the final quiche chart.

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BusterSci Trish wins.

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BusterSci Not sure what she wins, but I'll make something up.

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bikerabe my limerick attempt

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bikerabe There once was a rider named G A superdomestique was he But Le Tour has no mercy In the Alps G got Yellow Jersey And we hope he

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finishes risk-free



BusterSci I like. Anybody else? Let's theme it to our winner.

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mcnally_mi here is my go ...

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mcnally_mi G took the crown from the king Now he gets to wear the yellow bling But still lurking is Froomy Who's stomach is surely turning Next years Tour will not be drama free

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Trish in MA And mine

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Trish in MA There once was a rider named G A perfect Welsh speaker was he He went up and down hills Following some wheels Saying not Whee! But Olwyn!

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BusterSci Using a different pronunciation than Katie: There was a Welsh cyclist, Geraint / Who was used by his team as a feint / Now he stands above Doom / And Cristopher Froome / While we're forced to all watch drying paint.

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Carlene in NH I liked that one!

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bikerabe very good Buster

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Katie S All most excellent!

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BusterSci Both Giro and Tour courses beckoned / He could win them both, Tommy reckoned / An attack from long range / And a leadership change / Made him finish both races in second.

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Katie S Quick question: Friends gathered here want to know if there's a weight limit on the bikes nowadays.

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BusterSci Yes

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BusterSci 6.8kg

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Trish in MA I confess that yes, I love beer / But oh it is tortuous to hear /
The stuff being shilled / As beer it is billed... / As dreck it has nary a peer

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Katie S what is that in Murican

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BusterSci 15

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Katie S Yes, trish! Tortuous to hear!

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bikerabe 2.2 lb. x 6.8 = 14.96 lb

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BusterSci Interestingly enough, it's actually calculated as 15 pounds converted to kg. You'd think an organization like the UCI would pick a simple metric weight, but the weight chosen started as 15 pounds. (A more exact conversion of 6.8kg is 14.9914 pounds.)

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bikerabe limerick from sister, Lug name versajan: There was Welsh cyclist named G Ten years ago 140 was he Now he's Number One His career is not done In the future more podia we'll see

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BusterSci Not bad at all.

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BusterSci Meaning, I like it!

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BusterSci What's slower, the race or our NRRBBB?

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Katie S ayup

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Katie S HORSES

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Katie S ...speaking of, where's Jo?

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bikerabe Great tweet from Cavendish about Geraint so deserving of Tour win

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Slaughter MacDuff Just sticking my head in to say hi. We've been trying to get out of the house all morning. Finally stopped raining in NY. It's a total beach day.

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BusterSci Froome and Prudhomme having a little chat.

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BusterSci I suspect that was a bit of "Chris, we're glad you're here and that you raced. I hope you understand that we took the action we did to keep you off the race in order to force the UCI's hand, not because we didn't want you here."

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Marc @ Toad Hall Finally got Gold feed. You folk are the best chums to share cycling with. Who else shares limericks and recipes? Can we meet again before the Vuelta?

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Mons Soseman Thanksgiving is usually the day I acknowledge what I am thankful for. On this last day of the Tour, and in the 7 minutes before my next obligation, I want to say that I thank Joanna, most of all, for giving us the space... Thanks to Tim and Buster for keeping us update and moving things right along. I was amazed by the resilience of Craddock, and gratified by the championship of Geraint Thomas. I was never much for the English, or pseudoEnglish, but the Welsh are fine in my book. I still hope to see great things from Mark Cavendish, but would not be surprised if we don't. I hope that Sagan perseveres but he is such a free spirit, that I could certainly see him chucking it all.

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Mons Soseman I have always liked France, but wish the Tour, like the other Grand Tours, might be a bit more focussed. I don't like these long transfers, but ah well. I loved Donny's analogy of watching flat stages to watching a soccer game, hours of mind numbing boredom followed by an exploded three or four minutes at the end...

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Mons Soseman I rue the day that I lit candles for Charles to become a lawyer, but am so very pleased he is one, and pray that he does great work. I am so very grateful for our international group of friends, while I wish we could reconnect with Kenya and Cancun.

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Mons Soseman I had a passion for cycling long before the primitive LUG on those other sites, and continue that passion today. I enjoy sharing it all with you.

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bikerabe love those stoppage time winning goals !

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Mons Soseman I am trying to work out mileage to get to Australia in January, and it just struck me yesterday that I should try to make a stage or two of the Tour Down Under, or whatever they are calling it this year. I have a promise to visit Perth, so I may visit both Australias :)

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Mons Soseman If any of our people there want to have lunch or something, keep in touch through LUGnuts, and I will post my plans.

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Katie S Thank you for the tributes above, Mons. Nice.

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11:38:08



Marc @ Toad Hall Agreed, Mons. Let's all bless Mr. Pelkey for leading us together, and bless Joanna for giving us this space, and bless Buster, Tim, and others who keep us in touch.

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BusterSci Watching Gold, my two favorite Aussie pronunciations are "Day-boo" and "shad-oh". As in, "She had her day-boo at the 18th century shad-oh."

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Joanna in New York My client is done showing, and I am pleased to report she won her class!

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Katie S Hey everyone, Jo and David are here!

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BusterSci I lost my class years ago.

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BusterSci If I ever had any

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David Stanley My smoker was balky this morning, took a while to get the coals going properly. But the ribs should be ready around 6:30 EDT, if you're in the neighborhood.

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Joanna in New York I want to report that thanks to the generosity of the Nuts, we are funded through Le Tour, and already nearly halfway funded through next Tour! You are wonderful!

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BusterSci What kind of smoker, DStan?

29-Jul-2018
11:44:59



bikerabe Tour Down Under should start 1-15-19 in Adelaide hope you can be MOTS, Mons

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David Stanley Jt's an old Brinkman. Probably it's last season. You can see through the pinholes burnt in to the metal.

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Marc @ Toad Hall Gawd! > 2 KUs left at 10k/h! DS: I'm in your time zone.

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BusterSci I switched to a UDS about 4 years ago. Love it.

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bikerabe time for a limerick Joanna?

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Joanna in New York I have to go as I have volunteer duties now, but want to thank you all for your participation! I love this Pub! See you in Spain!

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Katie S //rumbletalk-images-

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Katie S I present to you, Julia Child's Gateaux de Crepes a la Florentine...

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Katie S thanks to Frau for the encouragement

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Joanna in New York Hmmmm, a limerick, let me think.

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BusterSci Jummy!

29-Jul-2018
11:47:28



BusterSci I thank Frau for the extra 25 pounds I carry around.

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Trish in MA Katie, lovely!

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Marc @ Toad Hall Oh Katie, one of my faves. I met Julia once at age 10. She intimidated me. Seen "Julie & Julia?"

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David Stanley Marc - slide on by. If you come, please bring some beer. As a smoker, I must have one near. Amber ale< ah, that's nice. We can keep them on ice.And if not,

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David Stanley We drink fast, have no fear. (hit send too soon.)

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Joanna in New York As we come to the end of Le Tour/I'm happy to say there'll be more/We'll meet once again/To follow in Spain/A race that we all do adore,

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Katie S I have, Marc. Really enjoyed that movie.

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Trish in MA //rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1532879707-1532879407313.jpeg

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Trish in MA I finally finished my 2015 Tour de France knitting project. It ended up 11 feet long. You can read about it here:
<http://ravel.me/EthelandFred/oi6lq>

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Joanna in New York Best I could summon on demand. :-)

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David Stanley Trush, that is Hors Awesome.

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bikerabe Meanwhile NBC Gold also showing London-Surrey Classic Bling is in the breakaway it's raining Cav is in the race

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Joanna in New York Ciao Nuts!

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Trish in MA Thank you, Jo!

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bikerabe Thx Jo !

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Joanna in New York XOXO

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Joanna in New York You are all VERY welcome!

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Marc @ Toad Hall Jo, uou're the best!

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Tim in KY I am not a fan of La Defense.

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Katie S Trish, nice work! Thought you would appreciate another knitting project. Someone has decorated the mail box in front of our post office:

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Katie S //rumbletalk-images-

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Marc @ Toad Hall Way cool.

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David Stanley adieu, Jo

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Trish in MA That is great! So clever.

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BusterSci If the meter and rhyme don't quite stick / You can't write a good limerick / Anapests are the way / Rhyme A A B B A / But to do it all right, that's the trick.

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Katie S is Sylvain Chavanel getting a ceremonial out-in-front tour of the Champs?

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BusterSci Agree, Tim, on La Defense. But my favorite line about Paris architecture is that the best view in Paris is from the Montparnasse tower, because it's the only place you can be certain not to see the Montparnasse tower.

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David Stanley I keep seeing ads for Wheels-Up jet rental on my NBC sports feed. They must have us confused with the GOLF Channel. I wonder how much one has to fly in order to make a Lear rental pay off? And katie - he sure should.

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Katie S would that be Edward Lear?

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Marc @ Toad Hall The poor Aussies on Gold are running out of words. DS: at least we do not have to endure those misplaced Lincoln ads from the Sports Channel two decades ago.

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David Stanley Oh, my. "Mine's the Lincoln."

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Trish in MA //rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1532880317-tdf%20yarn%20bike.jpg

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Trish in MA I may have to use this as my new avatar.

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Tim in KY Lots of gendarmes.

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BusterSci DStan, I think WheelsUp is hoping to catch some corporate clients. While it's insanely expensive for the likes of us, compared to a corporate jet it can be very reasonable for a moderately sized corporation.

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Tim in KY JuJu has a mechanical.

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David Stanley Alaphillipe swapping bikes. Must need the one with the bigger motor.

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bikerabe *Ala changes bike preserves that polka dot bike*

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12:01:57



David Stanley *BusterSci - My sister works way up high for a major Vegas corporation. She says the time saved alone pays the bill*

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BusterSci *New T-shirt from the Velocast*

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Katie S *it's the tour, man*

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Katie S ???

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Katie S awesome

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KinPA Post champagne # 1 (of 2) for the day was downed this morning.
Post what you ask? Post this...

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BusterSci I'll take the Juju shirt.

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bikerabe Learjet rentals: from Russian immigrant wi-

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12:05:33



David Stanley Those are cool. BTW_ Le Bretteur is a very tasty ale by Michigan's own Bell's Brewery

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12:05:41



BusterSci Bell's makes good stuff.

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12:05:58



BusterSci Chava gets his lap, BTW.

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Marc @ Toad Hall Let's hear it for Craddock!

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12:06:55



Trish in MA Love those T-shirts.

29-Jul-2018
12:07:09



bikerabe sorry Russian immigrant writer to US The world is divided into High Net Worth people and Low Net Worth people.

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12:07:21



BusterSci <https://shop.velocast.cc/collections/all> if you're interested

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12:08:31



BusterSci Scott O'Raw does some good design. He also has done animations for Argyle in the past.

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12:08:55



Tim in KY Sprint come on the third lap.

29-Jul-2018
12:10:16



David Stanley Excited for Taylor Phinney to be in the break.

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12:11:31



BusterSci Donny! The Juju t-shirt (above) made me wonder where you were.

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BusterSci DStan, he's totally chill with it.

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12:11:54



David Stanley As you just saw, Jeff Pierce from Dearborn, MI was the last US rider to win on the Champs. Steve bauer in 2nd. Pierce was just name the director of Elite athlete development for USA cycling.

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12:12:25



Katie S hey, didn't the french airforce not get the memo about smoke flares?

29-Jul-2018
12:12:26



Marc @ Toad Hall Why #6 for Sagan?

29-Jul-2018
12:12:31



BusterSci Good one, Katie

29-Jul-2018
12:12:51



BusterSci 6th green jersey. Ties a record

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12:13:01



Katie S Zebe;

29-Jul-2018
12:13:10



Katie S Zabel's record, yes?

29-Jul-2018
12:13:20



Marc @ Toad Hall Thanks, Buster.

29-Jul-2018
12:13:35



BusterSci Yup, Zabel

29-Jul-2018
12:14:13



BusterSci Kelly had 4

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BusterSci Robbie, Merckx, Maertens, Abdoujaparov and Janssen with 3

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12:15:06



Marc @ Toad Hall In what year did the green jersey begin?

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12:15:27



BusterSci Zabel's were consecutive, too.

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12:15:32



BusterSci 55

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12:15:45



BusterSci 1955, that is.

29-Jul-2018
12:15:51



Marc @ Toad Hall Sagan's were not.

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12:17:49



BusterSci Nope.

29-Jul-2018
12:19:05



Marc @ Toad Hall I'd like to see TD take a shot at the hour record.

29-Jul-2018
12:21:16



David Stanley GReat bit about Porino's moto driver - his first race on the moto, 1984, with the incredible photographer Graham Watson on the back at Paris-Nice. Who won that race? Why, Sean Kelly, that;s who.

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12:22:37



bikerabe that moto driver is a DUDE

29-Jul-2018
12:25:27



BusterSci Chava says he wants to be a moto driver after retirement.

29-Jul-2018
12:25:34



David Stanley *Best moustache in TV?*

29-Jul-2018
12:25:44



Katie S *he wouldn't need a headlamp. His teeth would light the way.*

29-Jul-2018
12:25:58



David Stanley *A racing buddy of mine retired from cycling in our early 30s and took up rally racing.*

29-Jul-2018
12:26:52



mcnally_mi *<https://twitter.com/sporino/status/1018442174969602048>*

29-Jul-2018
12:26:55



David Stanley *Excellent, Mr. McNally. that's bad-ass.*

29-Jul-2018
12:27:32



David Stanley *Gap is growing out past 30 seconds with 20 miles to go.*

29-Jul-2018
12:28:17



Tim in KY *I wish they would leave the Ferris wheel there all year instead of junking up the Place de la Concorde six months a year.*

29-Jul-2018
12:30:11



David Stanley *Who mentioned Tom Doom going for the Hour? Man, that'd be a great idea. Perfect posture on a bike, massive motor. money from Sunweb to fine tune man and machine.*

29-Jul-2018
12:30:53



BusterSci *I suspect Sunweb would rather not spend that money. Really not much for sponsors out of an hour records attempt, unless you're a bike or equipment sponsor.*

29-Jul-2018
12:33:15



David Stanley *Gap at 36 seconds but Bora and FDJ at the front.*

29-Jul-2018
12:33:43



Tim in KY *Bora leading the chase now. That man doesn't know when to leave well enough alone.*

29-Jul-2018
12:34:11



bikerabe *I liked watching Spartacus, Jensie and then BBSW go after hour record.*

29-Jul-2018
12:34:13



Katie S *of course, then there's Robert Marchand's hour record...*

29-Jul-2018
12:34:49



BusterSci *Agree, bikerabe.*

29-Jul-2018
12:35:28



BusterSci I also need to watch more track racing. it's just hard to find if you're not actively looking for it.

29-Jul-2018
12:36:28



BusterSci Phinney mechanical

29-Jul-2018
12:38:10



BusterSci Discs.

29-Jul-2018
12:38:17



BusterSci He'll have to catch on the peloton now

29-Jul-2018
12:38:29



BusterSci Matt and Robbie really were railing on Moscon for a while there.

29-Jul-2018
12:38:49



bikerabe as long as British Cycling has a good track team Eurosport will cover it.

29-Jul-2018
12:38:54



Katie S ?

29-Jul-2018
12:39:40



Katie S Phinney having real trouble, sitting on the top tube for stability now

29-Jul-2018
12:39:40



David Stanley BusterSci - Track racing is a YouTube thing. As a track racer, I am always happy for the YouTube. Phinney's seat tube rattled loose. Trying to get it fixed car-side.

29-Jul-2018
12:39:47



bikerabe Katie S, looked up Marchand, incredible!

29-Jul-2018
12:39:54



Katie S Wonder if Sagz is riding his discs or calipers

29-Jul-2018
12:39:57



bikerabe wheel changes suck with discs

29-Jul-2018
12:41:03

















BusterSci Phinney in between

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12:41:19



Tim in KY Buster, did you know they are redoing the exterior of le Tour Montparnasse? <https://www.dezeen.com/2017/09/20/tour-montparnasse->

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-  **BusterSci** *It still doesn't belong, but that's a lot better. At least it has visual interest.* 29-Jul-2018 12:42:55
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-  **BusterSci** *Phinney makes it back!* 29-Jul-2018 12:43:00
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-  **BusterSci** *41s now for the break.* 29-Jul-2018 12:43:09
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-  **BusterSci** *Phinney handled that in a very chill manner.* 29-Jul-2018 12:43:35
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-  **David Stanley** *That was a huge effort from TP. That's the difference between interested and committed.* 29-Jul-2018 12:44:10
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-  **bikerabe** *redoing Montparnasse in time for 2024 Olympic Games* 29-Jul-2018 12:44:32
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-  **BusterSci** *46s for the break.* 29-Jul-2018 12:44:37
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-  **BusterSci** *Thanks for that article, Tim.* 29-Jul-2018 12:45:38
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-  **BusterSci** *Downto 36s now* 29-Jul-2018 12:45:52
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-  **Katie S** *go break, go break!* 29-Jul-2018 12:46:46
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-  **Katie S** *sigh* 29-Jul-2018 12:47:01
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-  **David Stanley** *12 Mi. 35 seconds. Head says it's a sprint finish. Heart says go break go.* 29-Jul-2018 12:47:33
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-  **Tim in KY** *Postal Burger on the front.* 29-Jul-2018 12:48:13
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-  **Marc @ Toad Hall** *Agreed, DS & KS.* 29-Jul-2018 12:48:21



BusterSci *There's nobody there.*

29-Jul-2018
12:48:51



bikerabe *Amazon will soon be serving Drone Burgers*

29-Jul-2018
12:49:16



BusterSci *That sounds like McDonalds.*

29-Jul-2018
12:49:46



Katie S *my almost-5-year-old niece makes her daddy put away his drone when she's around. she hates the thing.*

29-Jul-2018
12:50:26



bikerabe *good for her !*

29-Jul-2018
12:50:56



BusterSci *I'll have a drone ... burger ... and some ... ordinary fries ... and ... an overly sweetened cola-like beverage ...*

29-Jul-2018
12:51:04



David Stanley *mwahaha Buster.*

29-Jul-2018
12:51:33



Tim in KY *They are riding very fast right now, but overall, they are slower than the slowest imaginable time.*

29-Jul-2018
12:51:35



Katie S *that brings to mind the poem from the original LUG days "We were caught by men very fast."*

29-Jul-2018
12:53:35



BusterSci *Back when I could see I used to fly RC airplanes. Took some skill, you did it at a flying field or other remote location, etc. Drones are just annoying because anyone can fly them anywhere--although I do understand the appeal*

29-Jul-2018
12:53:40



Mons Soseman *16 km*

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12:53:47



BusterSci *So Mons, Did you hear from your friend re: Sagan?*

29-Jul-2018
12:55:05



BusterSci *Sagan looks much more comfortable today.*















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12:55:24



David Stanley *Bobke and Christian waxing nostalgic as they look out the*

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12:55:24

broadcast center window at the peloton. Great moment.

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-  **BusterSci** 21s 29-Jul-2018 12:55:41
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-  **BusterSci** 13.2km 29-Jul-2018 12:55:45
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-  **mcnally_mi** Agree, DStan. That was a very cool segment. 29-Jul-2018 12:56:15
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-  **David Stanley** Who do we have? Kristoff. Sagan. Degenkolb. Demare. I must be missing someone? 29-Jul-2018 12:56:25
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-  **BusterSci** 19s for the break 29-Jul-2018 12:56:36
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-  **BusterSci** They are working well together. 29-Jul-2018 12:56:42
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-  **BusterSci** Laporte, DStan 29-Jul-2018 12:56:47
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-  **BusterSci** Not my pick, rather the guy you were missing. 29-Jul-2018 12:57:02
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-  **BusterSci** EBH, maybe 29-Jul-2018 12:57:13
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-  **Katie S** any final thoughts/conclusions about the impact of 8-rider teams vs. 9-rider teams? I hardly noticed. 29-Jul-2018 12:57:18
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-  **David Stanley** roger that. Five real sprinters. TdF is the Thunderdome for sprinters this year. 29-Jul-2018 12:57:36
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-  **BusterSci** Katie, I'd say that when the pack thinned on the climbs, it thinned faster.. GC guys that lost a domestique early suffered more. 29-Jul-2018 12:58:48
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-  **BusterSci** Moto is too close again 29-Jul-2018 12:59:10
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-  **BusterSci** 11s 29-Jul-2018 12:59:37



BusterSci 10km

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12:59:40



David Stanley *It certainly didn't solve the crash issue. If the road is 6 riders wide, 6 riders will fill the gap, whether there are 6, 7, 8, or 9 riders per team.*

29-Jul-2018
12:59:42



bikerabe *Katie here's Charles whole poem: I wrote that a few years back, using press releases from Spanish riders, whose quotes that had clearly been machine translated into English. by cpelkey We were fought by men very fast My sensations are good. We were fought by men very fast. Definitely not could do more I had to do much effort to place well . I have it quite touched and that I'm still hot. But yes, I had good legs It is happy when the excellent team manager said that the beautiful state of many men's team. Sponsors are proud to these runners who are very competitive in all situations. Because all riders are turned to me and struggling to make things right. My sensations are good. We were fought by men very fast*

29-Jul-2018
13:00:05



David Stanley *perfect.*

29-Jul-2018
13:00:29



Tim in KY *The bad crashes this year were mostly not big crowd crashes, they were solo crashed. Porte excepted.*

29-Jul-2018
13:00:46



Katie S *ah, Abe. yes indeed. And thank you*

29-Jul-2018
13:00:54



BusterSci *good point, Tim. We didn't see the huge pileups. We did see a lot of people get caught behind crashes, but that's different.*

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13:01:35



BusterSci *Politt off on his own.*

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13:01:57



BusterSci *That's impolitt*

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13:02:07



David Stanley *gruppo compatto as the bell it is ringing.*

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BusterSci 7.4km

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13:02:38



bikerabe *Hope much fewer smoke flares next year continues safety improvement*

29-Jul-2018
13:02:51



BusterSci Every time I see that final turn into the straight my mind sees Cav behind the HTC train. 29-Jul-2018 13:03:23



Mons Soseman No, no response, BusterSci, I may owe you Minneota Viking tickets. 29-Jul-2018 13:03:25



BusterSci Only if you're joining me, Mons. 29-Jul-2018 13:03:49



Katie S i'll spring for the ... beer beer 29-Jul-2018 13:04:04



David Stanley Ladies and Gentlemen, place your bets! 29-Jul-2018 13:04:09



BusterSci Man, I wouldn't ride within 10 feet of that curb,. 29-Jul-2018 13:04:21



David Stanley Oh, Sonny Colbrelli!! 29-Jul-2018 13:04:59



BusterSci Sagan not playing his hide-in-the-pack game this time. 29-Jul-2018 13:05:01



Tim in KY 3 km rule apply? 29-Jul-2018 13:05:11



BusterSci 5km 29-Jul-2018 13:05:15



BusterSci Yes 29-Jul-2018 13:05:19



David Stanley Yikes. The fear. 29-Jul-2018 13:05:57



BusterSci Hmmm. Lunch is being photographed! 29-Jul-2018 13:06:10



Mons Soseman Minneota's girl's volleyball team is ranked second in state in their pre season, but we could do Football, instead. The drive out to Western Minnesota is not bad, and we could probably stay with my cousins 29-Jul-2018 13:06:23



Mons Soseman Go Minneota Vikings, you betcha.

29-Jul-2018
13:06:53



Katie S OK, i'm starting to tear up in my throat and eyes... last 2 k of the whole durn thing...

29-Jul-2018
13:07:16



Mons Soseman Is that what you meant, BusterSci?

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13:07:27



David Stanley FYI- 38 mph. in a 53x12. That's 105-110 rpm.

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13:07:36



Mons Soseman So, has Sagan been doing OK today?

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bikerabe right near the front with Bora team

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13:08:22



BusterSci 2km

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13:08:45



BusterSci Oss has a gapo

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David Stanley Arnaud Demare's boys at the fron into the tunnel. Two guys dangling at 3-4 seconds off the front.

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13:08:59



BusterSci Lampaert with him

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13:09:05



Mons Soseman WOW. Allez Belgique!

29-Jul-2018
13:09:15



BusterSci Sagan on Demare's wheel

29-Jul-2018
13:09:23



BusterSci Lampaert on his own

29-Jul-2018
13:09:26



David Stanley Lampaert has a legit gap. 1km to go.holy moly.

29-Jul-2018
13:09:30



BusterSci Nice gap

29-Jul-2018
13:09:35



BusterSci That'd be awesome

29-Jul-2018
13:09:38



BusterSci I think he has this!

29-Jul-2018
13:09:50



Mons Soseman They may catch him

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13:09:55



David Stanley it's going to be sososos close.

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13:09:57



BusterSci 500m

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13:10:00



Mons Soseman Valiant attempt though

29-Jul-2018
13:10:09



BusterSci 400m

29-Jul-2018
13:10:11



BusterSci 300m

29-Jul-2018
13:10:22



BusterSci 200m

29-Jul-2018
13:10:25



BusterSci Caught

29-Jul-2018
13:10:27



David Stanley boom. Kristoff. Demare. Degenkolb.

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13:10:28



Tim in KY Kristoff.

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13:10:33



BusterSci KRISTOFF















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David Stanley Nice moment with Froome and Geraint coasting over. Looks

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like real mateship.

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|  | BusterSci G rolls across | 29-Jul-2018
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|  | Katie S wow | 29-Jul-2018
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|  | Trish in MA Wow! | 29-Jul-2018
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|  | David Stanley Maybe Deg in 2nd. Need to see a replay. | 29-Jul-2018
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|  | Tim in KY EBH 4t, LaPorte 5th. | 29-Jul-2018
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|  | BusterSci Sagan didn't have it. | 29-Jul-2018
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|  | Mons Soseman Amazing what the Peloton can do when they want to... | 29-Jul-2018
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|  | Trish in MA Sagan was top 10 and really going for it | 29-Jul-2018
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|  | Katie S was this Kristoff's only win of this tour? My short-term memory is shot | 29-Jul-2018
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|  | BusterSci I'm way behind | 29-Jul-2018
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|  | BusterSci Yes | 29-Jul-2018
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|  | bikerabe meanwhile Ackermann for Bora wins London-Surrey | 29-Jul-2018
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|  | Tim in KY Things to do. See you at la Vuelta. | 29-Jul-2018
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|  | Katie S a mini-Martin is the making .. Did you catch that shot of Dan and wife? | 29-Jul-2018
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Trish in MA My dessert plans for the 20 people showing up at my house in an hour just got blown out of the water, so I must quickly go make a chart. It's been great, as always. See you at the Vuelta.

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13:14:41



bikerabe c heck back on the Martins in 20 years

29-Jul-2018
13:14:54



Steve in CO OK all, off to do my daily chores. Thanks for the commentary, limericks, and NRRBBB.

29-Jul-2018
13:14:57



bikerabe Thanks to all, see you at La Vuelta

29-Jul-2018
13:15:45



Katie S Before you all run off ... thank you thank you thank you. It's been a great ride these past three weeks. September

29-Jul-2018
13:16:21



Katie S is just around the corner

29-Jul-2018
13:16:26



mcnelly_mi Health and safety to all! Thanks for a wonderful 3 weeks.

29-Jul-2018
13:17:08



David Stanley Thanks Buster, for the results. See you in the funny papers. Out for a ride, and then write a Random Thoughts on the Tour piece for BikeRaceInfo. Fine three weeks, all. Thank-you. :-)

29-Jul-2018
13:17:41



Marc @ Toad Hall Love you all. Until September. Stay safe, happy and deliciously fed.

29-Jul-2018
13:17:45



bikerabe Vuelta begins August 25 with 8 km prologue TT

29-Jul-2018
13:19:50



Mons Soseman great ta for now.

29-Jul-2018
13:21:12



Mons Soseman but the real question, and you know that that is?

29-Jul-2018
13:35:00



Katie S *it is, Mons. it is.*

29-Jul-2018
13:35:13



Mons Soseman *(sigh)*

29-Jul-2018
13:35:24



Mons Soseman *(sniff)*

29-Jul-2018
13:35:44



SFinAtx *ahhhh, Nuts.*

29-Jul-2018
13:36:06



Mons Soseman *the last day is like the ceremonial closing of parliament.*

29-Jul-2018
13:38:29



Mons Soseman *but it is not really over until the dope's been tested*

29-Jul-2018
13:40:10



Katie S *ah, the sweetness of cynicism*

29-Jul-2018
13:46:47



Mons Soseman *whoops almost forgot the wife*

29-Jul-2018
13:49:01



Katie S *mic drop! ha!*

29-Jul-2018
13:49:41



SFinAtx *nice*

29-Jul-2018
13:50:02



Katie S *ok, gang ... i'm off to pull weeds. Au revoir!*

29-Jul-2018
13:50:03



Mons Soseman *I hope he doesn't drop that trophy like he dropped the mic...*

29-Jul-2018
13:51:32



Mons Soseman *Limoges would not be pleased*

29-Jul-2018
13:51:39



bikerabe *June 9, 2019 LeTour presents Dragon Ride L'etape Wales*

29-Jul-2018
13:52:40



Mons Soseman *I suppose that means it's over*

29-Jul-2018
14:03:30



BusterSci *Coverage has concluded.*

29-Jul-2018
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