



**Tim in KY** VaE Stage 7 is 186 kilometers due west into the sweltering center of Andalusia.

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**Tim in KY** The route is lumpy throughout with two Cat 3 climbs, the first just after mid-stage. The second, though, peaks with 12 km to go and the road then continues to gradually rise to the finish. Not really a stage for sprinters

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**Tim in KY** Start time is 13:05 CET (7:05 EDT). Finish is imagined to be either side of 17:40 CET (11:40 EDT). Video at 14:30 CET, or so (08:30 EDT).

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**Tim in KY** Finally found the finish map.

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**Katie Lane** That finish is way to straight... oh, wait, that's right, this isn't the Giro.

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**Katie Lane** :-)

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**Katie Lane** To celebrate being at the top of the Velogames LugNuts League (I'm sure it's only for a day, but it's historic!), I share The Pathological Dyer's version of the red jersey:

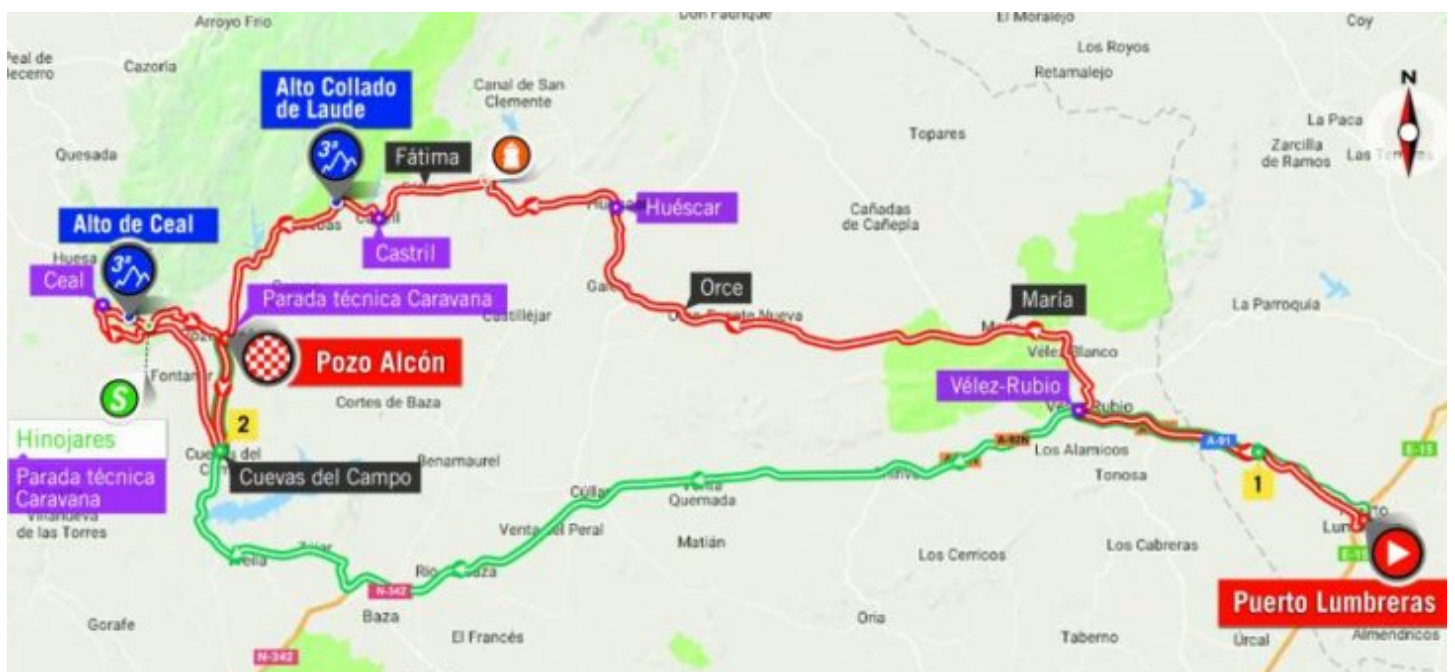
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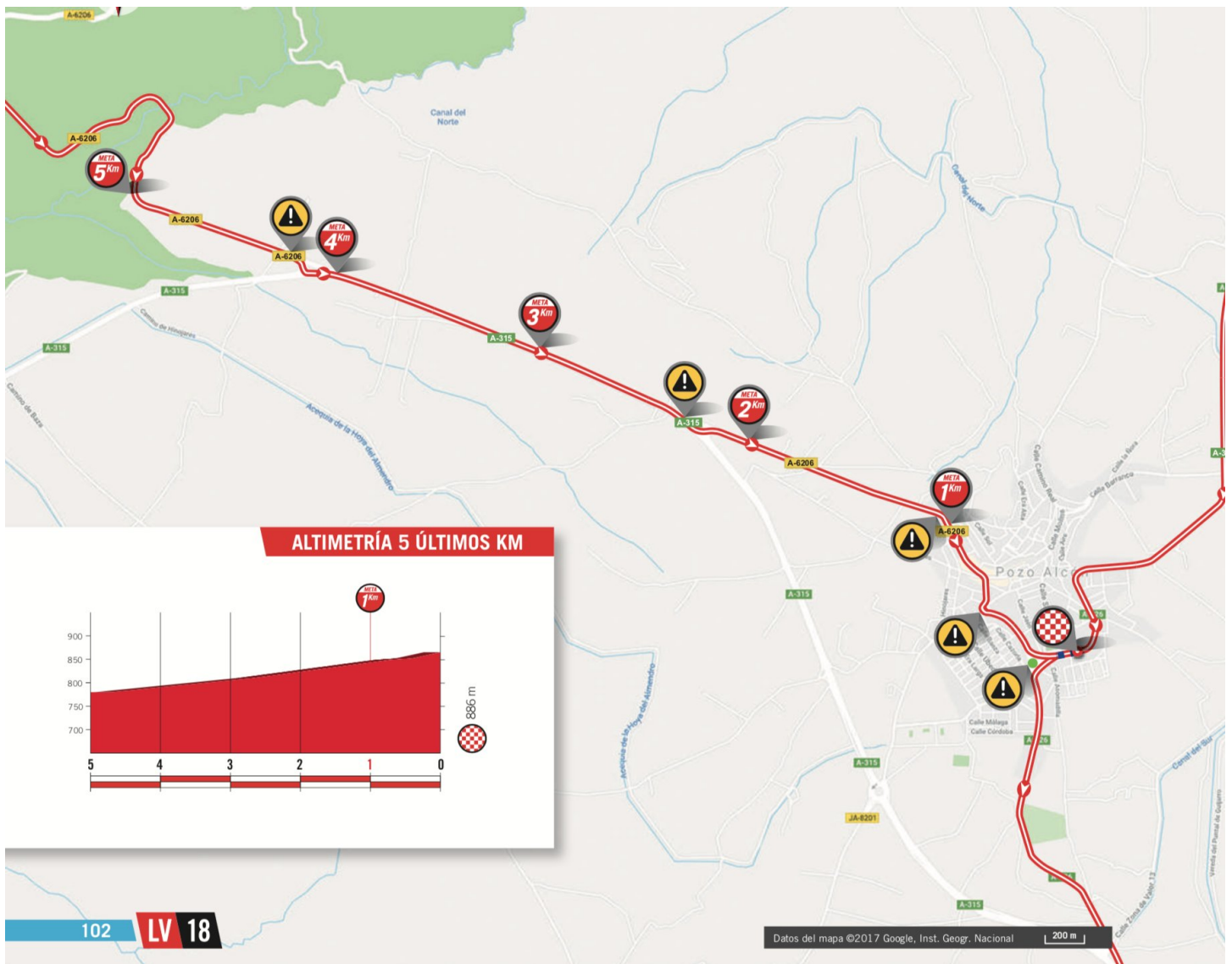
**Katie Lane** //rumbletalk-images-

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**Tim in KY** WTF? The race started an hour earlier than the time schedule said yesterday. Riders are in neutral.

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**Tim in KY** Despite the unfortunate bollard episode yesterday, there still have been no abandons at this year's Vuelta.

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**BusterSci** Steephill had a 12:25 CET start with 15:30 live video.

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**Tim in KY** That's not the one I looked at. It still says 13:05 this morning.

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**Tim in KY** No word of kilometer 0 yet.

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**Tim in KY** Mechanicals in neutral.

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**Tim in KY** Now we go. While the break sorts, I have a chore to do.

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**Tim in KY** Alexis Gougeard (AG2R-La Mondiale), Michael Woods (Education First-Drpac), Floris De Tier (LottoNL-Jumbo), Nicola Conci (Trek-Segafredo), Edward Ravasi (UAE Team Emirates), Alex Aranburu (Caja Rural-Seguros RGA) and Oscar Rodriguez (Euskadi-Murias) have 3:06 on the peloton

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**Tim in KY** A break of seven suggests that the peloton is not interested in contesting the stage today. Depends on the leash and which team is minding the gap.

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**Tim in KY** FDJ and Bora at the front. The gap holds at 3:00.

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**Tim in KY** Does Bora think Sagan can get up that hill, or is this for Buchmann?

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**BusterSci** I think yes and yes. Peto will try anything within reach. Buchmann could place well.

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**Tim in KY** Gap is down to 2:18. In the break, Woods has crashed and then had two bike changes.

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-  **BusterSci** That's called "Having a Chicken day." 31-Aug-2018 07:07:43
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-  **Tim in KY** Gap keeps coming down as they go up a long uncategorized climb. 31-Aug-2018 07:11:04
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-  **Tim in KY** 2:05. 31-Aug-2018 07:11:14
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-  **Tim in KY** Back up to 2:35 with 153 km to go. 31-Aug-2018 07:16:54
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-  **Tim in KY** Reading about yesterday, the problem for the second peloton was not so much the crash as the crosswind that hampered the chase. 31-Aug-2018 07:20:59
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-  **Donny** Hello folks, since Katie brought up the velogames and Jo posted the league code for the TOB I will tell you one person that is on that team, I also put him up there for the best name in the pro ranks. Odd Christian Eiking 31-Aug-2018 07:21:37
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-  **Tim in KY** 2:45. 149. 31-Aug-2018 07:25:39
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-  **Tim in KY** Every time I see that, I think, "what an odd name". 31-Aug-2018 07:27:12
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-  **Tim in KY** Mate didn't think working to get in the break today was worth it for 3 points. He leads KOM by 22 over Rolland. 31-Aug-2018 07:29:08
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-  **BusterSci** From "Oddr" or "Oddur" meaning the arrow point or knife point. So he needs to ride on the front. 31-Aug-2018 07:29:29
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-  **BusterSci** I know this because I looked it up while reading the Saxon chronicles by Bernard Cornwell. 31-Aug-2018 07:30:37
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-  **Donny** Interesting read Buster, you ever check out Edward Rutherfurd historical fiction Dublin, Paris, London, New York complete histories of the cities. I very much enjoyed them. 31-Aug-2018 07:36:57
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-  **Tim in KY** For the first hour the pace has been as imagined, 39.3 kph. 31-Aug-2018 07:40:02
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-  **BusterSci** Haven't, Donny. I've only recently gotten into historical fiction 31-Aug-2018 07:45:04

and have focused mostly on those that tend toward the military (Sharpe, Hornblower, Aubrey & Maturin, etc.) I actually started down the path because I wanted something to supplement non-fiction reading in a manner that put the facts in context of a narrative. But I'm happy to look into recommendations.



**Tim in KY** 4 KU to go. 3:10.

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**Donny** Conn Iggulden, The Emperor series, Wars of the Roses, the conqueror series, Mary Renault, Alexander the Great trilogy (also the biography, The nature of Alexander) are a couple of my favorites along with the aforementioned Rutherford

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**Katie Lane** Ken Follett's trilogies are good too... Pillars of the Earth trilogy and Century trilogy

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**BusterSci** I read Pillars when it came out but didn't follow up.

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**Katie Lane** And then the chick flick reads... The Outlander :-D

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**Tim in KY** 3:31 with 130 km to go. FDJ and Bora still at the front.

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**BusterSci** I enjoyed Shogun as well. Katie, that's one of the reasons I've avoided historical fiction. It has that "aura" about it. Michael Shaara's civil war books are superb.

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**Tim in KY** Porte picks Valverde for the win today. Safe choice.

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**BusterSci** Valverde is always a safe choice. Regardless of other issues, he knows how to read a race and execute a plan, whether forethought or in the moment.,

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**BusterSci** And he usually has the legs to pull it off.

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**Tim in KY** And, on cue, Movi comes to the front.

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**Donny** I like Ken Follett's books as well Katie but put them more in the

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fiction section than historical fiction. Though they do have a lot of interesting History in them.


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 **BusterSci** Donny, I've added first books of each authors to my Audible wish31-Aug-2018  
list. Thanks. In order of preference, I'd recommend Cornwell's Last Kingdom 08:11:21  
(which is a BBC/Netflix series as well), Shaara's Killer Angels, O'brien's Master and  
Commander.


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 **BusterSci** Interesting, Donny. I suppose you're making the distinction 31-Aug-2018  
between a story in a historical setting and history told in novel form? It's a 08:13:51  
fine line.


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 **BusterSci** Wolf Hall, for instance, probably fits the latter and is more of a 31-Aug-2018  
pure historical fiction. Last Kingdom, Hornblower and Aubrey-Maturin novels 08:15:37  
are much more about the history as a backdrop to a mostly fictional story.


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 **Tim in KY** Rodriguez is the best placed rider in the break at 7:37. 31-Aug-2018  
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 **Donny** It is Buster and I have debated that line with much better minds than31-Aug-2018  
my own, we came to the conclusion that they will eat a potatoe and I will eat 08:17:13  
a tomato


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 **Tim in KY** 25C right now for the riders. Not as hot as it could be in this part 31-Aug-2018  
of the country. 08:22:08


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 **Donny** Historically speaking Tim? 31-Aug-2018  
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 **BusterSci** Well, I may not chose to concern myself with that distinction, but 31-Aug-2018  
I totally get it. Since I also read a lot of speculative fiction, including fantasy, 08:22:47  
SF and especially for this conversation, alternate history, my concern is more about the  
historical aspects being factual or counter-factual. Like what would have happened if  
Spartacus had a Piper Cub (if you recall that old SNL bit.)


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 **Tim in KY** Movi has brought the gap down to 3:14. 105 km. 31-Aug-2018  
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 **Tim in KY** If Gold actually starts at 14:30, it will be right about 3 KU to go. 31-Aug-2018  
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 **BusterSci** Another fine line is when I take Ripley walkies. Overnight rain 31-Aug-2018  
still has things wet, but it's going to get warm and humid fast today. 08:27:49

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**Tim in KY** 3 KU. 2:58.

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**BusterSci** Rereading that prior post, I just want to clarify I was talking about the Roman slave, Spartacus. We already know what happened when the cycling Spartacus had motorized assistance.

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**Katie S** Good morning, and gold is up!

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08:31:35



**Tim in KY** It is.

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**Katie S** I'm reading The Three Musketeers. Is that historical fiction?

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**BusterSci** Ooh, that's a good question. I'd say yes. I think Donny would say no, but I'll let him answer.

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**Tim in KY** 34C at the finish. What larks.

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**BusterSci** Wikipedia says it's an historical adventure novel. Many years ago I wrote a short parody about a camping trip in the BWCA with my high school friends called The Three Mosquito Eaters.

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**Tim in KY** Through the second hour the speed is up to 42.5 kph. Unimaginable.

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**Tim in KY** Morning Charlie.

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**Katie S** that's a good description... Or an historical swashbuckling anti-papist novel...

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**Katie S** Three Mosquito Eaters, i like it.

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**Charles Davis** Morning all. I need to read more.

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**BusterSci** Audible got me back into books. I've been averaging 3-4 books a week this summer while working on the deck. It's actual efficient


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multitasking.

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 **Charles Davis** So did we figure out if it was a helicopter or just nature that blew those plastic barriers into the road yesterday. 31-Aug-2018 08:46:01


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 **BusterSci** My dog would rather lick rain water off the deck than drink from her bowl. That may change when the wood weathers a bit and she gets a sliver in her tongue. 31-Aug-2018 08:47:44


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 **Tim in KY** Helicopter, Charlie. 31-Aug-2018 08:48:45

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 **Tim in KY** Bora has brought the gap down to 2:26. 31-Aug-2018 08:49:57


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 **Katie S** Reilly is getting some kind of secondary high from the stain on the deck, don't let her tell you otherwise. Doper! 31-Aug-2018 08:51:02


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 **Charles Davis** Ouch! 31-Aug-2018 08:51:16


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 **Tim in KY** Cofidis has sent a man to the front. Surely they don't think The Boxer can win today... 31-Aug-2018 08:54:42

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 **Donny** Katie, Buster seems to understand my side of the line on this, I would classify that as a novel. 31-Aug-2018 08:57:22

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 **Donny** Do audio books count as reading? Neuroscience says no but what does Bustersci say? 31-Aug-2018 08:59:29


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 **Tim in KY** 80 km, just about 3:00. 31-Aug-2018 09:01:13

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 **Tim in KY** 6 km to the start of the first Cat 3. 31-Aug-2018 09:03:06

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 **Trish in MA** Greetings from Fairport, NY, Gateway to Rochester. And, no, before anyone says it, the Fairport Convention has not yet showed up. Today we are continuing a short westward trek on the Canal before ending our trip tomorrow morning 31-Aug-2018 09:03:43

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**Tim in KY** I had cousins who lived in Fairport.

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09:04:39



**BusterSci** I think this answers you, Donny:

<https://www.newyorker.com/humor/daily-shouts/listening-to-audiobooks-is-just-as-good-as-reading-if-not-better-so-back-the-hell-off>

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**Tim in KY** Now Lotto S taking a turn at the front.

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**bikerabe** back in the beginning of Western Civ. literature was mostly spoken as in Homer's Iliad and Odyssey

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**BusterSci** You nailed it, Abe.

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**Tim in KY** Break on the climb.

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**Katie S** Just read an interesting essay by Wallace Stegner on the topic of

storytelling and history, called "On The Writing of History," in which he says: It is "my impression that too many trained professionals consider narrative history, history rendered as story, to be something faintly disreputable, the proper playground of lady novelists."

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**Katie S** ..and ..

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**BusterSci** "Neuroscience" actually has demonstrated rather conclusively

that audiobooks provoke more emotional response, physiological response, and comprehension, than film, television and--yes--reading. The argument against goes something like "If you're doing something else you can't pay attention like you can when reading." To that I respond "How many people have read the chapters on knots in Moby Dick, and remember any of it?"

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**Katie S** "There is a whole middle ground between fiction and history. So-

called historical fiction, which transposes the fictional into the actual, may have every degree of historical authenticity up to the highest, while things called history and biography may be treated with so little of the historian's responsibility to fact that they amount to frauds. There are respectable books all across the spectrum, but it is important that they be called what they are, and do not pretend to be what they are not."

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**BusterSci** Could stuff, Katie!

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**Tim in KY** Peloton on the climb now, too.

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**Katie S** The most powerful novel I listened to on tape, for it was a cassette, was "Cry, The Beloved Country." The narrator's voice has stayed with me, as has the story ... and it's been something like 15 years.

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**Tim in KY** I have to go do another chore. Could somebody mention the race occasionally?

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**BusterSci** Was wondering when that would come up...

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**Trish in MA** I like listening to books on tape or audible books, but I find they put me to sleep while driving. Not good. On the other hand, we have a friend who records audible books. He mainly does textbooks.

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**Katie S** Guys are on bikes in pretty colors in a drab background. They seem to be exerting themselves, and some are in front of others.

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**Miren Brinkman** Morning, All. Taken the day off to watch a whole stage or at least what is on tiz.

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**BusterSci** Katie, for me would be Ireland, by Frank Delaney, and anything by David Sedaris, since he reads his own books. Storytelling, like poetry, is meant to be oral. Reading it is like reading song lyrics.

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**Katie S** that's what my Greek history professor told us, lo, these many years ago

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**BusterSci** I think one of the most effective things is to read and listen. For truly well written books (not just enjoyable, but artfully crafted) you can really extract so much that way.

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**Katie S** 2 KUs!

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**Miren Brinkman** Re books. Audio books are great as I can do two hobbies at the same time. Wolf Hall is a historical novel based on facts as real and gives a real idea of the context at the time. Cornwell is great as is Follet. Donny, our choices in books are incredibly similar.


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 **SFinAtx** Good day gang. I totally missed yesterday's stage - an interesting one at that. Can someone post the Velogames league code or DM me with it. I didn't get the email (or I've been exiled). :) 31-Aug-2018 09:24:26

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 **BusterSci** MB, Facebook tells me to wish you a happy birthday. I hate doing what facebook tells me on Facebook itself, so I'll do it here. Happy Birthday! 31-Aug-2018 09:24:57


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 **Miren Brinkman** Thank you! 31-Aug-2018 09:25:13

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 **Trish in MA** Happy birthday, Maite! 31-Aug-2018 09:26:12

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 **SFinAtx** I know the conversation has moved on to audio books (have yet to have success with one), but for historical fiction/novels, I really enjoyed Henryk Sienkiewicz's 'Trilogy' although it has been a couple of decades. 31-Aug-2018 09:26:38

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 **BusterSci** 776268221 For SF 31-Aug-2018 09:26:39


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 **SFinAtx** Thank you, sir! 31-Aug-2018 09:27:10


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 **BusterSci** SF, don't ever be apologetic for changing or switching back to topics. We're always happy chasing squirrels here. 31-Aug-2018 09:27:51


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 **BusterSci** And with that, I'm taking Ripley for walkies. Re: the licking the deck? I caught her licking the inside of the lid of the varnish can, so she's a huffer, no question. 31-Aug-2018 09:29:11


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 **BusterSci** Actual race conversation can begin. 31-Aug-2018 09:32:20


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 **Miren Brinkman** The guy commenting with Sean Kelly said some really strange things. 31-Aug-2018 09:33:26

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 **Miren Brinkman** Who's going to won today's stage? Is Quintana going to conserve his energy for the 4th week? Is he going to attack? 31-Aug-2018 09:34:22

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 **Miren Brinkman** Dam Martin and wife are expecting twins!!! He'll want to win the stage today and go home. 31-Aug-2018 09:35:05

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**BusterSci** Re the commentator: If he's saying strange things I suspect it's Carlton Kirby.

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**Miren Brinkman** Dam??? No, Dan.

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**Katie S** Ripley! Pix, Buster, of walkies

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**Miren Brinkman** //rumbletalk-images-

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**Trish in MA** Sweet!

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**SFinAtx** Awwwww. So cute.

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**bikerabe** pretty puppy ! what breed?

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**Miren Brinkman** During the last GT, we lost one of our dogs. This week we welcomed a new member to our family. Still too small for walkies, though.

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**Miren Brinkman** BikerAbe, she's a Heinz 57!

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**BusterSci** Someone is not please you're delaying me, Katie

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**Charles Davis** That is Charlton Kirby. He is the babbling brook of eurosport TV. His job appears to be to build excitement by throwing out as many competing ideas as possible along with a few jokes. In general he is harmless. I kinda like him.

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**Miren Brinkman** :-\*

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**Miren Brinkman** Charles, I like his comments too.

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**Miren Brinkman** Buster, that pup is not happy with you!

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**Trish in MA** What i like about Carleton is his on-the-fly translations of the post-race interviews. I am always impressed.

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**Katie S** heh heh, Buster/Ripley.

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**Katie S** CUTE pup, Miren

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**Donny** <https://www.thecut.com/2016/08/listening-to-a-book-instead-of-reading-isnt-cheating.html>

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**Donny** I like this article about the debate between reading and Audio books. Talks about the idea of cheating or gaining benefit without putting in the work, this being a cycling group, it seems to fit.

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**Donny** Very cute puppies.

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**Miren Brinkman** Bertie!!!

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**Donny** back to the audio book thing, for one last second. I read very methodically, word-by-word, so when I read something I do tend to retain the information better than listening to something. I also, like the voices in my head better than most that I have heard coming from the outside.

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**Donny** 45km to go gap only 2:11

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**Donny** Still those 7 skinny dudes out front of the rest of the skinny dudes

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**Donny** Happy b-day Maite

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**Miren Brinkman** I agree, Donny, but if you're in a hyper state as I sometimes am , need to do something while 'reading' same as when watching tv, otherwise Im asleep within minutes

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**Miren Brinkman** Thank you, Donny.

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**Donny** zee gap she falls, n'est pas

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**Katie S** velocidad mui up

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**Trish in MA** I definitely cheat when I read, particularly if I am bored by the writing. I have found that with badly-written novels (DaVinci Code, cough) I can get through maybe a chapter or two and then I start playing book roulette, meaning that i open the book at random, and read until I am bored again, usually a chapter, then put it down and open it later at a different point, and so read a very disjointed story because at least I can spend my time thinking, how the hell did that happen?" And if it's a really really bad book (DaVinci Code) I never even finish it.

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**Katie S** DaVinci code is best audio-booked b/c then it just sounds like someone's telling you a story rather than attempting to actually Write (with a capital W).

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**Bustersci** Donny, that cheating B S is also like a lot of cyclists because it's all about elitist virtue signaling. "Look how HARD I work!"

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**Tim in KY** 30 km. 1:14.

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**Katie S** that break doesn't want to give up. Venga!

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**Donny** Missed the KU!

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**Donny** Bustersci, that was exactly the thing to which I was referring.

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**Tim in KY** Anybody else lost Gold?

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**Donny** Never had any to loose, Tim.

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**Tim in KY** I have it on my laptop, but it's just black on my iPad.

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**Donny** 19km to go and just 27" and falling

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**Tim in KY** Now it's back. Mystery.

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**Donny** crash

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**Katie S** Well, that'll help the break a bit...

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**Tim in KY** Just they were about to catch.

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**Katie S** i blame teh cattle guard

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**Donny** every getting back on the bikes

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**Donny** everyone

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**Tim in KY** Crappy bit of road.

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**Marc @ Toad Hall** Let's ho[e the descent isn't gravel.

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10:22:45



**Tim in KY** There is no descent. Just keep going up.

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10:23:18



**Donny** South Plains in da house! Howdy Gail

31-Aug-2018  
10:23:55



**Marc @ Toad Hall** Oh, yeah. I was thinking of yesterday's profile.

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10:23:58





**Gilliemarie** Three Texans this am!!

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10:24:28



**Tim in KY** Woods off by himself.

31-Aug-2018  
10:25:04



**bikerabe** Oh Canada ! Go Mick Woods !

31-Aug-2018  
10:25:39



**Gilliemarie** Yeah Canada!

31-Aug-2018  
10:26:04



**Donny** Movi is leading the chase

31-Aug-2018  
10:27:18



**Donny** gap is hovering around 17"

31-Aug-2018  
10:27:44



**Donny** 8"

31-Aug-2018  
10:29:10



**Tim in KY** Sagan near the back right now.

31-Aug-2018  
10:29:37



**Donny** Moto's out of the way

31-Aug-2018  
10:29:45



**Tim in KY** Caught.

31-Aug-2018  
10:30:51



**Katie S** what K are you guys at? I'm at 10,3km

31-Aug-2018  
10:34:31



**Donny** 9.9

31-Aug-2018  
10:34:43



**Marc @ Toad Hall** I'm with you. Mas takes a flyer, no joiners.

31-Aug-2018  
10:35:05



**Katie S** poor dude on my feed doesn't know he's already been caught on yours...

31-Aug-2018  
10:35:06



**Donny** Howson hit the deck

31-Aug-2018  
10:36:14



**Tim in KY** My internet keeps kicking off.

31-Aug-2018  
10:39:08



**Donny** Just having trouble posting

31-Aug-2018  
10:40:22



**Donny** coming up on 5km mark

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10:42:29



**Donny** Jerrada takes a flyer

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10:42:54



**Donny** herrada

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10:43:00



**Donny** several groups out on the road furthest one back is 38" down

31-Aug-2018  
10:43:55



**Donny** Herrada only had about 10"

31-Aug-2018  
10:44:44



**Donny** now a group of 6 take off to bridge up to him

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10:45:15



**Donny** time gaps are garbage

31-Aug-2018  
10:46:29



**Donny** may as well just give it a guess

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10:46:57



**Katie S** have some sangria, Donny

31-Aug-2018  
10:47:07



**Katie S** the race statisticians have

31-Aug-2018  
10:47:19



**bikerabe** gALLOPIN GOES

31-Aug-2018  
10:48:36



**bikerabe** caps lock off

31-Aug-2018  
10:48:55



**Donny** 1km to go

31-Aug-2018  
10:49:12



**Donny** I saw that red kite

31-Aug-2018  
10:49:22



**Donny** so I believe it

31-Aug-2018  
10:49:28



**bikerabe** Go Tony Trek needs a win !

31-Aug-2018  
10:49:54



**Donny** He will take this stage

31-Aug-2018  
10:49:58



**Tim in KY** Lost internet again at the kite.

31-Aug-2018  
10:50:58



**bikerabe** .AG2R will win

31-Aug-2018  
10:51:20



**Tim in KY** Gallopin is AG2R, isn't he?

31-Aug-2018  
10:51:39



**Donny** Looking at faces as they cross the line, it was a harder stage in reality than on paper

31-Aug-2018  
10:51:42



**bikerabe** my memory linked Gallopin to former team

31-Aug-2018  
10:52:55



**Tim in KY** It looked hard on paper to me.

31-Aug-2018  
10:53:52



**Donny** SAGAN took second with the green bullet 3rd

31-Aug-2018  
10:54:05



**Tim in KY** French rider on Spanish TV interviewed in English.

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10:57:06



**Donny** Later folks! Have a lovely day.

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11:03:13



**Donny** Howson hit the deck

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**Trish in MA** Thanks, all. Great to finally get to see a stage finish. Have a great day!

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11:03:24

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**Katie S** Adios!

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11:03:40

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**bikerabe** proper disposal of sparkling wine bottle in receptacle

31-Aug-2018  
11:05:45

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**Charles Davis** What about the GC? You guys and gals suck. Will anyone read this?

31-Aug-2018  
13:45:31

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**Joanna in New York** //rumbletalk-images-

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