



Tim in KY TdF Stage 15 is a tough Bastille Bay in the high Pyrenees. 198 kilometers from Loudenvielle to the ski station on the Plateau de Beille.

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01:40:27 pm



Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1720892740-stage-15-route.jpg>

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01:40:41 pm



Tim in KY Kilometer zero is the start of the first of four Cat 1 climbs. The first three come in rapid succession in the first 65 km. Then there is 60 km of valley road to the start of the final Cat 1. After 20 km of descent there is 14 km to the start of the HC finale.

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01:41:32 pm



Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1720892800-stage-15-profile.jpg>

07-13-2024
01:41:40 pm



Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1720892809-stage-15-plateau-de-beille.jpg>

07-13-2024
01:41:49 pm



Tim in KY Kilometer zero is scheduled for 12:05 CEST. Finish is imagined either side of 17:40. Forecast is for sunshine in the upper-20s. After six hours of riding there is a two-and-a-half-hour transfer to the rest day hotels on the Mediterranean coast.

07-13-2024
01:42:47 pm



Tim in KY On the first Cat 1. Near the summit actually. No break yet.

07-14-2024
06:20:35 am



Tim in KY No DNS today.

07-14-2024
06:20:43 am



Tim in KY No OTL yesterday.

07-14-2024
06:21:16 am



Tim in KY First Cat 1 done.

07-14-2024
06:26:23 am



Tim in KY Now chores and my walk.

07-14-2024
06:27:03 am



bikerabe Girmay now with lead group heading to nter. sprint

07-14-2024
06:51:03 am



HAUTES PYRÉNÉES

1 Col de Portet-d'Aspet
1049 m

Marignac

1 Col de Menté
1349 m

1 Col de Peyresourde
1549 m

**PARC NATUREL RÉGIONAL
DES PYRÉNÉES ARIÉGOISES**

LOUDENVIELLE

1 Col d'Agnes
1570 m

PLATEAU DE BEILLE

HC
1780 m

Km 0

LOUDENVIELLE

1 026 m



PLATEAU DE BEILLE

(15,8 km à 7,9%) 1 780 m

1 162 m LOUDENVIELLE

1 569 m
Col de Peyresourde
(6,9 km à 7,8%)



515 m
MARNIGNAC

654 m
BAGNÈRES-DE-
LUCHON

505 m SAINT-BÉAT-LEZ

700 m BOUTX

1 349 m
Col de Menté
(9,3 km à 9,1%)

705 m SAINT-LARY

650 m ORGIBET

565 m ILLARTEIN

547 m ARGEIN

517 m AUDRESSEIN

472 m ENGOMER

438 m MOULIS

553 m
AUCAZEIN

408 m
SAINT-GIRONS

407 m
EYCHEIL

434 m
LACOURT

499 m
OUST

612 m
ERCE

734 m AULUS-LES-BAINS

1 570 m
Col d'Agnes
(10 km à 8,2%)

1 517 m
Port de Lers

601 m CAPOULET-ET-JUNAC

555 m NIAUX

505 m TARASCON-SUR-ARIÈGE

485 m ORNOLAC-USSAT-LES-BAINS

503 m AULOS-SINSAT

534 m LES CABANNES

1,7

19,9

37, 42,6 50

39,2

65,4

74,7

83,2

94,5

98,8

112,6

127,8

138,6

147,2

168,5

178,4

181,3

7

39,2

70,8

77,9

79,9

87,2

90,5

102,3

119,7

147,2

165,9

172,1

174,5

HAUTES-PYRÉNÉES
HAUTE-GARONNE

ARIÈGE

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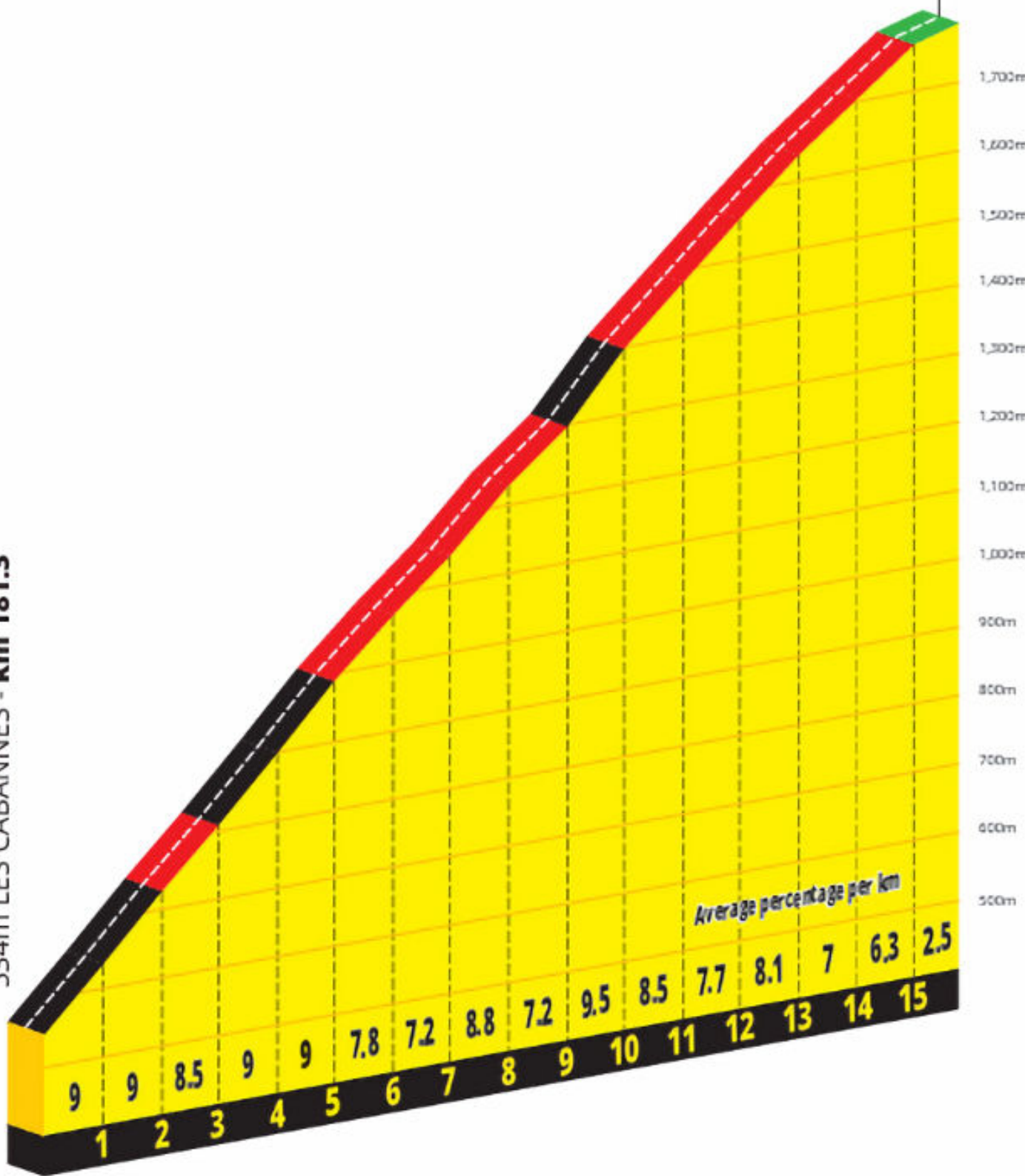
197,7 km

PLATEAU DE BEILLE

1,780m - km 197.7
(15.8km at 7.9%)



534m LES CABANNES - km 181.3



Average percentage per km



bikerabe Girmay wins sprint 20 points

07-14-2024
06:56:00 am



Tim in KY Climbing, descending and sweating.

07-14-2024
07:14:55 am



Tim in KY A paint-drying mountain stage.

07-14-2024
07:22:27 am



Tim in KY The Boras wore themselves out leading theÂ break up this hill.

07-14-2024
07:30:27 am



Tim in KY Over the top finally.

07-14-2024
07:30:50 am



Tim in KY Three minutes slower than the slowest.

07-14-2024
07:31:28 am



Tim in KY Good thing Jo isn't here to see this descent.

07-14-2024
07:33:59 am



Tim in KY [https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1720957364-tour-de-france-2024-stage-15-climb-n4-dbeb05f45a%20\(1\).jpg](https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1720957364-tour-de-france-2024-stage-15-climb-n4-dbeb05f45a%20(1).jpg)

07-14-2024
07:37:46 am



Tim in KY Short steep sucker coming up next.

07-14-2024
07:38:06 am



Tim in KY That's interesting. Vinego is wearing the Dots today.

07-14-2024
07:42:58 am



Tim in KY On the climb.

07-14-2024
07:43:45 am



Tim in KY Gap is coming down on this climb.

07-14-2024
07:51:19 am



Tim in KY Descent and then long valley section. Time for more chores.

07-14-2024
08:00:22 am

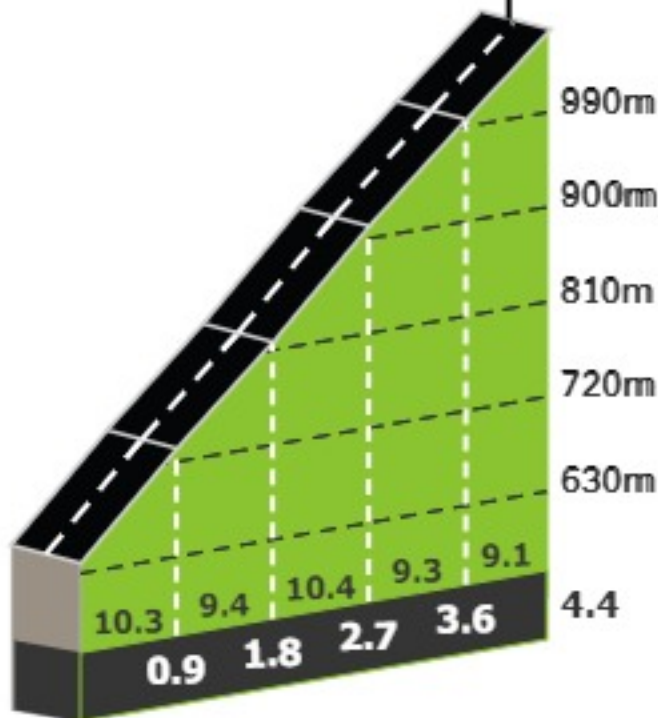


bikerabe switching to last kms of Womens Giro

07-14-2024
08:12:21 am

Col de Portet-d'Aspet

1068 m - 4.4 Km at 9.7 %





bikerabe finish Womens Giro breakaway of 3 then Longo0 Borgini does uphill sprint for 4th to win GC by 21seconds Vive Italia

07-14-2024
08:30:45 am



bikerabe Kimberly Le Cort won final stage

07-14-2024
08:32:57 am



bikerabe thats Le Court

07-14-2024
08:36:33 am



Tim in KY About halfway through the stage. Gap under 3:00.

07-14-2024
08:41:46 am



Katie S Good morning. I had wanted to be up earlier this morning, but alas. Paint-drying mountain stage â€¦ but you wouldnâ€™t expect the break to survive, or would you?

07-14-2024
08:44:45 am



Tim in KY Not a chance, Katie.

07-14-2024
08:47:20 am



Tim in KY Just inside the slowest imaginable...

07-14-2024
08:48:05 am



PasadenaK8 Morninâ€™ and happy Bastille/another day in the mountains Day *;-) Got woken up early this morning, by some VERY impressive thunder & lightning!

07-14-2024
08:48:39 am



Tim in KY Looks like CA has woken up.

07-14-2024
08:50:12 am



Katie S Haha! Yep! Hi K8!

07-14-2024
08:51:16 am



Katie S Now we need Alaska

07-14-2024
08:51:36 am



PasadenaK8 Hi Katie! Yep, Alaska, and hey, looks like we just beat AZ. Hey mmcnally

07-14-2024
08:52:16 am



PasadenaK8 (Our early arrival frightened him, Katie. He just popped out)

07-14-2024
08:53:20 am



Katie S Thunder & lightning in Pasadena?! We have heavy, wet fog, which Weather Underground calls "œmist." 56 degrees. Smells like rain.

07-14-2024
08:53:45 am



Katie S And, yes, Happy Bastille Day.

07-14-2024
08:54:58 am



PasadenaK8 I knowz! Totally unexpected. The air smells nice. Reading on NextDoor that some people here got a downpour. Only looks like it's been misting around here.

07-14-2024
08:55:38 am



Katie S Yesterday was interesting! our morning outing to the nursery turned into waiting roadside for a tow - just 2-1/5 miles from our house. Battery died at 45 mph. I suspect a failed alternator drained it. A friend met us and drove my partner home to get a working vehicle, but still had to do the whole tow thing. No nursery, though we still were able to do the other chores.

07-14-2024
08:59:41 am



Katie S Very sticky bottle there

07-14-2024
09:00:23 am



Tim in KY Huge ice sock.

07-14-2024
09:03:31 am



PasadenaK8 Your day, Katie, sounds about as "fun" as my day was. (National Executive "Bored" meeting and a multi-locals town hall meeting... 6+ hours of Zoom-zoomin'. It's Contract negotiation season! Fun times)

07-14-2024
09:06:20 am



Katie S Zooming on a summer Saturday does not sound fun. Hope the negotiations are going the right way for you.

07-14-2024
09:07:30 am



PasadenaK8 They actually are! They've done a really good job at the table. Lots of goodies for us.

07-14-2024
09:08:20 am



PasadenaK8 Perino pool party.

07-14-2024
09:09:11 am



BusterSci Checking in quickly from beautiful Waukee, IA. Looking at the lead group I think back a half dozen years ago when fandom was wondering if anyone would knock off the Sky/Ineos dynasty. Now they're just another midtier team feeling fortunate to fight for a podium spot. I suspect in another handful of years we'll say the same about Visma or UAE.

07-14-2024
09:14:55 am



PasadenaK8 Mornin' Buster!

07-14-2024
09:16:24 am



Katie S Good morning, Penguin. No doubt youâ€™re right. Wonder what the next hot team will be. Howâ€™s the family gathering?

07-14-2024
09:16:54 am



PasadenaK8 Q. If you had a bazillion dollars and wanted to sponsor a cycling team, what would you name it?

07-14-2024
09:17:59 am



mmcally Bonjour a tous. I have actually been up since the stage start, but a tad preoccupied with the other news of the day. I did see they extended the time cutoff today by 2%.

07-14-2024
09:19:46 am



Tim in KY Crpass living up to his name again.

07-14-2024
09:21:17 am



Katie S Hi Mike. Yes, not a good day for our nation.

07-14-2024
09:23:21 am



PasadenaK8 Bonjour, mmcally. Bon 14 juillet !

07-14-2024
09:23:29 am



Katie S They need a different word than "chase" for the guy/group thatâ€™s been dropped from the leaders.

07-14-2024
09:26:46 am



Tim in KY Poor Healy having to sacrifice himself for Crpass.

07-14-2024
09:26:54 am



Katie S Yeah but heâ€™ll live to fight another .. year

07-14-2024
09:27:41 am



Tim in KY Visma shredding riders again.

07-14-2024
09:31:12 am



mmcally A beautiful rendition of La Marseillaise today. <https://x.com/TF1Info/status/1812427550523588810>

07-14-2024
09:32:11 am



Tim in KY This climb seems longer than 10km.

07-14-2024
09:32:17 am



Katie S As for a team name, a group of friends I used to do those Colorado rides with had a team kit. Our leader loved powdered sugar donuts by Hostess, so we a couple of the guys had kits made for us all: "Team Powdered By Donettes."

07-14-2024
09:32:32 am



Katie S We had sponsors on the back including Stark Industries

07-14-2024
09:33:27 am



Tim in KY Remco appears alone in the GC group.

07-14-2024
09:34:19 am



PasadenaK8 Ha! Like "Team Powdered By Donettes".

07-14-2024
09:37:05 am



PasadenaK8 I was thinking I would team up with Flat Tire Ale, just for the name.

07-14-2024
09:37:47 am



PasadenaK8 Good rendition, Mike. Always love the tricolore, too.

07-14-2024
09:39:37 am



Katie S Ha! I actually have a Fat Tire Ale cap I bought at one edition of the Seattle To Portland ride. They sponsored the post-ride beer garden.

07-14-2024
09:40:08 am



Katie S Love Flat Tire Ale

07-14-2024
09:42:36 am



Tim in KY That looks like more than 900 meters.

07-14-2024
09:44:15 am



PasadenaK8 I was just wondering... I'm not sure if I've ever had a Flat Tire Ale. I'll have to try one, especially since they're going to be my co-sponsor *;-)

07-14-2024
09:44:18 am



Tim in KY 20 km descent coming up.

07-14-2024
09:45:57 am



Katie S Wheeeee

07-14-2024
09:46:40 am



Tim in KY There's a bonus climb before the real descent starts.

07-14-2024
09:49:23 am



Tim in KY Finally going down for real.

07-14-2024
10:01:59 am



Tim in KY Cavendish flirting with OTL right now.

07-14-2024
10:05:46 am



Tim in KY GC group gaining time on the descent.

07-14-2024
10:08:59 am



BusterSci I think I'd go with Vandalay Industries for a team name.

07-14-2024
10:09:39 am



Tim in KY That went over my head.

07-14-2024
10:10:22 am



Katie S Ha! Yes!

07-14-2024
10:11:11 am



Tim in KY Three minutes faster than the fastest right now.

07-14-2024
10:11:35 am



mmcally Time cut with the 2% increase should be around 18% today.

07-14-2024
10:11:42 am



Katie S Really don't want to see Cav cut

07-14-2024
10:12:04 am



PasadenaK8 Ha-ha, Buster! Good one!!

07-14-2024
10:12:09 am



PasadenaK8 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RPxXPIdXWX0>

07-14-2024
10:13:45 am



BusterSci If there's any guy in the pro peloton who knows how to get in under the cut, it's Cav.

07-14-2024
10:14:20 am



BusterSci I don't know if I read it here or elsewhere, but they added 2% to the time limit for today.

07-14-2024
10:15:33 am



Tim in KY About 16 km to the start of the HC.

07-14-2024
10:16:45 am



Alaska dave Good morning from Alaska. I'm feeling the effects of October in July. 40 degree temps 40 mph winds gusts, lots of rain.

07-14-2024
10:16:48 am



Alaska dave We had a team for an event: three wrecks and a doctor. Would be good name for my fantasy team.

07-14-2024
10:18:26 am



PasadenaK8 Good thing you had a doctor.

07-14-2024
10:19:55 am



Katie S Good morning, Dave. Howâ€™s the grandbaby?

07-14-2024
10:20:00 am



BusterSci The third of the trio of best friends (along with DSDagies) is in Juneau this week. Has a Sis that lives there.

07-14-2024
10:20:10 am



Alaska dave A good distraction from the weather.

07-14-2024
10:20:55 am



Tim in KY Gap has stabilized for now.

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10:21:44 am



Alaska dave <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1720967269-24be11e4-73cb-48d9-9f4e-712425abea2b.jpeg>

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10:22:52 am



PasadenaK8 What a little sweetie!

07-14-2024
10:24:04 am



Alaska dave It is already fun to watch new parents. They first said they didnâ€™t want grandparent help early, but that is rapidly changing.

07-14-2024
10:24:33 am



Katie S I bet!! A couple nights without sleep will do that to a person.

07-14-2024
10:26:28 am



Alaska dave It turns out the hospital nurse was their neighbor. Juneau is a small town.

07-14-2024
10:27:38 am



Alaska dave Iâ€™m sorry your friend will have limited outdoor activities. Å My wife went to an outdoor theater performance last night. Dressed for the weather.

07-14-2024
10:29:48 am



Alaska dave Peacock coverage is lots of personality and drama with little substance, led by an aging bumbling commentator. Å . . .

07-14-2024
10:31:46 am



BusterSci Dave, do you know a Keith Walker in town?

07-14-2024
10:33:28 am



HALO

Welcome Baby!

My Name: JESSIE LEE
My Mother: JESSIE LEE
My Father: JESSIE LEE
My Birth Date: 11/11/11
My Birth Time: 11:11 AM
My Birth Weight: 11.11 lbs
My Birth Length: 11.11 in
My Birth Head Circumference: 11.11 in
My Birth Apgar 1: 11.11
My Birth Apgar 5: 11.11
My Birth APGAR 10: 11.11
My Birth APGAR 15: 11.11
My Birth APGAR 20: 11.11
My Birth APGAR 25: 11.11
My Birth APGAR 30: 11.11
My Birth APGAR 35: 11.11
My Birth APGAR 40: 11.11
My Birth APGAR 45: 11.11
My Birth APGAR 50: 11.11
My Birth APGAR 55: 11.11
My Birth APGAR 60: 11.11
My Birth APGAR 65: 11.11
My Birth APGAR 70: 11.11
My Birth APGAR 75: 11.11
My Birth APGAR 80: 11.11
My Birth APGAR 85: 11.11
My Birth APGAR 90: 11.11
My Birth APGAR 95: 11.11
My Birth APGAR 100: 11.11



Tim in KY Pog still has four teammates with him.

07-14-2024
10:34:48 am



Alaska dave I know a few walkers but not a Keith

07-14-2024
10:35:14 am



Alaska dave Having taught here for 25 years and now running St. Vincent de Paul, more people recognize me than I can remember names.

07-14-2024
10:37:53 am



BusterSci <https://rumbletalk-images->

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07-14-2024
10:39:12 am



BusterSci Do you know either of the guys not in blue?

07-14-2024
10:39:30 am



PasadenaK8 Read that this a about a 45 minute ascent (oof).

07-14-2024
10:41:03 am



Alaska dave I recognize only the "little" salmon.

07-14-2024
10:41:15 am



BusterSci HA!

07-14-2024
10:41:37 am



Alaska dave Kelderman cooked. Doesn't taste as good as fresh salmon.

07-14-2024
10:42:07 am



Tim in KY Gap dropping like a rock.

07-14-2024
10:42:26 am



Tim in KY It's 16 km straight up, K8.

07-14-2024
10:44:06 am



Alaska dave Jorgensen came back from bike change, only Visma helper.

07-14-2024
10:44:08 am



Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images->

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10:44:22 am



PasadenaK8 Oof

07-14-2024
10:44:32 am





Alaska dave Break breaking up

07-14-2024
10:44:37 am



Tim in KY Crapass attacks.

07-14-2024
10:44:48 am



PasadenaK8 Breaking Bad...

07-14-2024
10:45:01 am



Tim in KY Jorgenson really pushing it but for how long.

07-14-2024
10:46:16 am



Alaska dave Group of 7 with 3 teams of 2

07-14-2024
10:47:07 am



Tim in KY The break is riding foolishly.

07-14-2024
10:47:13 am



Alaska dave Landa, Yates & Jorgensen with their leaders.

07-14-2024
10:47:54 am



Katie S Omelet de champignons and a ham and Gruyère croissant for Bastille Day b  fast   timed to perfection for the Plateau de Beille

07-14-2024
10:50:40 am



Alaska dave Riders coming back to yellow group.

07-14-2024
10:50:57 am



BusterSci Dave, how about Eileen Nalky-Walker?

07-14-2024
10:55:17 am



Tim in KY Seems early.

07-14-2024
10:55:19 am



bikerabe Pog goes with polka dot

07-14-2024
10:55:26 am



PasadenaK8 "Pog and the Polka Dots" = good name for a band.

07-14-2024
10:56:19 am



Tim in KY 10 km banner. Really early.

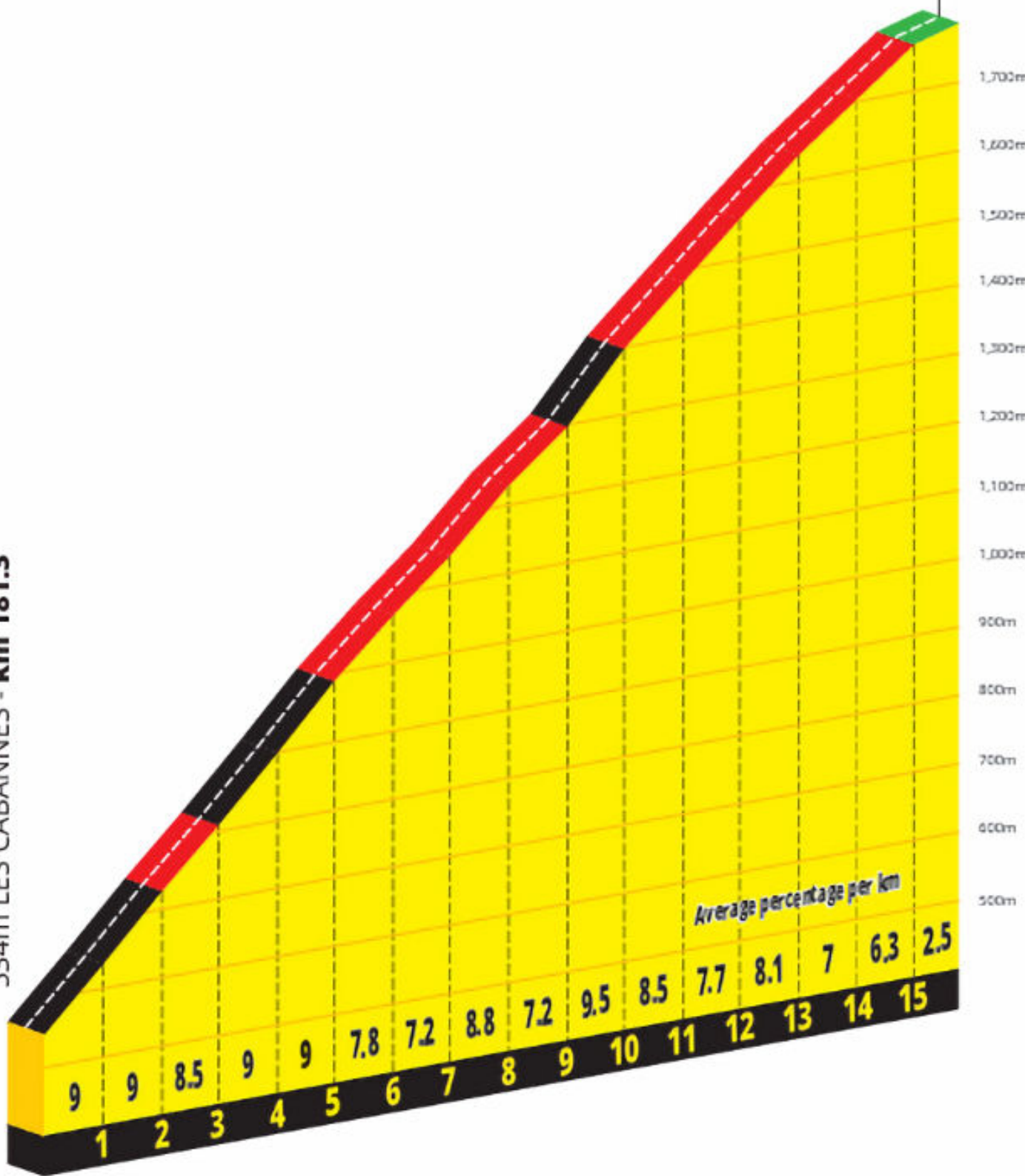
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PLATEAU DE BEILLE

1,780m - km 197.7
(15.8km at 7.9%)



534m LES CABANNES - km 181.3



Average percentage per km



bikerabe now Pog is riding like he did at Giro

07-14-2024
10:57:37 am



Katie S Gotta hand it to Crapass here

07-14-2024
10:59:09 am



Tim in KY Didn't last long.

07-14-2024
10:59:29 am



Katie S Well, it was a valiant effort

07-14-2024
10:59:37 am



bikerabe Vinego is polka dot so still a competition

07-14-2024
11:00:12 am



Katie S He gets most aggressive rider, though: Carapaz

07-14-2024
11:00:33 am



Katie S Pog has a slightly faster cadence than Jonas. Saw that on the stage that Vingo bested him on, too. Wondered then if gearing choice was an issue.

07-14-2024
11:01:49 am



Alaska dave Sorry buster. You're fishing but no nibbles.

07-14-2024
11:02:02 am



Tim in KY When does Pog attack?

07-14-2024
11:05:00 am



BusterSci I think they're newbs. Spent a lot of time in Montana. I think they were NPS.

07-14-2024
11:05:20 am



Alaska dave I only know the retired NPS. In fact Vic Armijo is doing some work around here.

07-14-2024
11:06:58 am



Tim in KY Now is when he attacks.

07-14-2024
11:08:31 am



Katie S Well whoa

07-14-2024
11:08:34 am



bikerabe Pog says byby to Jonas

07-14-2024
11:08:49 am



PasadenaK8 5K ta go...

07-14-2024
11:09:10 am



Alaska Dave Remco a minute behind.

07-14-2024
11:09:33 am



Tim in KY Vinego clearly not 100% from the big crash.

07-14-2024
11:10:02 am



Katie S But heâ€™s still better than all but one of everyone else

07-14-2024
11:11:00 am



PasadenaK8 Frozen Peacock - arg!

07-14-2024
11:11:09 am



bikerabe right Katie

07-14-2024
11:12:07 am



Alaska Dave Clear differences for top three. Thawed and cooked peacock is still barely edible

07-14-2024
11:12:47 am



PasadenaK8 Word.

07-14-2024
11:13:18 am



Tim in KY Fastest imaginable finish time is 17:22.

07-14-2024
11:14:30 am



Alaska Dave Pog putting time on Vinego putting time on remco heads and shoulders above everyone else.

07-14-2024
11:14:46 am



Katie S The laughing group has made up a few minutes, I think

07-14-2024
11:15:15 am



Alaska Dave Flying kick at a runner. Ninja spectators enforcing behavior.

07-14-2024
11:16:42 am



Tim in KY Flattens out a bit from here on.

07-14-2024
11:16:47 am



Tim in KY Should be barriers .

07-14-2024
11:17:20 am



mmcally Tadej has the Giro in his legs and still able to ride at this level. Impressive.

07-14-2024
11:17:26 am



Katie S Barriers now

07-14-2024
11:17:47 am



Katie S With time bonus, pog has another minute on the road

07-14-2024
11:20:02 am



PasadenaK8 Using the 17:22 as fastest, and using McNally's 18% (...sounds of abacus...), that would make the cut off time at about 57 minutes and change. (right?) Cav at about 30mins right now, looks safe.

07-14-2024
11:20:21 am



Katie S Vingegaard is wiped out

07-14-2024
11:22:01 am



Tim in KY More like 52 I think but Cav should make it.

07-14-2024
11:22:24 am



Tim in KY Another sprint stage Tuesday.

07-14-2024
11:23:53 am



Alaska Dave Vonego 1:08. Remco 2:50

07-14-2024
11:24:07 am



Katie S All righty! We are going to head for the nursery again (wish us luck) this morning before the beach traffic. It's hot inland, so folks flock here even in the fog to cool down a bit.

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PasadenaK8 Okay-doke, Gotta dash and get me some breakfast (unfortunately not as delicious as Katie's), before another town hall meeting. Thank gawd for the Monday Rest Day! See you all on Tuesday!

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Katie S Thanks, Tim, again - for all you do.

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