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donny nice socks with sandals as well.	05-18 09:45

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Tim in Ky Roger Ailes died, the NYTimes reports.	05-18 09:22

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RSoseman As McArthurs said_ I hope he passes muster in the great beyond, even if	05-18 09:31
he didn't pass the mustard when I was having a hot dog	
donny really puts a damper on the snarky stuff though	05-18 09:31

RSoseman Gosh, this group may not exist if we followed your mothers sage advice	05-18 09:32
BusterSci Nice, Mons!	05-18 09:32
RSoseman Plus my essay is replete with criticism or witcism today. Maybe I should not post.	05-18 09:32
Katie Post! Post!	05-18 09:33
donny never nice to tease with and essay and not deliver said essay. I for one always show up and if not live at least reread the archive just in hopes there might be one.	05-18 09:33
Tim in Ky 69 km, 4:22.	05-18 09:37
BusterSci I'd say: 1) we're all adults here. 2) it's nice to have a place where the tension of current times is forgotten. 3) It's a boring stage, so why not? 4) Better be ready for rebuttal.	
Katie Post! Post!	05-18 09:38
BusterSci Katie is hankering for a rumble.	05-18 09:38
BusterSci Jets or Sharks?	05-18 09:39
Katie Lampres	05-18 09:40
donny nice katie	05-18 09:41
BusterSci It's like you're asking me to post the picture	05-18 09:41
Katie Post! Post!	05-18 09:42
SFinAusTx post! I already can't un-see it.	05-18 09:42
BusterSci Now I need to know if you're talking to me or Mons.	05-18 09:43

SFinAusTx As with many either-or situations, the answer is "both"	05-18 09:43
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donny Looking good Buster!	05-18 09:44
BusterSci I think I'm a member of his gang.	05-18 09:45
donny nice socks with sandals as well.	05-18 09:45
donny This is nice right.	05-18 09:45
BusterSci As far as we know he isn't dead, so it's OK.	05-18 09:46
BusterSci Are you as thankful as I am that he's wearing a T shirt under that?	05-18 09:47
BusterSci Mind the gap!	05-18 09:47
donny speaking of a rumble and battles and wars and cycling and SAGAN Greaser's Roc's	or05-18 09:48
BusterSci All I know is I really love this cooking revolution!	05-18 09:48
donny https://youtu.be/UYUZIW0kEPM	05-18 09:49
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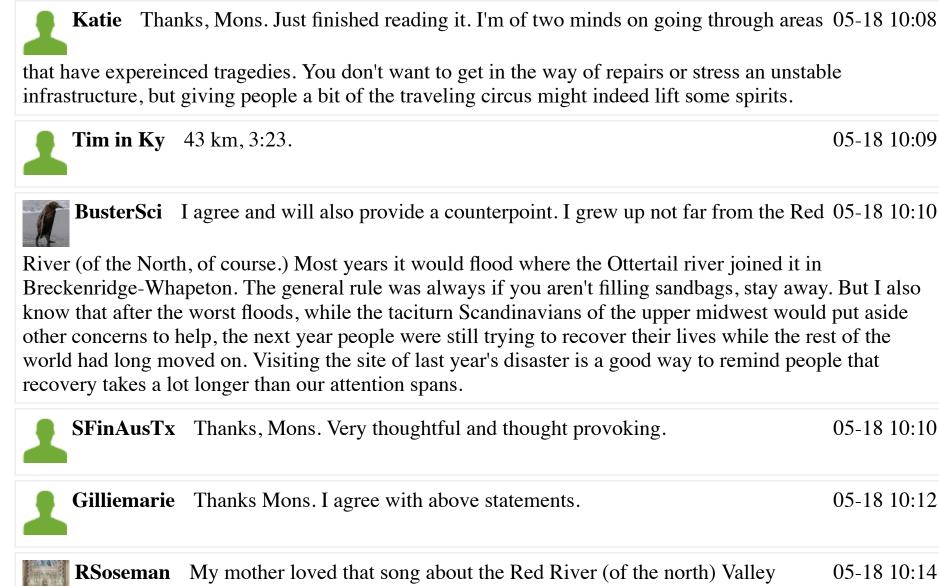
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Tim in Ky 43 km, 3:23.	05-18 10:09
BusterSci I agree and will also provide a counterpoint. I grew up not far from the Red	05-18 10:10
River (of the North, of course.) Most years it would flood where the Ottertail river joined it in Breckenridge-Whapeton. The general rule was always if you aren't filling sandbags, stay away know that after the worst floods, while the taciturn Scandinavians of the upper midwest would other concerns to help, the next year people were still trying to recover their lives while the re world had long moved on. Visiting the site of last year's disaster is a good way to remind peoprecovery takes a lot longer than our attention spans.	y. But I also I put aside st of the
SFinAusTx Thanks, Mons. Very thoughtful and thought provoking.	05-18 10:10
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RSoseman Modena is fairly bleh. Parma is beautiful	05-18 10:34
BusterSci Dumoulin up front. He belongs there in pink, and he has the additional justification of helping to lead out Sam Bennet.	05-18 10:35
BusterSci Parma is delicious and picturesque. I would say the same about Piemonte. La Morra, Barolo, Neive. Barbaresco. White truffles. I want to go back.	05-18 10:36
Katie OK! Let's go!	05-18 10:36
BusterSci 53s and 20.8	05-18 10:36
Tim in Ky 20 km banner. 0:50 the gap.	05-18 10:37
BusterSci The view at twilight from the church in La Morra is something else.	05-18 10:38
Twinkling villages dotting the vineyard covered hillsides. It the late fall it's incredibleif it is	n't foggy.
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BusterSci You can't really see the elevation in the photos. Cameras don't do it justice.	05-18 10:40

Tim in Ky	Pulling neutral service car out of the gap.	05-18 10:41
BusterSci	No BBB zone? I'll shut up.	05-18 10:41
BusterSci	(anybody believe that?)	05-18 10:41
Katie uh	•••	05-18 10:42
BusterSci	Gaviria's main readout guy flats.	05-18 10:42
BusterSci	Leadout.	05-18 10:43
Tim in Ky	15 km 0:23.	05-18 10:43
BusterSci	15km. 23s	05-18 10:43
BusterSci	We're on the same time today, Tim.	05-18 10:43
BusterSci	They'll let things dangle a bit. No reason to catch too early.	05-18 10:44
BusterSci	Our Bardiani breaker, Maestri, is off on his own.	05-18 10:45
Tim in Ky	Delusional Bardiani rider.	05-18 10:45
BusterSci	Richeze is back to the peloton for Gaviria	05-18 10:45
	Maestri doing his job, getting "Bardiani" said a couple more times before	05-18 10:46
the sprint.		
BusterSci	12.5km. 18s	05-18 10:46
BusterSci	The other two breakers are caught.	05-18 10:46

BusterSci	Orica leading.	05-18 10:46
BusterSci	QS helping	05-18 10:47
BusterSci	Lotto S up there too, but not really helping.	05-18 10:47
BusterSci	Gap toning up a bit. Was down in the teens now back up to 20s	05-18 10:48
BusterSci breaker well in ha	They aren't driving really hard yet, obviously. They've got the single	05-18 10:48
	10.4km. 22s	05-18 10:48
Dustel Sci	10.4KIII. 22S	03-16 10.46
BusterSci	When they decide it's time this will close in a minute.	05-18 10:49
BusterSci	If that	05-18 10:49
	That Bardiani kit is a mix of CCC and Cannondale. Fluorescent green and	05-18 10:49
orange. Gaah.		
BusterSci	More smoke bombs.	05-18 10:50
Elanzo (ju	ust caught up - lovely essay, Mons, as always!)	05-18 10:50
BusterSci	Orica has 2 on the front with QS following.	05-18 10:50
BusterSci	8.8km. 18s	05-18 10:50
Tim in Ky	Pinch point approaches.	05-18 10:51
BusterSci	8km. 12s	05-18 10:51
BusterSci	GC teams to the fore until 3km	05-18 10:51

BusterSci	9s	05-18 10:52
BusterSci	7s	05-18 10:52
BusterSci	4s	05-18 10:52
BusterSci	Prepare to scroll up if you want to see the fat guy.	05-18 10:52
BusterSci	Maestri still churning and turning.	05-18 10:52
BusterSci	Caught	05-18 10:53
BusterSci	6.7km	05-18 10:53
BusterSci	FDJ along side Orica at the front.	05-18 10:53
Tim in Ky	Didn't pinch very hard.	05-18 10:53
BusterSci	6km	05-18 10:53
BusterSci	Bora now	05-18 10:54
BusterSci	Movistar	05-18 10:54
BusterSci	5.5km	05-18 10:54
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BusterSci	Pink not helping with the readout.	05-18 10:55

BusterSci	4km	05-18 10:55
BusterSci	Lining out the peloton	05-18 10:56
BusterSci	3.5km	05-18 10:56
BusterSci	Bora really pushing for Sam	05-18 10:56
Tim in Ky	3 km.	05-18 10:56
BusterSci	Lotto S forms their own line for Greipel	05-18 10:56
BusterSci	Under 3km	05-18 10:56
BusterSci	All sprinters teams now.	05-18 10:57
BusterSci	Bora at 2.5	05-18 10:57
BusterSci	Why do I keep thinking Dumouling is riding with Bora?	05-18 10:57
BusterSci	Dummy	05-18 10:57
BusterSci	2km	05-18 10:57
BusterSci	We have a break off the front	05-18 10:58
BusterSci	Selle Italia	05-18 10:58
BusterSci	Zhupa!	05-18 10:58
BusterSci	Bora closes it down	05-18 10:58
BusterSci	1.1km	05-18 10:58

Tim in Ky red kite.	05-18 10:58
BusterSci Posty leading	05-18 10:58
BusterSci .7km	05-18 10:59
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BusterSci 300m	05-18 10:59
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BusterSci Sam gets 3rd.	05-18 11:00
BusterSci Awaiting top 10s.	05-18 11:00
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Charles Davis Good entertainment today. See everyone tomorrow.	05-18 11:04
BusterSci Going to interviews. Confirmed no changes to GC so I won't wait to post. TAH.	05-18 11:05

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