**Tim in KY** TdF Stage 9 is 200 kilometers beginning and ending in Troyes but 07-06-2024 spent mostly among the Champagne vineyards of northern Burgundy. 32 km are on gravel roads within the vineyards themselves. There are 14 sections of gravel ranging in length from 1,200 meters to 4,200 meters.

Tim in KY https://rumbletalk-images-

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Tim in KY There are many little climbs along the route but only four are categorized, all Cat 4. Two of those are on gravel. The finish route is technical but not likely to be contested as a bunch sprint. It's more a day for the one-day classic riders.

Tim in KY https://rumbletalk-images-

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Tim in KY https://rumbletalk-images-

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**Tim in KY** After a long neutral, kilometer zero is schedule for 13:35 CEST. Finish is imagined either side of 18:00. Forecast is for overcast skies but no rain with temps in the low-20s.

07-06-2024 03:32:32 pm

**Tim in KY** The updated forecast now allows for some sunshine.

07-06-2024 04:30:41 pm

**DStan58** whew, 14 gravel sectors out of 200 km? Hardly time to settle in for the dusty road and bam! you're back in the tarmac. This could really catch a lot of guys out. Should be a most excellent stage.

Tim in KY Today's forecast is even sunnier. The stage ends after 6pm CEST 07-07-2024 and then the riders have a 2+ hour transfer to their rest day hotels in Orléans.

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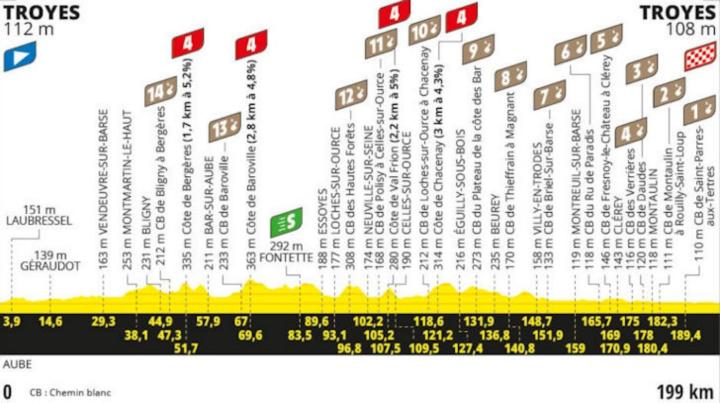
**Katie Lane** Looks like a tough, dusty day.

07-07-2024 06:58:46 am



mmcnally Bonjour a tous. Bonjour, Tom. Big day for the Tour, but a massive 07-07-2024







day in the country of France (and for all of Europe for that matter) with the second round of elections taking place. Results will be announced at 11 a.m. PDT.

mmcnally Bonjour, Tim* That's what I get for not wearing my glasses.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 07:17:29 am
<b>bikerabe</b> big tailwind for the start	<b>07-07-2024</b> 07:21:51 am
<b>bikerabe</b> Start	<b>07-07-2024</b> 07:33:00 am
<b>bikerabe</b> polka dot in 1st breal	<b>07-07-2024</b> 07:34:06 am
Tim in KY Back from my walk. Nice cool morning here.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 07:34:10 am
<b>bikerabe</b> break	<b>07-07-2024</b> 07:34:22 am
<b>bikerabe</b> Besegger for EF out front alone	<b>07-07-2024</b> 07:37:39 am
Tim in KY It's going to be a hard break to get into because the general sense is that the stage winner will come from it.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 07:39:59 am
<b>bikerabe</b> 5 riders in break no polka dot	<b>07-07-2024</b> 07:43:43 am
<b>bikerabe</b> POWLESS IS ONE	<b>07-07-2024</b> 07:44:18 am
<b>bikerabe</b> Gee of Canada also in break	<b>07-07-2024</b> 07:45:33 am
<b>bikerabe</b> polka dot now in back of peloton	<b>07-07-2024</b> 07:53:12 am
<b>bikerabe</b> break not getting away	<b>07-07-2024</b> 08:04:14 am

<b>Katie Lane</b> Gee has been quieter in this Tour than I had hoped. Fingers crossed for the mountain stages.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 08:04:35 am
Tim in KY Movi really not happy missing the break.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 08:04:39 am
<b>bikerabe</b> Echelons!	<b>07-07-2024</b> 08:16:46 am
Tim in KY All together again.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 08:19:20 am
<b>Rob</b> Just found out the bbc have a stream starting at 2pm (bst), that should be ad free. Although I wont be able to understand it.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 08:22:51 am
Tim in KY Why couldn't you understand the BBC?	<b>07-07-2024</b> 08:25:16 am
Rob Its on the Welsh speaking channel.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 08:27:06 am
Tim in KY Oh.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 08:28:25 am
Tim in KY On the gravel.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 08:28:40 am
Tim in KY Dusty, dusty.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 08:30:19 am
Tim in KY Currently 12 minutes faster than the fastest	<b>07-07-2024</b> 08:35:52 am
<b>bikerabe</b> peloton over 1 min. back	<b>07-07-2024</b> 08:37:48 am
<b>bikerabe</b> now 2 min. gap	<b>07-07-2024</b> 08:41:29 am
Tim in KY Groups all over the place.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 08:42:31 am

<b>bikerabe</b> Pidcock coming to join break	<b>07-07-2024</b> 08:42:37 am
Tim in KY More dust.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 08:55:14 am
Katie S Good mornin! Bonjour! Gravel!	<b>07-07-2024</b> 08:57:10 am
mmcnally Little chaotic with guys dismounting on the short little hill.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 08:58:32 am
RCG Just turned on the coverage. The gravel sector looked pretty chaotic.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 08:58:41 am
Tim in KY Too mant riders, not enough road.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 08:59:18 am
Tim in KY One of the EFs got dropped on that gravel climb.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:01:12 am
mmcnally Roglic 30ish seconds back of the yellow jersey group at the moment.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:02:30 am
Tim in KY Powless was dropped on the gravel climb.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:07:46 am
Katie S Bummer for my team. But I do have Pidcock.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:13:54 am
Tim in KY Rog 15 second back now.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:15:40 am
<b>bikerabe</b> De Lie can get sprint points	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:18:27 am
Tim in KY Feed zone.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:22:09 am
<b>Katie S</b> So, I read that voters in France "came out in droves, but then this, which I find depressing: Turnout at midday local time was the highest in	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:22:10 am

Katie S So, I read that voters in France "came out in droves, but then this, which I find depressing: Turnout at midday local time was the highest in over two decades, at about 26.6 percent†â€¦ just a hair over a quarter of voters is a record?

Tim in KY Break only has 1:31 now.		
<b>bikerabe</b> Powless group coming back to peloton	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:24:23 am	
mmcnally Katie - the turnout last week was 67%. 76 of seats were decided last Sunday. I expect it will be another high number today.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:26:01 am	
Katie S Ah, got it. Thanks. I completely misread that.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:26:56 am	
mmcnally Barring a surprise, the RN will have the most seats. But it shouldn't be a governing majority. J'espere.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:29:27 am	
Katie S Moi aussi	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:29:48 am	
mmcnally Champagne art in the field. Very nice. Makes me think I should have purchased a bottle for this stage. But the day is still young.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:32:41 am	
Tim in KY Only 9 minutes faster than the fastest now.	07-07-2024 09:33:25 am	
Katie S About 10 km to next gravel?	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:35:38 am	
<b>Tim in KY</b> Those sponsor banners on the road that say French Rexel is an electrical supply company. I had to look that up and it turns they have a store here in town.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:36:01 am	
Katie S You must go pay your tribute!	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:36:35 am	
Tim in KY Closer than that, I think, Katie.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:36:35 am	
Katie S And here we are	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:37:04 am	
Tim in KY That was closer.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:37:19 am	

Tim in KY Next section is just 8 km away.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:38:39 am
Tim in KY Halfway done.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:39:30 am
<b>bikerabe</b> peloton 1 min. back	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:39:43 am
Tim in KY Looks like UAE wants to snuff the break.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:40:13 am
bikerabe Pog goes!	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:54:42 am
Tim in KY I think Pog may be making a mistake.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:54:50 am
Katie S They will not want to let him get any gap	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:55:47 am
<b>bikerabe</b> 87 km to go	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:55:51 am
Tim in KY Pog got shut down.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:56:32 am
mmcnally Not sure what he was trying to do there.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 09:56:44 am
Tim in KY They started sector 10 just 2 minutes faster than the fastest	<b>07-07-2024</b> 10:05:20 am
<b>Tim in KY</b> I wonder why the asphalt just ends in the middle of nowhere.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 10:06:13 am
mmcnally What is the best time to visit this region? Is it the summer months?	<b>07-07-2024</b> 10:06:54 am
<b>Katie S</b> "Ce n'est pas mon departementâ€	<b>07-07-2024</b> 10:08:00 am

Tim in KY We were there in May several years ago and it quite nice.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 10:08:07 am
bikerabe gap goes down on gravel	<b>07-07-2024</b> 10:08:47 am
Tim in KY This sector is 4,200 meters long.	07-07-2024 10:09:14 am
mmcnally It looks like a very nice place to visit. I need to add this one to the list. Thanks, Tim.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 10:09:37 am
Tim in KY Remco attacks. Foolish.	07-07-2024 10:10:06 am
mmcnally I don't get this attack either.	07-07-2024 10:11:24 am
Katie S Testing each other? Bored? Impatient? Impetuous?	<b>07-07-2024</b> 10:12:06 am
mmcnally All of the above?	<b>07-07-2024</b> 10:12:23 am
mmcnally Makes for fun viewing.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 10:12:47 am
Tim in KY Next sector starts with ~2 KU to go.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 10:13:10 am
<b>bikerabe</b> Vinego on Pog's wheel	<b>07-07-2024</b> 10:13:14 am
PasadenaK8 ðŸ'∢	<b>07-07-2024</b> 10:14:30 am
mmcnally Good morning K8. Don't mind our dust in here.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 10:15:13 am
PasadenaK8 hee-hee aCHOOO! 🤧	07-07-2024 10:16:11 am





**mmcnally** What is going on with these guys? Is there champagne in their bottles?

07-07-2024 10:18:46 am

PasadenaK8 Speaking of dust‹ My mountains ran away the other day, but <sup>07-07-2024</sup> am happy to report that they returned home this morning - (grumble, grumble, becoming a bit of a fireworks curmudgeon) Rose Bowl show definitely delivered on the 4th, but the other bazillion & one other fireworks extravaganzas in the area didn't help. Air quality was in the top/purple zone that night.



air…

Katie S Porini just made a reference to Humboldt County as the camera panned over to some green vegetation… maybe there's something in the

07-07-2024 10:23:42 am



Katie S Yipes, K8.

07-07-2024 10:24:22 am



**Tim in KY** Next sector starts 6 km after this one ends.

07-07-2024 10:25:46 am



Katie S And the leaders are there

07-07-2024 10:34:22 am



Katie S What's with the Cyclops?

07-07-2024 10:35:25 am



**PasadenaK8** I missed it. Are we at about 55.6K to go? Sometimes Peacock 07-07-2024 doesn't start me at "Live"



Katie S Yup

07-07-2024 10:37:57 am



**PasadenaK8** Thanks. Must have looked away for a second or two, or three, 07-07-2024 or...



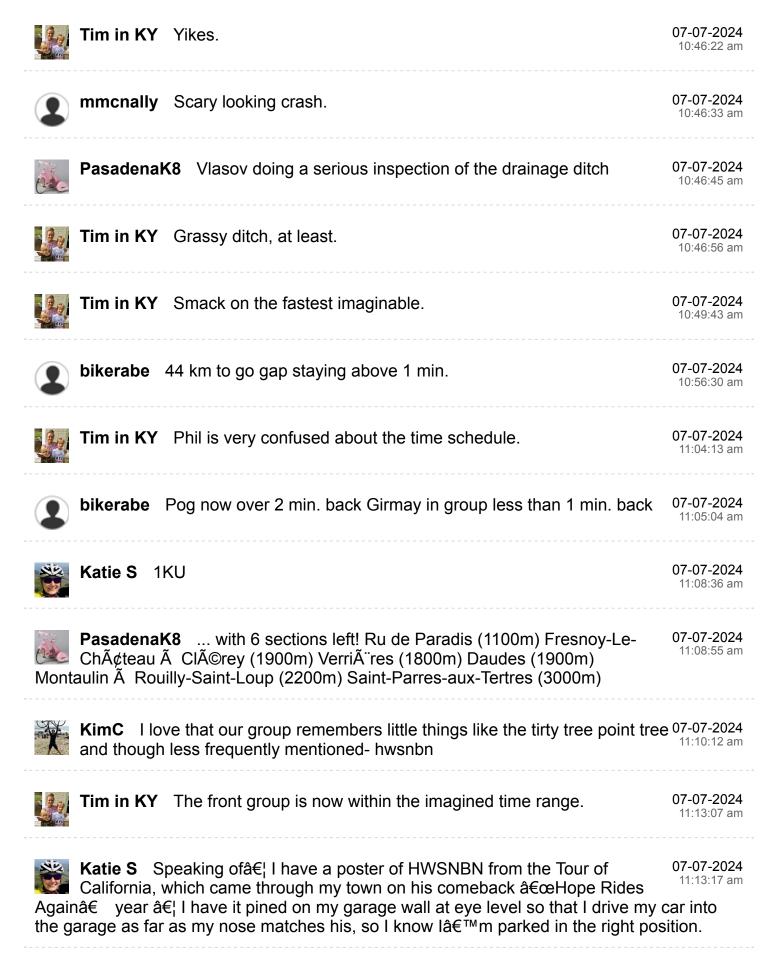
bikerabe under 53 km togo

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PasadenaK8 ruh-roh...

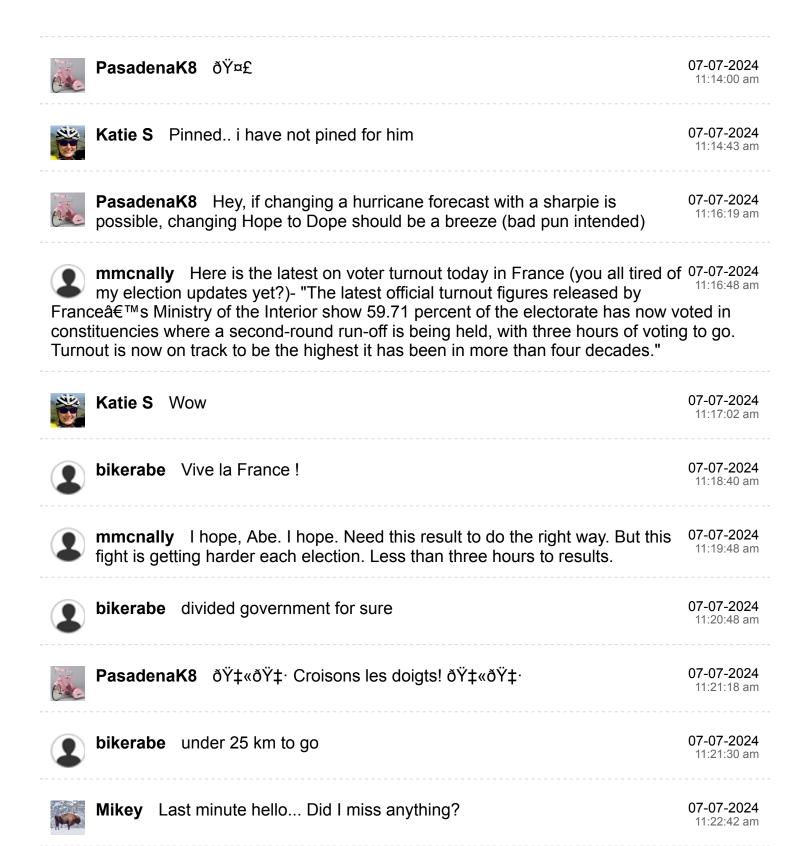
07-07-2024 10:45:10 am



WE.

Katie S I have always wanted to take a Sharpie and change Hope to Dope

07-07-2024 11:13:55 am



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Katie S A lot of dust

07-07-2024 11:23:21 am

Tim in KY Pog attacks again.

07-07-2024 11:25:00 am

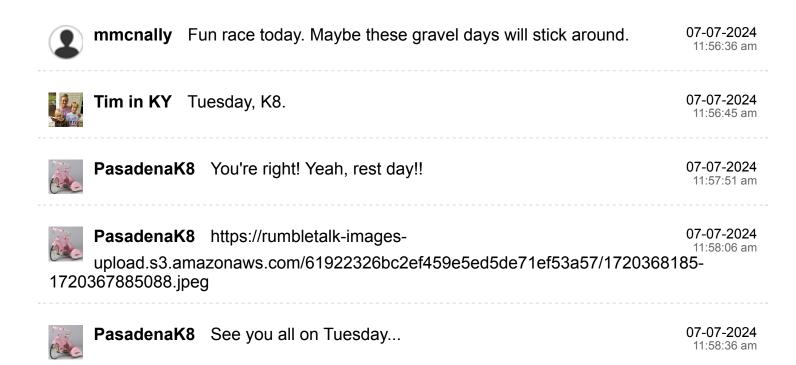


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**Tim in KY** There he goes. 07-07-2024
11:42:12 am

Tim in KY Stuyven has a good gap.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 11:45:17 am
Katie S And still does	<b>07-07-2024</b> 11:49:31 am
RCG The chasers will work together until they catch Stuyven  and then they'll just all start looking at each other.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 11:49:38 am
RCG IF they catch him	<b>07-07-2024</b> 11:50:05 am
Tim in KY I don't think they're going to catch him.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 11:50:23 am
Tim in KY Well, maybe they will.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 11:51:35 am
RCG Turgis	<b>07-07-2024</b> 11:53:03 am
RCG Gee 3rd	07-07-2024 11:53:10 am
mmcnally Third win for the French. Quite a Tour.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 11:53:55 am
RCG Pidcock was 2nd.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 11:54:32 am
Mikey New kind of bike toss	<b>07-07-2024</b> 11:55:03 am
Tim in KY Time to rest.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 11:55:07 am
PasadenaK8 Stage tomorrow looks like a side profile view of a piece of lumber that has slight termite damage on the top.	<b>07-07-2024</b> 11:55:21 am
Mikey Baa	<b>07-07-2024</b> 11:55:44 am

Preli	minary results.		
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1	TURGIS Anthony	TotalEnergies	4:19:
2	## PIDCOCK Thomas	INEOS Grenadiers	0:00
3	■ GEE Derek	Israel - Premier Tech	0:00
4	ARANBURU Alex	Movistar Team	0:00
5	HEALY Ben	EF Education - EasyPost	0:00
6	LUTSENKO Alexey	Astana Qazaqstan Team	0:00
7	ROMO Javier	Movistar Team	0:12
8	STUYVEN Jasper	Lidl - Trek	0:18
9	GIRMAY Biniam	Intermarché - Wanty	1:17
10	MATTHEWS Michael	Team Jayco AlUla	1:17





Katie S A bientot

**07-07-2024** 12:00:26 pm