



Race Riders Quote Sheet Compiled After Stage 3 of the Amgen Tour of California

Peter Sagan, BORA-hansgrohe

"It's been a very good (Amgen) Tour of California (for our team). We won yesterday, we won today and we still have the yellow jersey. My brother was working a lot today in the front, and was chasing the breakaway all day....My teammates helped to get me in the right position for the last run, and I have to thank them very much for that."

(On the group of sprinters this year vs. previous years) "It depends on the profile, the finish, if it's technical or straight, if there's wind, and every sprint has a different story."

Rafal Majka, BORA-hansgrohe

"We won two stages and the team is working very well. We have two jerseys and still four stages to the end but we're trying to save all the jerseys and win another stage. Peter is a win machine, so we'll try also tomorrow for him, and I'll try for stage 5....We want to keep these jerseys."

Ben Wolfe, Jelly Belly p/b Maxxis

(On his race and strategy) "There was really no strategy, it was just to get into the break and ride and if they tried to split it in the crosswinds to hopefully be able to stick the front group, but bike racing is just eternal hope, so I tried to go for it again today but these guys are fast."

Rick Zabel, Team KATUSHA ALPECIN

"I just tried to do a good lead out for a really long time, and at the end nobody came along, and it just kept going and with 150 meters to go I was still in front, and thought for like one second, okay maybe I could have a really good day and I can win, and then Peter (Sagan) came around me, and I was just in the draft of him and finished second. For me personally really nice to get a second, but for sure we wanted to win the stage."

(On getting second and Kristoff not winning) "Alex just didn't have the legs today. This happens...10 days ago in Frankfurt I also did a lead out for him and he won. He came around and finished with lots of seconds there. He's a really good guy and today was just not his best day."

About the Amgen Tour of California

The Amgen Tour of California is a Tour de France-style cycling road race created and presented by AEG that challenges the world's top professional cycling teams to compete along a demanding course that traverses hundreds of miles of California's iconic highways, byways and coastlines each spring. The teams chosen to participate include Olympic medalists, Tour de France contenders and World Champions. The Amgen Tour of California is part of the UCI WorldTour and awards important, world-ranking points to the top finishers. More information is available at amgentourofcalifornia.com.