

## DH#1 : Fort William, GBR : 01-02.06.2002

### Moseley Celebrate Downhill Wins

The 2002 season of the **Tissot-UCI Mountain Bike World Cup** began its downhill season this weekend in Fort William, Scotland as two Commonwealth nations celebrated victories in Sunday's finals. **Chris Kovarik** (AUS, *Intense Cycles*) won his second-straight world cup race for the men, just after **Tracy Moseley** (GBR, *Team Kona*) won her career's first.

Large, enthusiastic crowds lined all 2.6 kilometres of Scotland's new world cup course, which dropped 525 metres from the Ben Nevis mountain range over rocks and mud to the base area below. And, with both the debut of Four-Cross racing Saturday evening and the debut of world cup racing in Scotland, it was a memorable weekend for this mountain bike circuit. Weather was cool and wet for much of the day, raining lightly during much of the competition.



Tracey Moseley, GBR

Tracy Moseley (GBR, *Team Kona*) took advantage of her home-field advantage on Sunday, flying down the course in 5 minutes, 45.99 seconds to capture her first-ever win. *"After my qualifier, where I crashed, I just needed a steady run,"* she said. *"The noise from the crowd was absolutely incredible - I always wanted to race like this in Britain, and to win my first world cup here is brilliant."*

Moseley beat **Vanessa Quin** (NZL, *Intense*) by 6.48 seconds after a poor qualifier had her coming down the mountain 11th in the finals. 4th-seeded Quin came closest to Moseley's time, after having practiced and raced with her friend in Britain for a national race last weekend. *"I thought Scotland's conditions would be like this, so I think racing in Britain definitely helped,"* said Quin afterward. *"I was hoping for a good clean run and a top five finish, and was surprised with my finish result today. It's about time!"*

**Sabrina Jonnier** (FRA, *Intense Cycles*) was 10.64 seconds off the winning time, and finished third after winning the final world cup of last season in Quebec. *"I had a bad run,"* she said. *"I had good speed but then was stopped by the mud and had to push my bike, and lost too much time in two parts of the course."*

Another British rider, **Fionn Griffiths** (GBR, *Ancillotti UK*), finished 4th after qualifying 5th fastest, 11.45 seconds off the winning time. She won on this same course last season in a British National race, but couldn't match Moseley's speed today.

Top qualifier **Missy Giove** (USA, *Global Racing Team*) finished 5th, after being forced to ride the final run with a flat rear tire - which lost its air within seconds of the start of her run. Current World and World Cup Champion **Anne-Caroline Chausson** (FRA, *Volvo-Cannondale*) crashed uncharacteristically during both her qualifier and final, finishing 19th - her second worst result since 1996.



<b>Rk</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>UCI Code</b>	<b>Surname</b>	<b>Firstname</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Gap</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>GBR19790412</b>	<b>MOSELEY</b>	<b>Tracy</b>		<b>5:45.99</b>	<b>+0.0</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>NZL19761015</b>	<b>QUIN</b>	<b>Vanessa</b>		<b>5:52.47</b>	<b>+6.48</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>FRA19810819</b>	<b>JONNIER</b>	<b>Sabrina</b>		<b>5:56.63</b>	<b>+ 10.64</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>GBR19820827</b>	<b>GRIFFITHS</b>	<b>Fionn</b>		<b>5:57.44</b>	<b>+ 11.45</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>USA19730120</b>	<b>GIOVE</b>	<b>Missy</b>	<b>GLOBAL RACING</b>	<b>6:00.17</b>	<b>+ 14.18</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>FRA19780223</b>	<b>LE CAER</b>	<b>Nolvenn</b>	<b>FIAT ROTWILD</b>	<b>6:05.82</b>	<b>+ 19.83</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>ESP19790704</b>	<b>BLAS</b>	<b>Miriam</b>		<b>6:07.28</b>	<b>+ 21.29</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>SUI19770322</b>	<b>SANER</b>	<b>Marielle</b>	<b>GLOBAL RACING</b>	<b>6:10.12</b>	<b>+ 24.13</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>GBR19830116</b>	<b>GASKELL</b>	<b>Helen</b>		<b>6:13.10</b>	<b>+ 27.11</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>JPN19830401</b>	<b>SUEMASA</b>	<b>Moi</b>	<b>TREK VOLKSWAGEN</b>	<b>6:14.47</b>	<b>+ 28.48</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>AUT19801211</b>	<b>MOLCIK</b>	<b>Anita</b>	<b>BANK AUSTRIA</b>	<b>6:22.26</b>	<b>+ 36.27</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>NED19820707</b>	<b>BEERTEN</b>	<b>Anneke</b>	<b>TEAM BE ONE</b>	<b>6:23.26</b>	<b>+ 37.27</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>SUI19810612</b>	<b>REUSSER</b>	<b>Pascaline</b>		<b>6:28.52</b>	<b>+ 42.53</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>USA19750401</b>	<b>LAWYER</b>	<b>April</b>		<b>6:30.64</b>	<b>+ 44.65</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>CHI19851019</b>	<b>PIZARRO</b>	<b>Bernardita</b>		<b>6:37.12</b>	<b>+ 51.13</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>SUI19810719</b>	<b>WALKER</b>	<b>Sandra</b>		<b>6:44.79</b>	<b>+ 58.80</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>ECU19840319</b>	<b>MARGGRAFF</b>	<b>Diana</b>		<b>6:52.25</b>	<b>+1:06.26</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>AUT19801118</b>	<b>BERNHARD</b>	<b>Petra</b>	<b>BANK AUSTRIA</b>	<b>6:56.64</b>	<b>+1:10.65</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>FRA19771008</b>	<b>CHAUSSON</b>	<b>Anne- Caroline</b>	<b>VOLVO- CANNONDAL</b>	<b>6:59.41</b>	<b>+1:13.42</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>FRA19830128</b>	<b>GROS</b>	<b>Celine</b>	<b>MORZINE- AVORIAZ</b>	<b>7:05.45</b>	<b>+1:19.46</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>GBR19690926</b>	<b>BALLENTINE</b>	<b>Karen</b>		<b>7:08.69</b>	<b>+1:22.70</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>GBR19801025</b>	<b>PEPPER</b>	<b>Karen</b>		<b>7:16.57</b>	<b>+1:30.58</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>GBR19810317</b>	<b>LEIGH</b>	<b>Jo</b>		<b>7:37.08</b>	<b>+1:51.09</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>GBR19801018</b>	<b>MART</b>	<b>Jaymie</b>		<b>7:44.31</b>	<b>+1:58.32</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>GBR19720817</b>	<b>JONES</b>	<b>Tamsin</b>		<b>7:51.40</b>	<b>+2:05.41</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>USA19820226</b>	<b>PRUITT</b>	<b>Kathy</b>		<b>7:57.53</b>	<b>+2:11.54</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>GBR19710717</b>	<b>HOLLING</b>	<b>Victoria</b>		<b>8:03.80</b>	<b>+2:17.81</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>GBR19800602</b>	<b>HORRIDGE</b>	<b>Emily</b>		<b>8:05.83</b>	<b>+2:19.84</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>ESP19821008</b>	<b>JANEIRO</b>	<b>Violeta</b>		<b>8:10.63</b>	<b>+2:24.64</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>GBR19730223</b>	<b>DIWELL</b>	<b>Renee</b>		<b>8:10.86</b>	<b>+2:24.87</b>