

## DL#3: GROUSE MOUNTAIN, CAN – 7-8.7.2001

### American Experience Wins Dual

**Leigh Donovan** (USA, Schwinn) won her first-ever world cup dual Saturday evening, alongside her longtime friend and former teammate **Brian Lopes** (USA, Fox/GT) - this season's undefeated and current world cup champion.

A crowd estimated at 6,000 came out to watch the high-flying side-by-side action at Grouse Mountain, as 32 men and 14 women competed in the season's second round of dual racing.

Because of the cancellation of round two at Vars, this weekend's event is only the second of the season. The Kaprun, Austria event will host two dual events to maintain the season's eight events.



*Brian Lopes, USA*

**Brian Lopes** (USA, Fox/GT) kept his young season perfect with a win on the men's side Saturday, when he beat longtime rival **Eric Carter** (USA, Mongoose) in a close and exciting men's final run that saw the two champions finish within a metre of each other.

Carter, the '99 world cup champion and defending champion Lopes demonstrated perfectly the combination of power and bike handling necessary to win a dual world cup, flying over the huge jumps smoothly and keeping their bikes upright from start to finish. Lopes exploded from the start gate to take the early lead, and never relinquished it to Carter for the remainder of the run.

With his win, Lopes has a perfect 100 points in the overall, while third-place finisher **Mickael Deldycke** (FRA, Schwinn) is second overall. Carter is third in the rankings.

Deldycke beat top-qualifier **Chris Kovarik** (AUS, Intense Cycles) in the men's consolation round, taking the holeshot and protecting it fiercely all the way down the run. Kovarik had narrowly escaped a close run with fellow countryman **Sean McCarroll** (AUS, Global Racing Team) where both the riders crashed, and never was able to regain his speed in the two runs after that.

While Lopes' greatest challenge before the finals came from 7th-fastest qualifier **Cedric Gracia** (FRA, Volvo-Cannondale), Carter's came from 5th-fastest qualifier - and World Champion - **Wade Bootes** (AUS, Trek-Volkswagen). Both those heats were in the quarter-finals.

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Rank	Bib	Code	Surname	Firstname
1	2	USA19710609	LOPES	Brian
2	4	USA19700306	CARTER	Eric
3	19	FRA19800826	DELDYCKE	Mickael
4	1	AUS19780301	KOVARIK	Christopher
5	5	AUS19740530	BOOTES	Wade
6	7	FRA19780323	GRACIA	Cedric
7	22	GBR19741120	LONGDEN	Will
8	25	AUS19771105	MCCARROLL	Sean
9	3	AUS19831121	HANNAH	Mick
10	6	AUS19800920	WADDELL	John
11	9	USA19781028	YBARRA	Scott
12	13	USA19690630	KING	Mike
13	17	GBR19720201	PAGE	Nigel
14	18	USA19800930	HOUSEMAN	Gary
15	21	CZE19780529	MAROSI	Michal
16	23	BRA19800209	BERCHTOLD	Markolf
17	8	USA19810531	RENNIE	Nathan
18	10	AUS19790715	PANOZZO	Joel
19	11	SVK19820410	POLC	Filip
20	12	RSA19811113	MINNAAR	Greg
21	14	USA19780320	HOUSEMAN	Rich
22	15	GER19760514	TSCHUGG	Guido
23	16	CAN19760523	WATSON	David
24	20	GBR19780602	BEAUMONT	Scott
25	24	USA19750819	NAKAMURA	Jiro
26	26	USA19821113	NOBLE	Caile
27	27	IRL19770906	O ' BRIEN	Glyn
28	28	AUS19810622	RANDO	Jared
29	29	JPN19800422	IDEGAWA	Naoki
30	30	JPN19760413	TAKAMATSU	Kenji
31	31	USA19730308	O ' DRISCOLL	Chris
32	32	CAN19830822	LUNN	Jordie

# QUALIFICATION

<b>Rank</b>	<b>UCI Code</b>	<b>Surname</b>	<b>Firstname</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Time</b>
1	AUS19780301	KOVARIK	Christopher	INTENSE CYCLES	25.94
2	USA19710609	LOPES	Brian	GT FOX	26.27
3	AUS19831121	HANNAH	Mick	GLOBAL RACING	26.32
4	USA19700306	CARTER	Eric	MONGOOSE	26.36
5	AUS19740530	BOOTES	Wade	TREK/VOLKSWAGEN	26.67
6	AUS19800920	WADDELL	John	SUNRACE STURMEY-ARCHER USA	26.92
7	FRA19780323	GRACIA	Cedric	VOLVO/CANNONDALE	26.93
8	USA19810531	RENNIE	Nathan	YETI- PEARL IZUMI	27.11
9	USA19781028	YBARRA	Scott	TIOGA INTENSE	27.12
10	AUS19790715	PANOZZO	Joel	SUNRACE SANTA CRUZ	27.13
11	SVK19820410	POLC	Filip	AUTHOR - RB SKODA AUTO	27.16
12	RSA19811113	MINNAAR	Greg	GLOBAL RACING	27.19
13	USA19780320	HOUSEMAN	Rich	TOMAC	27.22
13	USA19690630	KING	Mike	HARO/LEE DUNGAREES	27.22
15	GER19760514	TSCHUGG	Guido	WHEELER	27.23
16	CAN19760523	WATSON	David	DIRT WORKS/SOMBRIO	27.32
17	GBR19720201	PAGE	Nigel	INTENSE	27.38
18	USA19800930	HOUSEMAN	Gary	TOMAC	27.54
19	FRA19800826	DELDYCKE	Mickael	SCHWINN	27.55
20	GBR19780602	BEAUMONT	Scott	TEAM KONA FORD FOCUS	27.57
21	CZE19780529	MAROSI	Michal	AUTHOR - RB SKODA AUTO	27.59
22	GBR19741120	LONGDEN	Will	TEAM MBUK	27.9
23	BRA19800209	BERCHTOLD	Markolf	GLOBAL RACING	27.94
24	USA19750819	NAKAMURA	Jiro	WTB KARPIEL	28.13
25	USA19821113	NOBLE	Caile	ROYAL ORANGE	28.33
25	AUS19771105	MCCARROLL	Sean	GLOBAL RACING	28.33
27	IRL19770906	O ' BRIEN	Glyn	IRISH CYCLING FEDERATION	28.39
28	AUS19810622	RANDO	Jared	FOES AZONIC	28.5
29	JPN19800422	IDEGAWA	Naoki	GLOBAL RACING	28.88
30	JPN19760413	TAKAMATSU	Kenji	SCHWINN JAPAN	29
31	USA19730308	O ' DRISCOLL	Chris	RAZOR ROCK MTN CYCLE	29.13
32	CAN19830822	LUNN	Jordie	SANTA CRUZ	29.32
33	USA19790118	LEDUC	Todd	AZONIC FOES	30.3
34	CAN19790320	MAILHOT	Stephane	DM CYCLO SPORT	30.67
35	CAN19760905	SIMARD	Kevin	X-WEAR TROYLEE	30.78
36	CAN19810919	SWANSBOROUGH	Cody	INDEPENDENT	30.83
37	USA19690819	CREWS	Darryl	SONIC PROFILE	31.04
38	CAN19710720	WALTERS	Kelly	FANATIC CO SPY RAZOR ROCK	31.48
39	CAN19750511	BELANGER	Frederic	MARTIN SWISS	35.32
	GER19780620	MEYENBORG	Sascha	INTENSE	DNF
	GBR19740617	PEAT	Steve	TEAM GT	DNS
	USA19700729	SEARS	Rob	RAZOR ROCK MTN CYCLE	DNS
	GBR19760727	SMITH	Waylon	ROYAL ORANGE	DNS
	FRA19800726	BAREL	Fabien	TEAM GT	DNS
	MEX19740126	RODRIGUEZ	Alvarez	TURBO	DNS
	JPN19761223	KANEKO	Daisaku	GLOBAL RACING	DNS