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02.07.2001: #2 round of the Tissot/UCI Dual World Cup, which had been cancelled in Vars, will be replaced with a second dual race in Kaprun, 11-12.08.2001. Please notice that both races will take place on two different circuits.

Lopes and Miller win sixth Dual World

Round six of the **Tissot-UCI Mountain Bike World Cup Dual Series** took place under the bright lights of nighttime in *Kaprun, Austria* - the weekend's first of two dual finals. In front of approximately 6,000 spectators and television cameras, series-leader and defending champion **Brian Lopes** (*USA, Fox/GT*) joined former champion and #2-ranked **Katrina Miller** (*AUS, Jamis*) atop the podium.



Brian Lopes, USA

Racing on this long 50-second course was scheduled for eight o'clock in the evening, but was delayed due to race qualifying - which had to be rescheduled into Saturday's busy race lineup due to rains on Friday. The finals began at 9:30 p.m., but the podium awards didn't conclude until after 11:00 p.m., completing twelve full hours of activity on this first day of a triple-event weekend.

Round seven of the world cup will take place on Sunday afternoon in Kaprun, making up for the second round - which was cancelled in Vars early in the season due to weather.



Brian Lopes (USA, Fox/GT) won his fifth dual final of this season, beating newcomer **Michal Prokop** (CZE, Specialized 69 Dist.) in the men's final - and securing the overall championship for the second-straight season.

"It went good, but I had some tough rounds early on - such as my quarter-final run against Cedric Gracia," said Lopes. "I liked the length of the course today, and enjoy racing in Kaprun."

Lopes earned his place in the final by qualifying fastest, and then beating **Wade Bootes** (AUS, Trek-Volkswagen) in semi-final one. Prokop beat **Scott Beaumont** (GBR, Kona/Ford Focus) to go to the finals. Bootes then beat Beaumont in the consolation round, ending a long day of downhill racing.

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5	3	FRA19800826	DELDYCKE	Mickael	SCHWINN
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12	17	CZE19770622	JOCH	Petr	ROCK MACHINE
13	19	GER19781225	SCHATZKI	David	TEAM MOUNTAINBIKE RIDER MAGAZIN
14	20	JPN19701123	TSUKAMOTO	Takasi	MX MONGOOSE
15	21	ESP19700428	BARCONS GONZALEZ	Carlos	REAL FEDERACION ESPANOLA
16		CZE19780529	MAROSI	Michal	AUTHOR RB SKODA AUTO
17	8	FRA19750110	AMOUR	Karim	DIAMONDBACK
18	9	AUS19771105	MCCARROLL	Sean	GLOBAL RACING
19	12	SVK19810516	KOZAR	Milan	ACK PARTNERS NEVE NESTE
20	13	CZE19810425	VAGNER	Adam	ROCK MACHINE
21	14	CZE19840828	MATUS	Filip	GRAFOBAL - SEMTEX
22	16	RSA19811113	MINNAAR	Greg	GLOBAL RACING
23	18	GER19770808	KLAUSMANN	Marcus	MK RACING TEAM
24	22	AUT19750504	LAGLER	Roman	BANK AUSTRIA NATIONALTEAM
25	23	GER19790209	WAGENKNECHT	Andre	MOUNTAINBIKE DOWNHILL MAGAZINE
26	26	GBR19821017	THOMSON	Stuart	ROYAL RACING
27	27	AUT19800707	BUBLA	Thomas	BANK AUSTRIA NATIONALTEAM
28	28	GER19820804	ANGERER	Leander	MARIN
29	29	AUT19810929	WEBER	Oliver	UNION MTB TEAM ST LEONHARD
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32	32	GER19830421	AUERSWALD	Daniel	SOCAL - NICOLAI

Lopes and Jonnier Rule Dual #7

Brian Lopes (USA, Fox/GT) and **Sabrina Jonnier** (FRA, RSP Import Intense) topped the finals list of the weekend's final event in Kaprun, winning Dual #7 in sunny afternoon conditions, on a slightly different course than was run in Saturday night's round six.

Enthusiastic crowds lined the course one last time this weekend, cheering on the dual riders, who raced their second event in as many days - making up for round two which was canceled. Racing on Kaprun's long course, the downhill athletes worked their way up and over the many jumps and turns to win the single-elimination runs on their way to the finals.



Brian Lopes, USA

Brian Lopes (USA, Fox/GT) won his 20th world cup event this weekend to remain nearly perfect in dual this season, having lost only one event in Japan. He has a firm lock on the overall title for the second season, and can now relax as he heads into the finals at **Mont Sainte-Anne**, knowing he'll hold onto the leader's jersey.

"It is nice, and relaxing, knowing that I have the title wrapped up," he said. He went on to describe the course, saying "They made some changes today which made it tougher, Some of the turns were real off-camber, and were still muddy underneath."



Cedric Gracia, FRA

Lopes beat **Mickael Deldycke** (FRA, Schwinn) in the finals, this weekend marking Deldycke's return to racing after injuring his knee in the Japanese round. In the consolation round **Cedric Gracia** (FRA, Volvo-Cannondale) beat **Wade Bootes** (AUS, Trek-Volkswagen) for 3rd and 4th places, respectively.

Lopes goes into the final round with a 155-point lead over second-ranked Bootes. Deldycke sits ranked third, while Gracia is fourth overall.

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