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Champions Chausson and Lopes Win Season's First Dual World Cup

2000 World Cup series champions **Anne-Caroline Chausson** (FRA, Volvo-Cannondale) and **Brian Lopes** (USA, Fox/GT) picked up where they left off from last season on Saturday, winning the opening round of the Tissot-UCI Dual World Cup in Maribor, Slovenia.



Crowds were large and the weather perfect for racing, as the world's top dual riders met under clear evening skies for racing. Thousands of enthusiastic fans lined the steep and technical dual course to watch 32 men and 16 women go head-to-head in the single-elimination format.

Anne-Caroline Chausson had qualified fastest in the afternoon's seeding session, and has never lost a world cup dual race since taking up the fast-moving discipline two seasons ago. But she had a scare this week in her final run against rival **Leigh Donovan** (USA, Schwinn). Donovan had qualified third-fastest, and made a close run of it after Chausson lost her speed near the top of the run.



Anne-Caroline Chausson - FRA

"I almost crashed at the [stall] wall," said Chausson. "It was not my cleanest run, but my leg is hurting a bit after I injured some ligaments at last week's French Cup."

But Donovan, who recently won a U.S. national race in California, was unable to get around Chausson before the run ended, giving the American second-place for the day - after she had beaten **Tara Llanes** (USA, Yeti/Pearl Izumi) in a semi-final run.

Chausson had beaten former champion **Katrina Miller** (AUS, Jamis) in the other semi-final, sending Miller and Llanes to face each other in the consolation round. Miller won that run, taking third place for the day as Llanes finished 4th.

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Final / Finale:					
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1	1	FRA19771008	CHAUSSON	Anne-Caroline	VOLVO CANNONDALE
2	3	USA19711211	DONOVAN	Leigh	SCHWINN MTB TEAM
3	4	AUS19750915	MILLER	Katrina	JAMIS BICYCLES
4	2	USA19761128	LLANES	Tara	
5	6	FRA19830128	GROS	Celine	
6	7	USA19650624	STREB	Marla	
7	9	USA19690531	DAHLAGER	Gale	
8	12	ECU19840319	MARGGRAFF	Diana	
9	5	FRA19810819	JONNIER	Sabrina	
10	8	FRA19780223	LE CAER	Nolvenn	
11	10	USA19711214	NICHOLAS	Kristina	
12	11	AUT19801118	BERNHARD	Petra	
13	13	GER19790228	GRANZOW	Sonja	
14	14	AUT19830811	FRUHWIRT	Helene	
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3	19	USA19711211	DONOVAN	Leigh	SCHWINN MTB TEAM
4	22	AUS19750915	MILLER	Katrina	JAMIS BICYCLES
5	20	FRA19810819	JONNIER	Sabrina	FRANCE
6	40	USA19830128	GROS	Celine	SCOTT USA
7	34	USA19650624	STREB	Marla	FOES AZONIC
8	41	FRA19780223	LE CAER	Nolvenn	FIAT ROTWILD
9	32	USA19690531	DAHLAGER	Gale	RAZOR ROCK MTN CYCLE
10	28	USA19711214	NICHOLAS	Kristina	RAZOR ROCK MTN CYCLE
11	29	AUT19801118	BERNHARD	Petra	BANK AUSTRIA NATIONALTEAM
12	31	ECU19840319	MARGGRAFF	Diana	SOCAL - NICOLAI
13	33	GER19790228	GRANZOW	Sonja	WWW POWER-FLOWER DE
14	44	AUT19830811	FRUHWIRT	Helene	HI TECH TEAM
15	43	FRA19820328	DON	Aurelia	TAILLEFER BICYCLES
16	39	GER19730319	JERENKO	Anja	WWW POWER-FLOWER DE
	23	SUI19790825	STIEGER	Sarah	SWITZERLAND
	24	GBR19810317	LEIGH	Jo	HALFORDS BIKEHUT SCHWINN
	25	USA19720120	GIOVE	Missy	GLOBAL RACING TEAM
	26	GBR19751005	CROXON	Adele	ANIMAL ORANGE
	27	CZE19780621	KURANDOVA	Helena	KANGAROO
	30	AUT19801112	MOLCIK	Anita	BANK AUSTRIA NATIONALTEAM
	35	FIN19730304	REPO	Katja	TEAM GT
	37	GBR19771225	BURCHAM	Kate	TEAM BN3
	38	GBR19820827	GRIFFITHS	Fionn	ANCILLOTTI ZEAL