

Tissot/UCI Mountain Bike World Cup - 2000 - Coupe du Monde MTB

XC #5 - Sarentino, ITA - 13-14.5.2000

Fullana and Martinez Take Italian Fifth Round

The style in which they won couldn't have been more different, but **Marga Fullana** (*ESP, Subaru-Specialized*) and **Miguel Martinez** (*FRA, Full Dynamix*) have one thing very much in common - they both won Sunday's Round Five of the Tissot-UCI Mountain Bike World Cup Cross-Country series in dominating performances.

The crowd - an estimated 14,000 people - were enthusiastic and the weather perfect in the South Tyrol region of Northern Italy, welcoming the cross-country series to this country back for the first time since 1995, and for the series' 90th cross-country event. Racing for five laps in the women's event and seven in the men's, large fields of competitors attacked Sarentino's technical yet scenic course at full speed in this last XC world cup before June's World Championships.

Miguel Martinez (*FRA, Full Dynamix*) executed a near-perfect tactical race in the men's event, riding with both teammate **Marco Bui** (*ITA, Full Dynamix*) as well as former teammate and countryman **Christophe Dupouey** (*FRA, Team Giant*) to build up a sizeable lead over a hard-charging field. He then attacked both in the final lap of their seven-lap race Sunday afternoon, riding to his season's first win when neither could match his pace.

Martinez, Bui and Dupouey immediately established themselves as the men to beat, taking the lead of 141 starters by the middle of the first lap. The three of them - two Frenchmen and one Italian - worked hard to build a gap of 1:30 by the final lap, leaving two chase groups behind to fight for the remaining podium positions and world cup points.

While the three leaders traded the work load up front by rotating the lead, **Christoph Sauser** (*SUI, Volvo-Cannondale*) maintained his position at the front of the chase group for most of the race, working with **Thomas Frischknecht** (*SUI, Ritchey-Yahoo!*) to break away, then rejoin several other riders each lap. Those riders included **Carsten Bresser**, a *German* who this season has placed 19th, 17th and 13th in previous races before Sarentino.



Miguel Martinez - FRA

Other riders in pursuit included **Lado Fumic** (*GER, German National Team*) and **Rune Hoydahl** (*NOR, Team Giant*) - who worked his way up from 13th to 6th before crashing in the last lap to finish 8th, just ahead of **Kashi Leuchs** (*NZL, Volvo-Cannondale*).

After six laps of trading the lead up front, however, someone had to attack for the race win and the only question remained who ... and where. As it turned out, Martinez was the rider with the most power remaining, after Bui attacked his two work partners in the first climb of the last lap, testing their strength.

As Martinez and teammate Bui realized that Dupouey wouldn't be able to follow their pace into the final lap, they headed out toward their own two-man contest. Bui soon attacked Martinez, but Martinez countered and by the time they exited the trees en route to the long, flatter section of the course, Miguel was in the lead and headed for the finish line.



Martinez finished 34 seconds ahead of Bui, the two embracing afterward in celebration of the team's 1-2 finish. Dupouey finished 2:07 off the lead, but retains the Tissot leader's jersey for another week.

Quoted:

Miguel Martinez, 1st Place:

"Bui attacked in the final lap, after the first climb. We both realized the Dupouey wasn't good enough for the win today and went ahead. I then caught Bui after he attacked, and once I was in the lead I went hard for the finish."

Marco Bui, 2nd Place:

"The most important thing today was for one of us to start an attack. I made teamwork with Miguel, but he was stronger than me. I was going as fast as I could, but it wasn't enough. At the first climb I saw that Dupouey was tired, so I attacked, then Miguel attacked and we were in a two-man race."

Christophe Dupouey, 3rd Place:

"I felt as good today as I did last week, but The Full Dynamix team was just too much today, with those two talented riders. I had to close gaps all day, and my back was hurting a bit. When Bui attacked I wanted to go, but I didn't feel great and Miguel countered. I knew I'd keep the jersey with 3rd place, so that was good."

Ari Cheren



Sauser | Bui | Martinez | Dupouey | Frischknecht

	#	UCI Code	Surname	Firstname	Nat	Team	Time
1	3	FRA19760117	MARTINEZ	Miguel	FRA	FULL DYNAMIX	2:12:21
2	34	ITA19771017	BUI	Marco	ITA	FULL-DYNAMIX	2:12:55
3	1	FRA19680808	DUPOUEY	Christophe	FRA	GIANT	2:14:28
4	14	SUI19760413	SAUSER	Christoph	SUI	VOLVO CANNONDALE	2:15:23
5	9	SUI19700217	FRISCHKNECHT	Thomas	SUI	TEAM RITCHEY-YAHOO!	2:15:26
6	22	GER19700904	BRESSER	Carsten	GER	FOCUS	2:15:55
7	10	GER19760520	FUMIC	Lado	GER	LSP RACING	2:16:19
8	11	NOR19691210	HÖYDAHL	Rune	NOR	GIANT	2:16:20
9	28	NZL19780630	LEUCHS	Kashi *	NZL	VOLVO CANNONDALE	2:16:30
10	8	NED19681010	BRENTJENS	Bart	NED	SUBARU-SPECIALIZED	2:17:06
11	63	AUS19770214	EVANS	Cadel	AUS	VOLVO CANNONDALE	2:17:13
12	2	NED19730825	VAN DOOREN	Bas	NED	BE-ONE TEAM	2:17:13
13	55	ITA19751001	ZOLI	Yader	ITA	DIAMONDBACK	2:17:27
14	4	FRA19731117	DUBAU	Ludovic	FRA	MARIN-SMITH	2:18:01
15	7	ESP19780824	HERMIDA RAMOS	Jose Antonio *	ESP	BIANCHI ALBACOM	2:18:01
16	6	SUI19760713	HOCHSTRASSER	Thomas	SUI	SCOTT USA	2:18:08
17	30	ITA19681106	BRAMATI	Luca	ITA	SCOTT RACING TEAM	2:18:12
18	33	BEL19760427	PAULISSEN	Roel	BEL	TEAM GT	2:18:13
19	23	FRA19750321	VOLLET	Gregory	FRA	BIANCHI ALBACOM	2:18:24
20	66	ITA19700324	FONTANA	Alessandro	ITA	FULL-DYNAMIX	2:19:07
21	43	ITA19681221	BETTIN	Mauro	ITA	FULL-DYNAMIX	2:20:22
22	17	CAN19740729	GREEN	Roland	CAN	TEAM GT	2:20:33
23	36	NED19650626	TOLHOEK	Patrick	NED	BE-ONE TEAM	2:21:17
24	25	FRA19760413	FRECH	Frederic	FRA	ASPTT MULHOUSE	2:21:32
25	27	FRA19800816	ABSALON	Julien *	FRA	SCOTT USA	2:21:52
26	59	ITA19741202	CIONI	Dario	ITA	MAPEI DIAMOND BACK	2:22:02
27	69	FRA19730616	CEARD	Claude	FRA	BIANCHI RACING TEAM	2:22:05
28	13	AUS19680505	WOODS	Rob	AUS	AIS-GT AUSTRALIA	2:22:07
29	71	BEL19800402	COENEN	Davy *	BEL	LITE SPEED	2:23:21
30	40	POL19780503	KOWAL	Mariusz *	POL	POLAND	2:23:46
31	16	BEL19710305	MEIRHAEGHE	Filip	BEL	SUBARU-SPECIALIZED	2:24:13
32	68	AUS19710207	GORDON	Craig	AUS	SOBE HEADSCHOK	2:24:18
33	47	ITA19740429	PIRAZZOLI	Mirko	ITA	G.S. PROMO BIKE	2:24:32
34	82	POL19780706	KARCZYNSKI	Marcin *	POL	POLAND	2:24:32
35	64	GER19740627	HANISCH	Marc	GER	ORBEA	2:25:11
36	41	ITA19650917	PALLHUBER	Hubert	ITA	DIAMONDBACK	2:25:22
37	56	ITA19750428	DE BERTOLIS	Massimo	ITA	DIAMONDBACK	2:25:25
38	49	CAN19740128	TOURVILLE	Eric	CAN	ORYX-PROCYCLE	2:25:28
39	57	CZE19731201	KORINEK	Radim	CZE	CESKA SPORITELNA MTB	2:26:22
40	151	ITA19760415	TAVELLA	Igor	ITA	TEAM USTARIA	2:26:48
41	67	FRA19740808	DIETSCH	Thomas	FRA	BIANCHI RACING TEAM	2:26:53
42	58	GBR19760607	BECKINGSALE	Oliver	GBR	SCOTT	2:27:21
43	70	GBR19690403	CRAIG	Nicholas	GBR	DIAMONDBACK	2:27:28
44	26	AUS19751114	FLEMING	Josh	AUS	GT AUSTRALIA	2:27:32
45	21	AUS19701202	ROWNEY	Paul	AUS	AIS-BROOKS GIANT	2:27:52
46	12	SUI19740621	HELLER	Marcel	SUI	ARROW SWISS BIKE TM	2:28:17
47	53	POL19740801	GALINSKI	Marek	POL	POLAND	2:29:08
48	105	SVK19760625	KONDIS	Lubos	SVK	CESKA SPORITELNA MTB	2:29:38
49	115	AUT19750731	KRALER	Martin	AUT	RALPH DENK RACING TM	2:29:45
50	175	GER19771130	GÖLZ	Marc	GER	LSP RACING	2:29:59
51	173	SUI19770918	FLEURY	Patrik	SUI	GISLER POULET BURG	2:30:25
52	65	ITA19690206	BRUSCHI	Mirko	ITA	DIAMONDBACK	2:30:46
53	86	AUT19780617	PRESSLAUER	Peter *	AUT	CORRATEC WORLD TEAM	- 1 lap
54	75	CZE19780617	DOLEZAL	Tomas *	CZE	CZE	- 1 lap

55	138	DEN19740819	GRONBECH	Michael	DEN		- 1 lap
56	5	ITA19770721	FRUET	Martino	ITA	TEAM RITCHEY-YAHOO!	- 1 lap
57	73	AUS19780411	REDENBACH	Paul *	AUS	RACELINE/FLEXOVIT	- 1 lap
58	80	ITA19720501	PALLHUBER	Johann	ITA	RAINER BIKE	- 1 lap
59	167	FRA19790423	PORTAL	Nicolas *	FRA	LOOK POLE FORME	- 1 lap
60	44	SUI19740807	BINKERT	Markus	SUI	SCOTT-ELVIA	- 1 lap
61	84	CZE19770322	SPESNY	Milan	CZE	RUBENA FORT MTB TEAM	- 1 lap
62	126	ITA19780312	ZANOTTI	Leonardo *	ITA	UNIVERSBIKE	- 1 lap
63	130	AUT19711013	KOCH	Georg	AUT	WWW.RAINERWURZ.COM	- 1 lap
64	97	POL19730514	GIL	Dariusz	POL	POLAND	- 1 lap
65	120	NED19730823	SMEETS	Roger	NED		- 1 lap
66	61	USA19741030	EATOUGH	Chris	USA	TREK/VOLKSWAGEN	- 2 laps
67	117	SUI19720814	CATTIN	Pascal	SUI	STEPPENWOLF SWISSMTB	- 2 laps
68	94	IRL19710406	SEYMOUR	Robin	IRL		- 2 laps
69	118	ITA19800515	STEINER	Manfred *	ITA	BIANCHI ALBACOM	- 2 laps
70	133	SUI19750823	GISLER	Sascha	SUI		- 2 laps
71	90	GER19760824	SAHM	Stefan	GER	ALB GOLD	- 2 laps
72	136	ITA19730413	ALBERATI	Paolo	ITA	TEAM KHS	- 2 laps
73	164	NOR19760627	JOHANSEN	Aslak	NOR	IF FROY/N	- 2 laps
74	78	NED19770522	VAN MIL	Ruud	NED		- 2 laps
75	147	CZE19810426	VOKROUHLIK	Tomas *	CZE	RUBENA FORT MTB TEAM	- 2 laps
76	162	NOR19770103	STORMO	Frederik	NOR	DRAMMEN	- 2 laps
77	103	GER19780314	PLATT	Karl *	GER	ROCKY MOUNTAIN	- 2 laps
78	140	AUT19770108	SCHEIDERBAUER	Jörg	AUT	WWW.RAINERWURZ.COM	- 2 laps
79	87	AUT19670920	ZORN	Siegfried	AUT	WWW.RAINERWURZ.COM	- 2 laps
80	92	NAM19710714	HEYMANS	Mannie	NAM	FOCUS	- 2 laps
81	160	ITA19810720	PAOLI	Marco *	ITA	L'ARCOBALENO RITCHEY	- 2 laps
82	177	AUT19760923	BAUER	Siegfried	AUT	FUNSPORT RED HOT CHI	- 2 laps
83	119	SUI19800510	NÄF	Ralph *	SUI		- 2 laps
84	158	AUT19660403	GRAH	Branko	AUT	TREK MOUNTAINBIKER	- 2 laps
85	121	CHN19780404	LI	Fuyu *	CHN	CHINESE NATL TEAM	- 2 laps
86	91	NED19760514	PETERS	Bas	NED	GIANT	- 3 laps
87	125	AUT19761214	RAMETSTEINER	Roman	AUT	ARBÖ RC LINZ MCDONAL	- 3 laps
88	174	GER19780803	SCHMIEG	Benjamin *	GER	ALB GOLD	- 3 laps
89	137	GER19800128	RUGEL	Joachim *	GER	CORRATEC WORLD TEAM	- 3 laps
90	131	DEN19790918	POULSEN	Christian *	DEN		- 3 laps
91	148	ITA19801030	KIRCHLER	Matthias *	ITA	RAINER BIKE	- 3 laps
92	154	SUI19810120	WEBER	Balz *	SUI	ARROW SWISS BIKE TM	- 3 laps
93	169	GER19800604	SCHMUDE	Friedeman *	GER	LFC STROMBERG	- 3 laps
94	89	NED19771029	HESELING	Marcel	NED		- 3 laps
95	157	DEN19810331	NIELSEN	Tommy *	DEN		- 3 laps
96	149	DEN19800108	NIELSEN	Klaus *	DEN		- 3 laps
97	95	SUI19780613	BUNDI	Silvio *	SUI	BIKERS VISION WHEEL	- 3 laps
98	143	USA19710927	HELGESON	Ken	USA	US AIR FORCE	- 3 laps
99	144	POR19800925	FERREIRA	Valerio *	POR	BICIGAL CANNONDALE	- 3 laps
100	168	AUS19700112	WILLMORE	Damon	AUS	GEOGRAPHE VIGNONS	- 3 laps
101	159	SUI19790703	SPICHTIG	Thomas *	SUI		- 3 laps
102	114	AUT19731010	KNAUBERT	Matthias	AUT	RADSPORTVEREIN SCHUL	- 3 laps

103	122	BEL19770910	VAN DEN DRIESSCH	Jurgen	BEL		- 3 laps
104	153	SUI19770610	ABÄCHERLI	Roland	SUI		- 4 laps
105	150	POR19791211	SIMAO	Nelio *	POR	BICIGAL CANNONDALE	- 4 laps
106	108	DEN19800725	ANDERSEN	Peter Riis *	DEN		- 4 laps
107	116	NED19771105	TJALLINGLI	Maarten	NED		- 4 laps
108	146	POR19710407	PEREIRA	Paulo	POR	C.A. LEIRIA	- 4 laps
109	109	SWE19750603	TAVELL	Philip	SWE		- 4 laps
	15	ESP19670723	LEZAUN	Roberto	ESP	ORBEA	DNF
	18	FRA19661119	ARNOULD	Dominique	FRA	GIANT	DNF
	19	SUI19670523	WABEL	Beat	SUI	K2	DNF
	20	NOR19720422	LARSEN	Tom	NOR	GIANT	DNF
	24	DEN19660422	DJERNIS	Henrik	DEN	TEAM RITCHEY-YAHOO!	DNF
	29	FRA19720910	HERISSET	Christophe	FRA	ORBEA	DNF
	32	USA19610304	JUAREZ	Tinker	USA	VOLVO CANNONDALE	DNF
	35	GER19791123	MENDE	Matthias *	GER	MONTY ALTENBERG CV	DNF
	38	SLO19720916	STRANCAR	Primož	SLO	STOP TEAM-LEE COUGAN	DNF
	46	DEN19750218	AGERGAARD	Jesper	DEN	BE-ONE TEAM	DNF
	51	ITA19720501	STAUDER	Roland	ITA	CORRATEC WORLD TEAM	DNF
	52	ITA19750310	ACQUAROLI	Dario	ITA	BIANCHI ALBACOM	DNF
	54	GBR19730411	LASENBY	Paul	GBR	MARIN	DNF
	60	CZE19680606	STICHA	Pavel	CZE	AUTHOR EXPANDIA PRAH	DNF
	62	SUI19721112	STOECKLI	Lukas	SUI	ARROW SWISS BIKE TM	DNF
	74	DEN19770522	BONNE	Thomas	DEN	DEN BIA KURER	DNF
	77	SLO19771207	GOLCER	Jure	SLO	TEAM GT	DNF
	79	USA19700420	SWENSON	Carl	USA	RLX POLO SPORT	DNF
	93	GBR19800216	DIXON	Philip *	GBR	GREAT BRITAIN	DNF
	104	AUT19801011	SOUKUP	Christoph *	AUT	URSV HI TEC KTM TEAM	DNF
	106	AUT19770630	KIRCHER	Robert	AUT	CORRATEC WORLD TEAM	DNF
	124	CZE19710113	CIRKL	Petr	CZE	SPORT HRINKOV STEYR	DNF
	127	SUI19750414	WEBER	Christian	SUI		DNF
	128	AUT19710222	FRAUENSCHUH	Thomas	AUT	CORRATEC WORLD TEAM	DNF
	132	AUT19770520	METZLER	Hannes	AUT	OAMTC RV SIMPLON HAR	DNF
	135	SUI19711206	CHANTON	Florian	SUI	FISCHER K2	DNF
	142	ITA19730722	MAIR	Berthold	ITA	RAINER BIKE	DNF
	145	AUT19811017	WEISS	Michael *	AUT	BANK AUSTRIA NATL TM	DNF
	152	SUI19790803	KESSLER	Philip *	SUI	ARROW SWISS BIKE TM	DNF
	161	ITA19751001	BACCHINI	Cristiano	ITA	G.S. PROMO BIKE	DNF
	163	NOR19800401	STORMO	Lars Peter *	NOR	DRAMMEN	DNF
	165	NOR19760724	STÖVERN	Martin	NOR	G-SPORT MTB TEAM	DNF
	170	GER19680208	SCHWEDLER	Jens	GER	HARVESTCHUDER RSV	DNF