

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

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First-time world cup winner *Barbara Blatter (SUI, Scott USA)* joined veteran racer *Christophe Dupouey (FRA, Team Giant)* at the top of the finisher's podium today when the two pro racers won the women's and men's event in St. Wendel, Germany. Ideal racing conditions brought out an estimated 25,000 spectators to this long-running event, as the cross-country tour hit the half-way point of its season.

With four different winners in as many rounds of racing, the 2000 Tissot-UCI Mountain Bike World Cup cross-country series is again shaping up as an epic series, with plenty to motivate the teams and riders in this Olympic year.

Christophe Dupouey is a World Champion, multi-time world cup winner and one of the most consistent racers on the circuit. So it's no surprise that this experienced rider finally put together the race necessary to win a round of the 2000 world cup series, for his new Giant team.

Dupouey worked effectively within the competition as he rode in a four-man breakaway group early in Sunday afternoon's seven-lap event. Going wheel-to-wheel with three of the sport's top racers, Dupouey knew he had his work cut out for him against former teammate *Miguel Martinez (FRA, Full Dynamix)*, Dutch star *Bas Van Dooren (NED, Be-One)* and last week's winner *Filip Meirhaeghe (BEL, Subaru-Specialized)*.

Twenty seconds behind this four-man group was a long line of 180 competitors, all vying for the front and working in small groups to maximize their speed on St Wendel's fast course. *Beat Wabel (SUI)* and *Thomas Hochstrasser (SUI, Scott USA)* were among those chasers, riding together for nearly the entire race.

This order remained mostly the same until the beginning of the fifth lap, when Martinez moved 35 seconds clear of his group, which was soon joined by Hochstrasser and subsequently left by Meirhaeghe, the Belgian experiencing a race-ending mechanical in lap six.



Christophe Dupouey - FRA

By the end of the 6th lap Dupouey had shattered the group and caught Martinez headed into the sixth lap, both he and Bas Van Dooren in front of Martinez within that lap. Dupouey was now riding 25 seconds clear of Van Dooren going into the final bell lap, Martinez chasing in a group with Wabel and Hochstrasser.

This order remained the same for the remainder of the final lap, as Dupouey rode across the finish line 22 seconds ahead of Van Dooren, and 33 seconds ahead of Martinez for another close St Wendel finish. Wabel and Hochstrasser rounded out the podium for 4th and 5th, approximately one minute back. With his win, Dupouey takes the lead in the overall series.

Quoted:

1st Place, **Christophe Dupouey:**

"Miguel attacked in the fifth lap, and I was waiting for Meirhaeghe - but he never came. So I took some risk and caught Miguel, and we actually did ride together a bit. But he didn't have enough power, and I felt solid - so I went for the win. I saw that Bas couldn't come back at the end of the race, so it gave me more confidence for the win."

2nd Place, **Bas Van Dooren:**

"I don't particularly like this tactical racing, I think it suits Dupouey more than me - he's steady on the wheel in close racing. I stayed in 2nd and tried to close the gap on the road climb, but it didn't work out for me and I knew that 2nd was the best I could do. But a podium place in the world cup is always nice, and a hard thing to do."

3rd Place, **Miguel Martinez:**

"I'm very happy with today's finish - it was good for me. This finish reminds me of racing with Christophe three years ago with Sunn - we're still in the front. I was fastest in the woods, and was able to make up time in the descents. I never attacked, I just rode at my pace."

Ari Cheren



Miguel Martinez - FRA



Hochstrasser | van Dooren | Dupouey | Martinez | Wabel

Rank	Bib	UCI Code	Surname	Firstname	Team	Time
1	2	FRA19680808	DUPOUEY	Christophe	GIANT	2:14:57
2	3	NED19730825	VAN DOOREN	Bas	BE-ONE TEAM	2:15:19
3	4	FRA19760117	MARTINEZ	Miguel	FULL DYNAMIX	2:15:30
4	49	SUI19670523	WABEL	Beat		2:16:04
5	14	SUI19760713	HOCHSTRASSER	Thomas	SCOTT USA	2:16:07
6	13	SUI19700217	FRISCHKNECHT	Thomas	TEAM RITCHEY-YAHOO!	2:17:02
7	51	BEL19760427	PAULISSEN	Roel	TEAM GT	2:17:37
8	17	SUI19760413	SAUSER	Christoph	VOLVO/CANNONDALE	2:17:49
9	8	FRA19731117	DUBAU	Ludovic	MARIN-SMITH	2:17:52
10	53	NED19650626	TOLHOEK	Patrick	BE-ONE TEAM	2:17:58
11	42	FRA19720910	HERISSET	Christophe	ORBEA	2:18:14
12	7	ESP19780824	HERMIDA RAMOS	Jose Antonio *	BIANCHI ALBACOM	2:18:17
13	28	GER19700904	BRESSER	Carsten	ROCKY MOUNTAIN	2:18:55
14	19	NOR19720422	LARSEN	Tom	GIANT	2:18:59
15	50	ITA19771017	BUI	Marco	FULL-DYNAMIX	2:19:29
16	18	FRA19661119	ARNOULD	Dominique	GIANT	2:19:59
17	15	ESP19670723	LEZAUN	Roberto	ORBEA	2:20:09
18	31	FRA19800816	ABSALON	Julien *	SCOTT USA	2:20:21
19	52	AUS19770214	EVANS	Cadel	VOLVO/CANNONDALE	2:20:38
20	20	AUS19701202	ROWNEY	Paul	AIS-BROOKS GIANT	2:20:44
21	109	GER19740627	HANISCH	Marc		2:20:44
22	10	NOR19691210	HÖYDAHL	Rune	GIANT	2:20:53
23	86	POL19780503	KOWAL	Mariusz *	POLAND	2:21:00
24	90	FRA19730616	CEARD	Claude	BIANCHI RACING TEAM	2:21:28
25	59	AUS19710207	GORDON	Craig	SOBE/HEAD SHOK	2:21:31
26	70	ITA19681221	BETTIN	Mauro	FULL-DYNAMIX	2:21:46
27	27	DEN19660422	DJERNIS	Henrik	TEAM RITCHEY-YAHOO!	2:21:46
28	30	ITA19681106	BRAMATI	Luca	SCOTT RACING TEAM	2:21:57
29	45	GER19791123	MENDE	Matthias *	STEVENS-JEANTEX	2:21:59
30	6	NED19681010	BRENTJENS	Bart	SUBARU-SPECIALIZED	2:22:12
31	16	CAN19740729	GREEN	Roland	TEAM GT	2:22:16
32	56	CAN19760503	MCGRATH	Seamus	HARO/LEE DUNGAREE	2:22:17
33	81	FRA19740808	DIETSCH	Thomas	BIANCHI RACING TEAM	2:22:36
34	12	AUS19680505	WOODS	Rob	AIS-GT AUSTRALIA	2:22:52
35	25	FRA19760413	FRECH	Frederic	SCOTT LA CLUSAZ	2:23:44
36	58	POL19740801	GALINSKI	Marek	POLAND	2:23:54
37	119	CZE19780617	DOLEZAL	Tomas *	CZE	2:24:06
38	23	FRA19750321	VOLLET	Gregory	BIANCHI ALBACOM	2:24:40
39	82	CZE19731201	KORINEK	Radim	CESKA SPORITELNA MTB	2:24:50
40	60	ITA19750310	ACQUAROLI	Dario	BIANCHI ALBACOM	2:25:02
41	26	NZL19780630	LEUCHS	Kashi *	VOLVO/CANNONDALE	2:25:50
42	9	SUI19740621	HELLER	Marcel	ARROW SWISS BIKE TM	2:25:53
43	106	CZE19680606	STICHA	Pavel	AUTHOR EXPANDIA PRAH	2:25:54
44	55	SUI19740807	BINKERT	Markus	SCOTT-ELVIA	2:25:55
45	75	SLO19771207	GOLCER	Jure	TEAM GT	2:26:01
46	126	NED19791010	BAKKER	Erwin *		2:26:02
47	114	ESP19690404	DE PORTUGAL	Guillermo	CORONAS TEAM	2:26:02
48	40	SLO19720916	STRANCAR	Primoz	STOP TEAM-LEE COUGAN	2:26:39
49	22	AUS19751114	FLEMING	Josh	GT AUSTRALIA	2:26:43
50	246	ITA19720501	PALLHUBER	Johann	RAINER BIKE	2:26:52
51	87	DEN19610220	OSTERGAARD	Jan	DIFFUOLONGE	2:27:08
52	112	GER19680208	SCHWEDLER	Jens	STEVENS-JEANTEX	2:27:13
53	41	ITA19650917	PALLHUBER	Hubert	DIAMONDBACK	2:27:30

54	177	GER19740904	MÜLLER	Christoph	SCHWALBE-RACING TEAM	2:27:32
55	209	FRA19781206	LEBRETON	Pierre *	BIANCHI RACING TEAM	2:27:45
56	74	GBR19760607	BECKINGSALE	Oliver	SCOTT	2:28:07
57	66	USA19700420	SWENSON	Carl	RLX POLO SPORT	2:28:21
58	64	ITA19751001	ZOLI	Yader	DIAMONDBACK	2:28:34
59	46	ITA19740429	PIRAZZOLI	Mirko	G.S. PROMOBike	2:28:44
60	79	ITA19750428	DE BERTOLIS	Massimo	DIAMONDBACK	2:28:58
61	100	CZE19770913	JEZEK	Vaclav	AUTHOR EXPANDIA PRAH	2:29:22
62	128	FRA19790514	VACHETTE	Yohann *	GIANT	2:29:28
63	131	SUI19770918	FLEURY	Patrik		2:29:39
64	173	SWE19710426	PALMBERG	Magnus		2:29:46
65	182	SWE19800405	MODIN	Fredrik *		2:29:47
66	102	AUS19780411	REDENBACH	Paul *	RACELINE/FLEXOVIT	2:30:03
67	135	GER19780511	DILGER	Andreas *	BSE	2:30:33
68	134	GER19780221	ESCHENBACH	Florian *	LSP RACING TEAM	2:31:11
69	116	NED19760514	PETERS	Bas	GIANT	2:31:40
70	32	CAN19700512	HESTLER	Andreas	TEAM FORD-DEVINCI	2:33:16
71	187	GER19780803	SCHMIEG	Benjamin *		2:34:03
72	146	CZE19770524	HEJDUK	Stanislav	AUTHOR EXPANDIA PRAH	- 1 lap
73	207	AUT19760923	BAUER	Siegfried	FUNSPORT RED HOT CHI	- 1 lap
74	125	GER19780824	NICKE	Thomas *	STEVENS-JEANTEX	- 1 lap
75	159	POL19730514	GIL	Dariusz	POLAND	- 1 lap
76	142	SUI19720814	CATTIN	Pascal	STEPPENWOLF	- 1 lap
77	96	NED19770522	VAN MIL	Ruud		- 1 lap
78	36	CAN19740128	TOURVILLE	Eric	ORYX-PROCYCLE	- 1 lap
79	104	SUI19780613	BUNDI	Silvio *	BIKERS VISION WHEEL	- 1 lap
80	185	GER19810505	KAESS	Jochen *		- 1 lap
81	164	GER19780314	PLATT	Karl *	MAPEI-KONA	- 1 lap
82	198	CZE19800324	TRUNSCHKA	Tomas *	CZE	- 1 lap
83	233	GER19801030	BROCKS	Matthias *		- 1 lap
84	94	AUT19780617	PRESSLAUER	Peter *	CORRATEC WORLD TEAM	- 1 lap
85	153	BEL19761101	HANKART	David		- 1 lap
86	204	ITA19730722	MAIR	Berthold	RAINER BIKE	- 1 lap
87	43	GER19750812	JURETZEK	Hans-jurgen	SCHWALBE RACING TEAM	- 1 lap
88	183	GER19800604	SCHMUDE	Friedeman *		- 1 lap
89	124	BRA19690923	AZEVEDO	Abraao	SELECAO BRASILEIRA	- 1 lap
90	83	AUT19670920	ZORN	Siegfried	WWW.RAINERWURZ.COM	- 1 lap
91	37	CAN19720918	WEDGE	Peter	KONA FACTORY TEAM	- 1 lap
92	170	SUI19800312	MANETSCH	Reto *		- 1 lap
93	229	FRA19790423	PORTAL	Nicolas *	LOOK POLE FORME	- 1 lap
94	169	MEX19770729	BARRIGA	Salvador	TURBO	- 1 lap
95	101	POL19680706	KARCZYNSKI	Marcin	POLAND	- 1 lap
96	136	NED19771029	HESELING	Marcel		- 2 laps
97	71	GER19720903	WEICHERT	Marc	SCHWALBE-RACING TEAM	- 2 laps
98	181	SUI19790806	KUGLER	Andreas *		- 2 laps
99	180	SUI19750823	GISLER	Sascha		- 2 laps
100	179	NZL19741226	SHAPLEY	Bryce	NZMBA	- 2 laps

101	222	GER19771130	GÖLZ	Marc	LSP RACING TEAM	- 2 laps
102	200	AUT19770108	SCHEIDERBAUER	Jörg	WWW.RAINERWURD.COM	- 2 laps
103	226	SUI19790803	KESSLER	Philip *	ARROW SWISS BIKE TM	- 2 laps
104	148	GER19760824	SAHM	Stefan		- 2 laps
105	92	GBR19790414	WILKINSON	Ian *	GREAT BRITAIN	- 2 laps
106	156	FRA19811021	FILIPPI	Nicolas *	BIANCHI ALBACOM	- 2 laps
107	218	DEN19740819	GRONBECH	Michael		- 2 laps
108	141	NAM19710714	HEYMANS	Mannie	FOCUS	- 2 laps
109	161	SWE19790515	WESTERGREN	Jens *		- 2 laps
110	249	SUI19770707	FAHRNI	Ludovic	CAROLILLO BIANCHI	- 3 laps
111	99	NED19710705	DE VRIES	Micha		- 3 laps
112	196	GBR19800216	DIXON	Philip *	GREAT BRITAIN	- 3 laps
113	133	BRA19720227	RAVELLI	Marcio	SELECAO BRASILEIRA	- 3 laps
114	202	NOR19760627	JOHANSEN	Aslak	IF FROY/N	- 3 laps
115	262	AUT19731010	KNAUBERT	Matthias	RADSPORTVEREIN SCHUL	- 3 laps
116	208	NOR19800719	BOHLER	Joachim *	FOLLO SK (N)	- 3 laps
117	145	RSA19690523	BAKER	Aldon	TIME FREIGHT	- 4 laps
	1	ITA19770721	FRUET	Martino	TEAM RITCHEY-YAHOO!	DNF
	5	GER19760520	FUMIC	Lado	LSP RACING TEAM	DNF
	11	BEL19710305	MEIRHAEGHE	Filip	SUBARU-SPECIALIZED	DNF
	21	USA19610304	JUAREZ	Tinker	VOLVO/CANNONDALE	DNF
	24	CAN19801209	HESJEDAL	Ryder *	GARY FISHER/SAAB	DNF
	33	DEN19740601	RASMUSSEN	Michael	HARO/LEE DUNGAREE	DNF
	34	DEN19750218	AGERGAARD	Jesper	BE-ONE TEAM	DNF
	39	ITA19720501	STAUDER	Roland	CORRATEC WORLD TEAM	DNF
	48	GBR19730411	LASENBY	Paul	MARIN	DNF
	61	MEX19770523	MADRIGAL	Ziranda	TURBO	DNF
	62	USA19700313	LARSEN	Steve	LL BEAN/MONGOOSE	DNF
	63	ITA19741202	CIONI	Dario	MAPEI DIAMOND BACK	DNF
	67	NOR19780305	AUSTAD	Hakon *	DBS WC-TEAM	DNF
	69	CAN19760803	TOULOUSE	Mathieu	TEAM FORD-DEVINCI	DNF
	72	GBR19690403	CRAIG	Nicholas	DIAMONDBACK	DNF
	76	SLO19790526	DRASLER	Rok *	FULL DYNAMIX	DNF
	77	ITA19690206	BRUSCHI	Mirko	DIAMONDBACK	DNF
	95	BEL19800402	COENEN	Davy *		DNF
	98	SVK19760625	KONDIS	Lubos	CESKA SPORTILENA	DNF
	103	NOR19770103	STORMO	Frederik	DRAMMEN CK (N)	DNF
	107	FRA19710813	PERRY	Gael	ORBEA	DNF
	108	AUT19801011	SOUKUP	Christoph *	URSV HI TEC KTM TEAM	DNF
	113	AUS19731230	STOCKWELL	Luke	ROCKY MOUNTAIN BICYC	DNF
	117	AUT19770630	KIRCHER	Robert	CORRATEC WORLD TEAM	DNF
	118	FRA19770629	POULY	Peter	EGOBIKE CAMELBACK	DNF
	123	USA19741030	EATOUGH	Chris	TREK/VOLKSWAGEN	DNF
	127	NED19800616	AL	Thys *		DNF
	130	CZE19770322	SPEŠNY	Milan	RUBENA FORT MTB TEAM	DNF
	137	ESP19781023	GISPER LABARTA	Marti *	FINA MONTY	DNF
	139	ESP19700929	GARCIA HERNANDEZ	Luis	ROTOR EDR	DNF

	144	SUI19800510	NÄF	Ralph *		DNF
	152	SWE19780918	ERICSSON	Frederick *		DNF
	155	NED19730823	SMEETS	Roger		DNF
	157	ESP19750509	ORTIZ BARRANCO	Antonio	CORONAS TEAM	DNF
	158	ESP19810928	COLOMA	Carlos *	ORBEA	DNF
	165	SUI19750414	WEBER	Christian		DNF
	172	AUT19711013	KOCH	Georg	WWW.RAINERWURZ.COM	DNF
	175	ESP19811219	ALVAREZ GUTIERRE	Ivan *	CORONAS BH	DNF
	186	CZE19770517	HRACH	Michal	CESKA SPORTILENA	DNF
	212	AUT19811017	WEISS	Michael *	BANK AUSTRIA NATL TM	DNF
	252	AUT19750731	KRALER	Martin	RALPH DERK RT	DNF
	260	BEL19790218	TREVISAN	Patrick *	ORBEA	DNF
	261	BEL19750321	GALLE	David	ORBEA	DNF
	115	SWE19770427	JUNGAKER	Erik		DNS