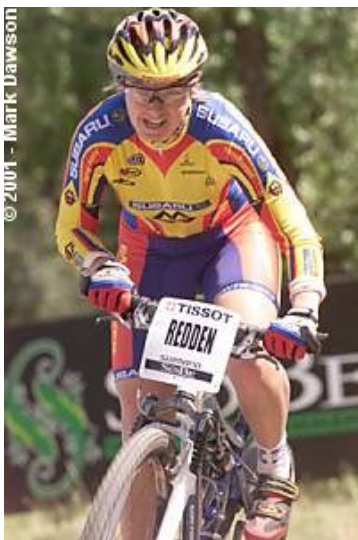


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Marco Bui and Chrissy Redden Win Time Trial Debut

The 2001 season of the **Tissot-UCI Mountain Bike World Cup** officially began on *Saturday, April 7, 2001* with the debut of a time trial prelude event at the first cross-country event in *Napa, California - USA*. The time trial event marks an interesting new aspect to the cross-country racing circuit, as top riders took a lap around the scenic racecourse in pursuit of a **yellow Tissot leader's jersey** - as well as favorable starting position for Sunday's main cross-country event. Both men and women will now race on Sundays at these cross-country only events.



Chrissy Redden - CAN

Riders made solo runs at 30-second intervals on a nearly full lap of the course - one short loop having been eliminated from the circuit for Saturday's event. Weather was cool yet partly sunny at 1:30 p.m. when the first women began, a field of 43 riders racing hard for the fastest time. The men's field was larger, at 121 riders. Also new for this season are the number plates of the top-ten male and female racers, each of whom have their names printed on the Tissot number plates - rather than just their bib number.

Canadian Chrissy Redden (CAN, Subaru-Gary Fisher) posted the fastest time for the women, finishing the four-mile course in sixteen minutes and 39 seconds. She was followed by **Alison Dunlap (USA, Team GT)**, who was just .33 of a second slower. Current world cup champion **Barbara Blatter (SUI, Specialized)** finished third-fastest at 12 seconds back, choosing to save some energy for Sunday's XC event.

The men's event featured a winning time of thirteen minutes, 39 seconds from 1999 U-23 World Champion **Marco Bui (ITA, A.S. Marin Helly Hansen)**, who topped second place **Ryder Hesjedal (CAN, Subaru - Gary Fisher)** by 10.55 seconds and third place **Roland Green (CAN, Trek-Volkswagen)** by 14.84 seconds.

The top finishers of Saturday's TT event receive not only a leader's jersey, but front-row starting positions in Sunday's cross-country events as well. Before this season, the starting grid was determined by world cup standings - rewarding top overall performers with an advantage. Now riders must earn this position through the TT event, giving lower-ranked riders an opportunity to start on the front row - if they can ride well in the TT.

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1	23	ITA19771017	BUI	Marco	A.S. MARIN HELLY HANSEN	13:39.148
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