



IFSC WORLD CUP EDINBURGH 2017

MEMORABLE CLIMBING IN SCOTLAND

Lead climbing season leaders Janja Garnbret and Romain Desgranges returned to the top of the podium, Speed star Anouck Jaubert extended her winning streak, Ludovico Fossali won his first IFSC Speed World Cup and the best paraclimbing athletes in the world inspired in Edinburgh, Scotland, this weekend.

The massive Edinburgh International Climbing Arena was sold out on Saturday and Sunday, welcoming hundreds of fans to the second Paraclimbing Cup and fifth IFSC World Cup in Lead and Speed of 2017.

Fossali wins first IFSC World Cup in exciting fashion, Jaubert gains ground in rankings

The first podiums were decided on Sunday in Speed. Ludovico Fossali of Italy knocked Russian Vladislav Deulin out of contention in the quarterfinal, matching the season leader step for step until Deulin slipped high up on the wall. Fossali then tied Aleksandr Shikov in the semi-final, forcing a rerun. He saved five hundredths of a second in the second race to advance to the big final against Stanislav Kokorin, competing in his 55th IFSC World Cup. A false start from Kokorin handed Fossali his first victory. Fossali's compatriot Leonardo Gontero bested Shikov in the small final in another close match to complete the podium.

In the women's final, Mariia Krasavina kept her teammate and season leader Iuliia Kaplina of Russia out of the gold medal race. Anouck Jaubert posted her fourth time of the weekend under eight seconds in the big final against Krasavina, extending her winning streak to three and coming within 9 points of Kaplina in the season rankings. Kaplina rounded out the podium by beating Anna Brozek of Poland in the small final with a fast time of 7.68 seconds.

Winning streaks extended in Paraclimbing

Finals of the Paraclimbing Cup followed, continuing the memorable climbing in Edinburgh. France's

Mathieu Besnard, winner of the first Paraclimbing Cup this season in Briançon, and world champions Elodie Orbaen of Belgium and Maureen Beck of the United States continued their winning ways in the RP categories (limited range, power or stability). Mor Michael Sapir and world champion Nive Porat also competed in the RP categories and earned two hard-fought gold medals for Israel.

In the visual impairment categories, both Tanja Glusic of Slovenia and Italian Matteo Stefani impressed the audience in Edinburgh. Respectfully quiet while the sight guides on the ground communicated with the athletes, the crowd erupted with applause when Glusic and Stefani marched past the previous high points. Briançon winner Kevin Bartke of Germany was the only forearm amputee to top every route, and Julien Gasc of France bested a strong field in the leg amputee category.

For the full Paraclimbing results, please click [here](#).

Desgranges and Garnbret return to the top

An exciting Lead final concluded the action in Edinburgh. Stefano Ghisolfi, Jakob Schubert and Domen Skofic all fell at the same place on the towering Lead wall, putting forth good fights that energized the spectators. The man none of them could catch was season leader Romain Desgranges. After missing finals at IFSC World Cup Arco, Desgranges rebounded by setting an unmatched high point in Edinburgh, falling just one move shy of the upper panel for his third victory of the season.



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The women's route was instantly challenging, with mostly volumes at the base of the climb and a complicated crux sequence before the headwall. Jessica Pilz was first out and set a formidable high point, falling at the penultimate hold. Ashima Shiraishi fell one move below Pilz and missed the podium when Jain Kim of Korea added-on positive movement at the same spot. As so often this season, Janja Garnbret concluded the event with a thrilling performance. The Slovenia star executed the extended moves, heel-hooks and toe-hooks at the crux section to match Pilz's mark and take home the gold medal on countback to semi-finals. It was her fourth victory of the Lead season. Great Britain's own Hannah Slaney competed in her first IFSC World Cup

final in front of the home crowd, and the 17-year-old athlete finished in 7th place.

For the full Lead and Speed results, please click [here](#).

Next: second stage of the China Tour

The IFSC World Cup season continues in Lead and Speed with the second stage of the China Tour in Wujiang and Xiamen. Tune-in for the live streaming on October 8 and October 15 on the IFSC homepage:

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The schedules, highlights and more information can be found on the [Wujiang](#) and [Xiamen](#) event pages.

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RESULTS OF IFSC WORLD CUP EDINBURGH 2017

Men Lead

#	NAME		NAT.	SCORE
1	DESGRANGES	Romain	FRA	47-
2	GHISOLFI	Stefano	ITA	42-
3	SCHUBERT	Jakob	AUT	42-
4	SKOFIC	Domen	SLO	42-
5	JOANNES	Thomas	FRA	42
6	BAILEY	Sean	USA	39+
7	RUDIGIER	Max	AUT	38
8	JULIAN PUIGBLANQUE	Ramón	ESP	24+

Women Lead

#	NAME		NAT.	SCORE
1	GARNBRET	Janja	SLO	42
2	PILZ	Jessica	AUT	42
3	KIM	Jain	KOR	41-
4	SHIRAISHI	Ashima	USA	41
5	CHANOURDIE	Julia	FRA	40-
6	VERHOEVEN	Anak	BEL	40
7	SLANEY	Hannah	GBR	36-
8	HAFSAAS	Tina Johnsen	NOR	13-

Men Speed

#	NAME		NAT.	SCORE
1	FOSSALI	Ludovico	ITA	19.17
2	KOKORIN	Stanislav	RUS	false start
3	GONTERO	Leonardo	ITA	6.25
4	SHIKOV	Aleksandr	RUS	6.28
5	MORO	Guillaume	FRA	6.19
6	SANTONI	Alessandro	ITA	6.45
7	HALASA	Rafal	POL	6.51
8	DEULIN	Vladislav	RUS	fall

Women Speed

#	NAME		NAT.	SCORE
1	JAUBERT	Anouck	FRA	7.93
2	KRASAVINA	Mariia	RUS	10.35
3	KAPLINA	Iuliia	RUS	7.68
4	BROZEK	Anna	POL	8.12
5	ANDRIER	Victoire	FRA	8.54
6	DALLA BRIDA	Elisabetta	ITA	8.68
7	MARENYCH	Alla	UKR	9.12
8	SARISSON	Aurelia	FRA	fall