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IFSC CLIMBING WORLD CUP MEIRINGEN 2018

KRUDER WINS FIRST, NONAKA BACK ON TOP IN 2018 BOULDERING DEBUT

Japan claimed three medals and Slovenia placed two athletes on the podium at the first IFSC Bouldering World Cup of the 2018 season in Meiringen, won by Miho Nonaka (JPN) and Jernej Kruder (SLO).

Dynamic moves and creative problems created an exciting final round in Meiringen, hosting its 3rd IFSC World Cup event. The Bouldering stars and rising stars did not disappoint, giving the crowd in Switzerland and viewers everywhere thrilling moments until the end.

Kruder Wins First

After standing on his first IFSC World Cup podium last year in Nanjing, Jernej Kruder rose to the top this weekend. First to climb in the men's final, three times Kruder energised the audience by leaping for holds: the jump to the finish after controlling a challenging ladder of holds on the first problem; the quadruple dyno starting the second problem; and an unexpected drop to score the zone point on the third problem. 2017 Combined season champion Tomoa Narasaki (JPN) and Aleksei Rubtsov (RUS) topped two problems and scored four zone points to place 2nd and 3rd by attempts, and Jakob Schubert (AUT) closed out the round with the only top of a powerful fourth problem on his first attempt. Tomoaki Takata (JPN) climbed in his first IFSC World Cup final today and finished in 5th place.

Nonaka Back on Top

4 female finalists began their podium quest in Meiringen with a flash of the first problem, solving advanced footwork and a sleek switch from heel to toe to continue upward after scoring the zone point. 2017 Combined season champion Janja Garnbret (SLO), Akiyo Noguchi (JPN) and Miho Nonaka followed with flashes of a dynamic second problem, but only Nonaka

continued the perfection on the subsequent slab, completing a gruelling shoulder move on her first attempt. She carried the momentum into the fourth problem, solving a double-dyno into a palm press on the way to her fourth top and first gold medal since 2016. Garnbret made her 23rd podium in 27 events by finishing with a flash, and Noguchi rounded out the podium with four tops as well, requiring more attempts to do so. For the full results, visit the official [event page](#).

YOG Watch: Lettner First to Finals

10 athletes competing at the Youth Olympic Games Buenos Aires 2018 competed in Meiringen this weekend. Sandra Lettner of Austria became the first qualified athlete to reach finals at an IFSC World Cup event in 2018, the first of her career. She climbed well all day, sticking the double-dyno rollover on the last problem in finals for 4th place. Mao Nakamura of Japan and Giorgia Tesio of Italy also performed well, qualifying for semi-finals on Friday.

Next: Home of Speed Climbing

After celebrating [70 years](#) of Sport Climbing events last year, Moscow welcomes the best Bouldering and Speed athletes next weekend to the first IFSC World Cup since 2010 in Russia, where the first Speed climbing competitions were organised. The schedule, starters, videos, photos and more can be found on the official [event page](#), and tune-in to the [IFSC homepage](#) on April 22 for live streaming of the semi-final and final rounds.

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RESULTS OF IFSC WORLD CUP MEIRINGEN 2018

Men Bouldering

#	NAME		NAT.	SCORE
1	KRUDER	Jernej	SLO	3t 4z 7 8
2	NARASAKI	Tomoa	JPN	2t 4z 3 7
3	RUBTSOV	Aleksei	RUS	2t 4z 5 13
4	SCHUBERT	Jakob	AUT	2t 3z 6 9
5	TAKATA	Tomoaki	JPN	1t 3z 3 5
6	CHON	Jongwon	KOR	1t 2z 1 2
7	CORNU	Manuel	FRA	0t 3z 0 9

Women Bouldering

#	NAME		NAT.	SCORE
1	NONAKA	Miho	JPN	4t 4z 5 5
2	GARNBRET	Janja	SLO	4t 4z 7 5
3	NOGUCHI	Akiyo	JPN	4t 4z 9 9
4	LETTNER	Sandra	AUT	3t 4z 5 5
5	GIBERT	Fanny	FRA	3t 3z 4 3
6	COXSEY	Shauna	GBR	2t 4z 5 11

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