IFSC CLIMBING WORLD CUP INNSBRUCK 2014: FISCHUBER WINS GOLD ON HOME TURF, COXSEY SNAGS 2ND GOLD

This Friday and Saturday, May 16-17, took the IFSC World Cup series to Innsbruck, Austria. With a phenomenal atmosphere and thousands of fans gathered at the Marktplatz in the city center, the competition was both festive and full of fearsome competition. Austrian Kilian Fischhuber took gold on his home turf, and Great Britain’s Shauna Coxsey took her second gold after last week’s in Grindelwald (SUI).

Innsbruck did not disappoint this year, with their organization of an incredible Saturday night finals spectacle, and IFSC World Cup climbers were up to the task, battling until the very last boulder to determine the podium order.

New faces in the finals

This week’s competition was marked by a stark change in the finals lineup from the past three weeks. On the women’s side, Germany’s Jule Wurm and USA’s Alex Puccio, despite being in the finals of the first three competitions, failed to make it past the semi-finals this week. Those spots were filled by France’s Melissa Le Neve and Marine Thévenet as well as Japan’s Miho Nonaka, in her first finals at only 16. Things came down to the wire once again for Anna Stöhr and Shauna Coxsey, but Anna failed to top the fourth boulder, leaving Shauna with gold in three tops. Stöhr thus came in second and Akiyo Noguchi of Japan took bronze.

The men’s final lineup was equally surprising as Grindelwald gold medalist Jan Hojer failed to make the finals. The Czech Republic’s Adam Ondra, back in his first competition of 2014, put pressure on everyone by flashing the first two problems, but in the end Austria’s Kilian Fischhuber managed to eke out a win by one attempt. Ondra took silver, and Russia’s Rustam Gelmanov took bronze. In his first finals as well as Italy’s Michael Piccolruaz, at just 18 years old. Ondra’s return definitely shook up the rankings, and these finals showed that nothing is set in stone in the men’s field. The second half of the season is shaping up to be quite suspenseful!

Next stop: Toronto (Hamilton)

The next IFSC World Cup will be a solo Bouldering competition held in Hamilton, a small city near Toronto (CAN) on May 31-June 1, after a well deserved two-week break for our athletes. The first North American competition also marks the start of the second half of the 2014 IFSC World Cup season.

More information on the event, as well as live streaming of the semi-finals and finals on:

http://www.ifsc-climbing.org

As always, we are present on Twitter during competitions, so reach out with the hashtag #IFSCwc.
RESULTS OF IFSC WORLD CUP INNSBRUCK 2014 - BOULDER

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For Full Results: [http://www.ifsc-climbing.org/index.php/world-competition/calendar#comp=1519&cat=5](http://www.ifsc-climbing.org/index.php/world-competition/calendar#comp=1519&cat=5)


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A selection of photos from Innsbruck can be found Sunday morning on our flickr page here: [https://www.flickr.com/photos/123572206@N08/sets/7215764623968172/](https://www.flickr.com/photos/123572206@N08/sets/7215764623968172/)

IFSC World Cup (B) 2014 Toronto (Hamilton), Canada May 31 - June 1, 2014

Provisional program (GMT-4)

Saturday, May 31
9h00 - Bouldering qualification for men
16h00 - Bouldering qualification for women

Sunday, June 1
11h00 - Bouldering semi-final for men & women
17h00 - Bouldering final for men & women
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