IFSC SPEED WORLD CUP CHAMONIX 2019

A NEW WOMEN'S GOLD ONDRA BACK ON TOP

As the sun set in on the legendary mountain town of Chamonix, the competitors took on the lead wall in front of a sea of people at one of the most popular events in the world cup circuit. The final saw no tops and many ties for the women, but the men's final was considerably more decisive.

Korea Takes Gold

In a surprising turn of events, the crowd favorite, Janja GARNBRET (SLO) was knocked out of the competition after placing ninth in the semi-finals, one move shy of advancing. This is the first time in GARNBRET's career that she has not made a lead final. This left the first-place position on the podium wide open for the other climbers for the first time since the start of the bouldering season.

The women's final featured 42 moves to the top, but with the crux of the route situated just above the headwall after a long climb, none of the athletes made it to the top. With another series of ties, the results referred back to the semi-final placing. It was the Villars second-place finisher, Chaehyun SEO (KOR), who took home the gold, her first in her climbing career.

Team USA finally had a representative in a final this season, with Ashima SHIRAISHI earning fifth. Jessica PILZ (AUT) was originally awarded a higher result for her attempt but was later marked down and ended the event with bronze, giving YueTang ZHANG (CHN) the silver.

A Legendary Podium

After a challenging semi-final round for the men, several of the top men's athletes passed through to the finals. Alexander MEGOS (GER) who had initially held seventh place at the end of the semi-finals was moved down to eighth for using a bolt. With that result, MEGOS is the first out during the finals and made an impressive attempt at the top, holding on to first place for the entire round until Adam ONDRA (CZE) out climbed him at the end to seize his first lead gold of the season.

Austrian Jakob SCHUBERT, the reigning Lead Season Champion of 2018 fell just short of MEGOS's highpoint and claimed the bronze medal in Chamonix. Great Britain had a men's finalist for the first time this season and William BOSI did not fail to put on a good show, finishing his finals run in fourth.

What's Next?

The 2019 Lead Season will continue on July 19 in Briançon, France after the IFSC Paraclimbing World Championship held from July 16 to 17. Visit the dedicated event pages on the IFSC website for the full list of starters, schedules and highlights from last year.

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RESULTS OF IFSC WORLD CUP CHAMONIX 2019

Men Lead

NAT. NAME **SCORE ONDRA** Adam CZE 47+ 2 **MEGOS Alexander GER** 44 **SCHUBERT** Jakob **AUT** 3 43+ 4 **BOSI** William **GBR** 39+ **GINÉS LÓPEZ** 5 **Alberto ESP** 33+ 6 **STRANIK** Martin CZE 31+ 7 **MCCOLL** Sean CAN 25+ **HARADA** JPN 22 Kai

Women Lead

#	NAME		NAT.	SCORE
1	SEO	Chaehyun	KOR	34+
2	ZHANG	YueTong	CHN	34+
3	PILZ	Jessica	AUT	34+
4	MORI	Ai	JPN	34+
5	SHIRAISHI	Ashima	USA	34+
6	THOMPSON- SMITH	Molly	GBR	26+
7	RAKOVEC	Lucka	SLO	25+
8	TANII	Natsuki	JPN	17+

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PROVISIONAL WORLD LEAD RANKINGS

As of 13.07.2019 after IFSC CLIMBING WORLDCUP (B) - CHAMONIX (FRA) 2019 (13.07.2019)

MEN

#	NAME		NATION	POINTS
1	MEGOS	Alexander	GER	145.00
2	LEHMANN	Sascha	SUI	126.00
3	ONDRA	Adam	CZE	100.00
4	SCHUBERT	Jakob	AUT	89.00
5	STRANIK	Martin	CZE	84.00
6	PAN	YuFei	CHN	80.00
7	FUJII	Kokoro	JPN	71.00
8	BOSI	William	GBR	67.00
8	SKOFIC	Domen	SLO	67.00
10	HADA	Yuki	JPN	63.00

WOMEN

#	NAME		NATION	POINTS
1	SEO	Chaehyun	KOR	180.00
2	GARNBRET	Janja	SLO	137.00
3	MORI	Ai	JPN	120.00
4	ZHANG	YueTong	CHN	117.00
5	PILZ	Jessica	AUT	96.00
6	RAKOVEC	Lucka	SL0	90.00
7	NOGUCHI	Akiyo	JPN	89.00
8	KRAMPL	Mia	SLO	82.00
9	TANII	Natsuki	JPN	80.00
10	THOMPSON-SMITH	Molly	GBR	70.00

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