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IFSC CLIMBING WORLD CUP INZAI 2019

GOLD FOR JAPAN, TWO MEDALS FOR KOREA; SEASON PODIUMS DETERMINED

The final IFSC World Cup competition of the year named two new gold medalists for the 2019 season, Jain KIM (KOR) and Hiroto SHIMIZU (JPN). Janja GARNBRET (SLO) and Tomoa NARASAKI (JPN) take the Combined Podium.

A Record Number of Wins

Four Japanese athletes advanced to the women's finals to the excitement of the home crowd, who hoped to see one of their own on the final podium of the year. Natsuki TANII (JPN) was the first to attempt the route and finished with a score of 34+, her compatriot Miho NONAKA followed immediately after to receive the same result. Both ended the season fifth and sixth respectively. Veteran climber, Akiyo NOGUCHI (JPN) was the first to successfully pass the highpoint set by her teammates and ultimately placed fourth in the competition.

After NOGUCHI, only three climbers remained to take their turn on the wall. The 2019 Lead Season Champion Chaehyun SEO (KOR) easily secured her spot on the podium by reaching hold 37, but the color of her medal had yet to be determined. Her run was immediately followed by the legendary Jain KIM (KOR), who took her time up the route, completing it with less than a minute left on the clock.

With a top from KIM, Janja GARNBRET needed a top of her own to stand on the highest step on the podium. She sped up the route in her usual style and approached the penultimate hold, but unfortunately appeared to pump out and slipped, settling for second place. With this win, KIM is the first climber to achieve 30 IFSC World Cup gold medals.

At the conclusion of the IFSC World Cup in Inzai, GARNBRET and TANII clinch the two available spots on the season podium.

A First Time Gold Medalist

There was another tie this week in the men's competition between American Jesse GRUPPER and Japan's Meichi NARASAKI that culminated in nine athletes participating in the final round. Both had their turns on the wall early on and GRUPPER set an early highpoint that was later matched by Yuki HADA (JPN). It wasn't passed until Stefano GHISOLFI (ITA) had his chance to take on the lead wall and finished with a 32+, which eventually earned him a bronze medal.

The fifth climber out for the event was IFSC Lead World Cup Briancon 2019 silver medalist, Hiroto SHIMIZU (JPN). He calmly climbed up the wall at a steady pace and was the closest to reaching the top before falling at 38+, with four climbers remaining in the line-up.

Breakout climber, Alberto GINÉS LÓPEZ (ESP) has had incredible results this season in both the youth and senior circuits. As the only climber to top a route during the semi-final round, he was the clear favorite to win the gold in Japan. Despite nearly slipping several times, he managed to pass the previously set highpoints and approached SHIMIZU's last hold, but fell before reaching it to land in second, granting SHIMIZU his first IFSC World Cup win in his home country.

With the Lead Season title already claimed by Adam ONDRA (CZE) in Xiamen, the last two spots on the podium still needed to be determined. After their performance in Inzai, GINÉS LÓPEZ took second and Canadian Sean MCCOLL took third.

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GARNBRET and NARASAKI Win Combined

Following seven months of Boulder, Speed and Lead competitions, GARNBRET and Tomoa NARASAKI (JPN) are once again ahead of the pack in Combined after their Combined World Championship wins in Hachioji this past August. To qualify for a combined ranking place, athletes had to participate in at least two competitions per discipline throughout the 2019 season. With these wins, both athletes are proving to be the ones to beat next year in Tokyo 2020.

What's Next?

With the end of the World Cup 2019 series, all eyes turn to the approaching Olympic Qualifying Event in Toulouse, France from November 28 to December 1. More information about the event can be found on the official event page.

Complete results for the IFSC Lead World Cup Inzai 2019 can be found on the official event page.

Complete rankings for both Lead and Combined can be found here.

RESULTS OF IFSC LEAD WORLD CUP INZAI 2019

MEN

#	NAME		NAT.	SCORE
1	SHIMIZU	Hiroto	JPN	38+
2	GINÉS LÓPEZ	Aberto	ESP	36+
3	GHISOLFI	Stefano	ITA	32+
4	HADA	Yuki	JPN	28+
5	GRUPPER	Jesse	USA	28+
6	MCCOLL	Sean	CAN	27+
7	TIMMERMANS	Loic	BEL	22+
8	BAILEY	Sean	USA	19+
9	NARASAKI	Meichi	JPN	19+

WOMEN

#	NAME		NAT.	SCORE
1	KIM	Jain	KOR	Тор
2	GARNBRET	Janja	JPN	39
3	SEO	Chaehyun	KOR	37+
4	NOGUCHI	Akiyo	JPN	36+
5	NONAKA	Miho	JPN	34+
6	TANII	Natsuki	JPN	34+
7	ROGORA	Laura	ITA	20
8	TAJIMA	Aika	JPN	19+

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FINAL WORLD CUP LEAD RANKINGS

As of 27.10.2019 after IFSC CLIMBING WORLDCUP (L) - INZAI (JPN) 2019 (27.10.2019)

MEN

#	NAME		NATION	POINTS
1	ONDRA	Adam	CZE	300.00
2	GINÉS LÓPEZ	Alberto	ESP	256.00
3	MCCOLL	Sean	CAN	206.00
4	HARADA	Kai	JPN	195.00
5	GHISOLFI	Stefano	ITA	190.00
6	SHIMIZU	Hiroto	JPN	180.00
7	FUJII	Kokoro	JPN	165.00
7	MEGOS	Alexander	GER	165.00
9	BAILEY	Sean	USA	158.00
10	LEHMANN	Sascha	SUI	152.00

WOMEN

#	NAME		NATION	POINTS
1	SEO	Chaehyun	KOR	480.00
2	GARNBRET	Janja	SLO	352.00
3	TANII	Natsuki	JPN	243.00
4	RAKOVEC	Lucka	SLO	226.00
5	NOGUCHI	Akiyo	JPN	224.00
6	MORI	Ai	JPN	220.00
7	ZHANG	YueTong	CHN	207.00
8	KIM	Jain	KOR	206.00
9	KRAMPL	Mia	SLO	189.00
10	PILZ	Jessica	AUT	176.00

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FINAL WORLD CUP COMBINED RANKINGS

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MEN

#	NAME		NAT.
1	NARASAKI	Tomoa	JPN
2	ONDRA	Adam	CZE
3	SCHUBERT	Jakob	AUT
4	HARADA	Kai	JPN
5	FUJII	Kokoro	JPN
6	MCCOLL	Sean	CAN
7	PAN	YuFei	CHN
8	HOJER	Jan	GER
9	BOSI	William	GBR
10	LEHMANN	Sascha	SUI
11	NARASAKI	Meichi	JPN
12	CORNU	Manuel	FRA
13	SUGIMOTO	Rei	JPN
14	MEGOS	Alexander	GER
15	YARILOVETS	Nikolai	RUS
16	CHON	Jongwon	KOR
17	GINÉS LÓPEZ	Alberto	ESP
18	DOHI	Keita	JPN
19	MAWEM	Bassa	FRA
20	FLOHÉ	Yannick	GER
21	MUHAMMAD	Alfian	INA
22	GHISOLFI	Stefano	ITA
23	PEHARC	Anze	SLO
24	COLEMAN	Nathaniel	USA

WOMEN

#	NAME		NAT.
1	GARNBRET	Janja	SLO
2	NOGUCHI	Akiyo	JPN
3	PILZ	Jessica	AUT
4	NONAKA	Miho	JPN
5	RAKOVEC	Lucka	SLO
6	ZHANG	YueTong	CHN
7	GIBERT	Fanny	FRA
8	KIM	Jain	KOR
9	CHANOURDIE	Julia	FRA
10	MORI	Ai	JPN
11	KRAMPL	Mia	SL0
12	ITO	Futaba	JPN
13	COXSEY	Shauna	GBR
14	KLINGLER	Petra	SUI
15	CONDIE	Kyra	USA
16	JAUBERT	Anouck	FRA
17	SONG	YiLing	CNH
18	SA	Sol	KOR
19	SHIRAISHI	Ashima	USA
20	SUSANTI RAHAYU	Aries	INA
21	KAZBEKOVA	levgeniia	UKR
22	ROGORA	Laura	ITA
23	YIP	Alannah	CAN
24	REKABI	Elnaz	IRI

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#	NAME		NAT.
"	TWINE		IVII.
25	BAILEY	Sean	USA
26	KRUDER	Jernej	SLO
27	RUBSTOV	Aleksei	RUS
28	ZHONG	QiXin	CHN
29	SHIKOV	Aleksandr	RUS
30	MAWEM	Mickael	FRA
31	BOMBARDI	Marcello	ITA
32	PICCOLRUAZ	Michael	ITA
33	FOSSALI	Ludovico	ITA
34	ROJI	Fatchur	INA
35	RUANA	Rudolph	USA
36	KRIZ	Jan	CZE
37	JAELOLO	Aspar	INA
38	STRANIK	Martin	CZE
39	SKOFIC	Domen	SLO
40	PAVLENKO	Kostiantyn	UKR
41	LORENZI	Simon	BEL
42	TIMMERMANS	Loïc	BEL
43	BROSLER	John	USA
44	REUSER	Tim	NED
45	COLLIN	Nicolas	BEL
46	KIM	Hanwool	KOR
47	DZIENSKI	Marcin	POL
48	KHAZANOV	Alex	ISR
49	GRANJA	Carlos	ECU
50	SAMOILOV	Fedir	UKR

WOMEN

#	NAME		NAT.
25	KALUCKA	Aleksandra	POL
26	HAYES	Margo	USA
27	LETTNER	Sandra	AUT
28	LUKAN	Vita	SLO
29	KAPLINA	luliia	RUS
30	MACKENZIE	Oceania	AUS
31	KRASOVSKAIA	Elena	RUS
32	MESHKOVA	Victoriia	RUS
33	KALUCKA	Natalia	POL
34	BESTVATER	Alma	GER
35	NIU	Di	CHN
36	JOHNSON	Alex	USA
37	HIRANO	Natsumi	JPN
38	ROJAS	Andrea	ECU
39	HÖNIG	Afra	GER
40	CHUDZIAK	Patrycja	POL
41	JIANG	Rong	CHN
42	LEE	Hung Ying	TPE
43	PHILLIPS	Emily	GBR
44	THOMPSON- SMITH	Molly	GBR
45	BROZEK	Anna	POL
46	RABOUTOU	Brooke	USA
47	CAULIER	Chloe	BEL
48	AGUADO	Valentina	ARG
49	KOPF	Sienna	USA
50	NURUL	lqomah	INA

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#	NAME		NAT.
51	AVEZOU	Sam	FRA
52	LINACISORO Molina	Mikel Asier	ESP
53	POTOCAR	Luka	SLO
54	PUMAN	Hannes	SWE
55	GALLA	Zach	USA
56	DESGRANGES	Romain	FRA
57	KONECNY	Jakub	CZE
58	AVEZOU	Leo	FRA
59	MARTIN	Phillip	GER
60	VALENCIA	Danny	ECU
61	MARCUS	Nimrod	ISR
62	FAKIRYANOV	Dmitrii	RUS
63	VETTORATA	Francesco	ITA
64	GROSSO	Cesar	BRA
65	AU	Chi-fung	HKG
66	BARRANS	David	GBR
67	YAU	Ka-chun	HKG
68	HARRISON	Campbell	AUS
69	COSSER	Christopher	RSA
70	CANO Blazquez	Javier	ESP
71	MARNE	Hritik	IND

WOMEN

#	NAME		NAT.
51	MICHALKOVA	Vanda	SVK
52	KOLLER	Anne-Sophie	SUI
53	DOUMONT	Heloïse	BEL
54	KÜMIN	Andrea	SUI
55	YOKOYAMA	Sofya	SUI
56	CONTRERAS	Alejandra	CHI
57	REPUSIC	Urska	SLO
58	PANTELEEVA	luliia	RUS
59	BENACH Zubero	Maria	ESP
60	STIRLING	Lucinda Ann	AUS
61	TETZLAFF	Sarah	NZL

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