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IFSC WORLD CUP KRANJ 2017

BOULDERING, LEAD ATHLETES TO CONCLUDE SEASONS IN KRANJ

The 2017 IFSC World Cup season concludes on November 11-12 in Kranj, Slovenia, and this year Bouldering and Lead athletes will compete for the Combined season podiums.

Kranj owns a distinguished competition climbing history, having hosted Lead World Cup events since 1996. The Combined and Lead season medals will again be decided there at the 8th and final IFSC Lead World Cup of 2017.

A warm welcome for Garnbret

Janja Garnbret improved on her historic 2016 season by becoming the first athlete to win eight IFSC World Cup events in a single season. The 18-year-old Slovenian star defended her Combined and Lead season titles in China last month, and she will again be in the spotlight in front of her home crowd in Kranj.

The first Lead event for Coxsey

Shauna Coxsey (GBR) is among the Bouldering stars vying for a spot on the Combined season podium. The Bouldering season champion is currently ranked second in the Combined rankings and will be competing in her first IFSC Lead World Cup in Kranj. To maintain this positioning, she will have to contend with Lead star Jain Kim (KOR), ranked third. Bouldering legend Akiyo Noguchi (JPN) is also in the running for the Combined podium.

Bouldering season champion Jongwon Chon (KOR) and Bouldering runner-up Tomoa Narasaki (JPN) soared in the Combined rankings after their strong Lead climbing performances in China last month. Both athletes are already guaranteed a place on the Combined podium, and they will compete for the top

spot in Kranj alongside Narasaki's teammate Kokoro Fujii (JPN). Even a win from Fujii may not be enough to overtake them, but he can defend third place from Jan Hojer (GER) and Romain Desgranges (FRA) with a strong finish.

A decisive Saturday for Desgranges

Desgranges has won more IFSC Lead World Cup events this year than any other male athlete (3). He can clinch the Lead season title on the first day of climbing in Kranj by placing 15th or better in semifinals. Anything less and Stefano Ghisolfi (ITA) can catch him with a final victory. Ghisolfi and Keiichiro Korenaga (JPN) already secured a spot on the Lead season podium. Also keep an eye on 2016 Lead season champion Domen Skofic (SLO), climbing in front of his home crowd, and Alexander Megos (GER), who is back on the start list after last competing in Arco.

Kim and Anak Verhoeven (BEL) will stand alongside Garnbret on the women's Lead season podium, and a final medal in Kranj would guarantee second place for Kim. Be sure to track the progress of Slovenian Lead legend Mina Markovic as well.

Watch it LIVE

Tune-in to the IFSC homepage on November 11th and November 12th to watch the LIVE streaming:

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More information can be found on the <u>Kranj event</u> page, and chat with us on Twitter at #IFSCwc.

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Provisional Programme (GMT + 1)

Saturday, November 11

08:00 Men's Lead Qualification 13:00 Women's Lead Qualification 20:00 Lead Semi-Finals (LIVE)

Sunday, November 12

17:00 Lead Finals (LIVE) after Award Ceremony (LIVE)

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CURRENT IFSC LEAD WORLD CUP RANKINGS

As of IFSC Climbing World Cup (L,S) - Xiamen (CHN) 2017 (14.10.2017)

MEN LEAD

#	NAME		NATION	POINTS
1	DESGRANGES	Romain	FRA	440
2	GHISOLFI	Stefano	ITA	362
3	KORENAGA	Keiichiro	JPN	339
4	SKOFIC	Domen	SLO	270
5	BOMBARDI	Marcello	ITA	246
6	JOANNES	Thomas	FRA	193
7	KIM	Hanwool	KOR	189
8	BAILEY	Sean	USA	173
9	RUDIGIER	Max	AUT	171
9	SAMOILOV	Fedir	UKR	171

WOMEN LEAD

#	NAME		NATION	POINTS
1	GARNBRET	Janja	SLO	565
2	KIM	Jain	KOR	445
3	VERHOEVEN	Anak	BEL	404
4	PILZ	Jessica	AUT	331
5	CHANOURDIE	Julia	FRA	307
6	MARKOVIC	Mina	SLO	253
7	SHIRAISHI	Ashima	USA	233
8	THOMPSON-SMITH	Molly	GBR	202
9	SCHUBERT	Hannah	AUT	184
10	KOLLER	Anne-Sophie	SUI	179

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CURRENT IFSC WORLD CUP COMBINED RANKINGS

As of IFSC Climbing World Cup (L,S) - Xiamen (CHN) 2017 (14.10.2017)

MEN COMBINED

#	NAME		NATION	POINTS
1	NARASAKI	Tomoa	JPN	565
2	CHON	Jongwon	KOR	555
3	FUJII	Kokoro	JPN	471
4	DEULIN	Vladislav	RUS	470
5	DESGRANGES	Romain	FRA	440
6	RUBTSOV	Aleksei	RUS	427
7	HOJER	Jan	GER	392
8	WATABE	Keita	JPN	372
9	GHISOLFI	Stefano	ITA	362
10	OGATA	Yoshiyuki	JPN	352

WOMEN COMBINED

#	NAME		NATION	POINTS
1	GARNBRET	Janja	SLO	1035
2	COXSEY	Shauna	GBR	560
3	KIM	Jain	KOR	546
4	JAUBERT	Anouck	FRA	545
5	KAPLINA	Iuliia	RUS	525
6	NOGUCHI	Akiyo	JPN	481
7	VERHOEVEN	Anak	BEL	404
8	KRASAVINA	Mariia	RUS	395
9	NONAKA	Miho	JPN	377
10	TSYGANOVA	Anna	RUS	345

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