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IFSC CLIMBING WORLD CUP BRIANÇON 2014:

KIM & AMMA TAKE GOLD AFTER CANCELLED FINALS

The IFSC Lead World Cup tour stopped in Briançon, France, for the first 2014 solo lead competition this July 19-20, 2014. Due to extreme rain, thunder, and lightning, the finals had to be cancelled, making the semi-finals results the official World Cup rankings.

Situated on the French and Italian border, the small French city of Briançon hosted the first solo Lead World Cup, which corresponded with a stage of the Tour de France passing through the city, making Briançon the place to be for sports lovers this weekend!

Extreme thunderstorms wash out finals

Extreme weather conditions this weekend in the French Alps caused a few last minute changes to the World Cup schedule. Notably, the semi-finals were moved to Saturday evening due to the thunderstorms predicted on Sunday, and climbers were hyper-aware that the finals might be cancelled and that their semi results counted all the more.

Event organizers hoped to wait out the storms and hold the event at a delayed hour, but persistent lightning directly in the area forced a cancellation of the finals, and making the semi-finals results the official event standings.

Semi-finals almost too close to call

In the lead competition on the women's side, Korea's Jain Kim proved that she is on top of the field yet again, with a score of 50+ ensuring her third gold medal in as many World Cups this year. The rest of the podium, however, was not so spread out, with the next 4 climbers scoring 43+ and having to be ranked based on their qualification score. With this, Magdalena Röck of Austria took silver, and Belgium's Anak Verhoeven took third.

The men's podium was more spread out, making for a more satisfying final result, with Japan's Sachi Amma taking his second gold with 46+, France's Romain Desgranges coming in second with a 43+, and Jakob Schubert of Austria taking bronze with a score of 42+.

Next stop: Imst (AUT)

Imst (AUT) is the site of the last IFSC Lead World Cup this August 1-2, 2014 before the World Championships and the second half of the season that kicks off in the fall!

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.

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RESULTS OF IFSC WORLD CUP BRIANÇON 2014 - LEAD

WOMEN LEAD:

RANK NAME **POINTS** NATION 1 Kim Jain **KOR** 50+ 2 Röck **AUT** 43+ Magdalena 3 Verhoeven BEL 43+ Anak 4 **Vidmar** SLO 43-Maja 5 0da JPN 43+ Momoka 6 Markovic Mina SLO 41.5+ 7 Noguchi JPN 41.5+ Akiyo 8 **Posch** 41.5+ Katharina **AUT**

For Full Results:

https://www.ifsc-climbing.org/index.php/worldcompetition/calendar#!comp=1523&cat=2

REPLAY

Lead Semi-final: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ab-**OGDBlqsg**

PHOTOS

A selection of photos from Briançon can be found Monday morning on our flickr page here: https://www.flickr.com/photos/123572206@N08/

MEN LEAD:

RANK	NAME		NATION	POINTS
1	Amma	Sachi	JPN	46+
2	Desgranges	Romain	FRA	43₊
3	Schubert	Jakob	AUT	42 +
4	Julian Puigblanque	Ramón	ESP	41+
5	Supper	Gautier	FRA	41
6	McColl	Sean	CAN	40
7	Romain	Manuel	FRA	39₊
8	Midtboe	Magnus	NOR	39-

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IFSC World Cup (L) Imst (AUT), August 1-2, 2014

Provisional program (GMT+2)

Friday, August 1

09h30-15h00 - Lead qualification for men & women

18h30-21h00 - Lead semi-final for men & women (live streaming)

Saturday, August 2

19h30-20h30 - Lead final for men (live streaming)

20h20-21h30 - Lead final for women (live streaming)

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