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IFSC WORLD CUP XIAMEN 2016

XIAMEN CROWNS 2016 CHAMPIONS

Only days after Wujiang, the best Sport Climbers in the world journeyed further down China's East coast this weekend for the first IFSC World Cup in Xiamen, China.

Buczek and Kokorin Resilient. Dzienski and Kaplina Overall Champions

After a drizzly competition in Wuijang, elite Speed Athletes faced-off in a humid indoor venue for the final IFSC Speed World Cup of 2016. Marcin Dzienski of Poland committed two false starts early in the Finals, but he finished first in the Overall rankings after clinching the title in Wuijang, Ukranian Speed world record holder Danvil Boldvrev finished fifth to place third Overall, but second Overall was left a mystery until the final match. In one of the most thrilling races of the year, three-time season champion Stanislav Kokorin of Russia sneaked past Bassa Mawem of France, touching the top pad one hundredth of a second sooner for Gold, Wuiiang victor Oixin Zhong made it two medals for China this week with another close win over Wujiang runner-up Vladislav Deulin of Russia in the small final.

Iuliia Kaplina of Russia and Anouck Jaubert of France have been battling for the top spot in the Overall rankings all season long, and the rivalry continued on Saturday. In the semi-final, Jaubert struggled to find her rhythm against Klaudia Buczek of Poland, balking halfway up the slippery wall, while Kaplina maintained form against her teammate and world champion Anna Tsyganova. The 7.84 was the best time of the day and sealed her Overall victory. the first in the twenty-three-year-old's IFSC career. Buczek, never scoring below eight or above nine seconds, continued her steady pace in the final race, besting the season champion for her first Gold and third place in the Overall rankings. In the small final, Tsyganova edged Jaubert by eight hundredths of a second for Bronze. It was still an incredible season for Jaubert, who finished second Overall and set an IFSC record with four IFSC Speed World Cup wins.

Garnbret Clinches Overall. Ghisolfi Wins First

The sixth IFSC Lead World Cup took place outside in hot and humid conditions, making the slopers on the latter half of the Women's Finals route even more challenging. Japan Bouldering star Akiyo Noguchi took an early lead by enduring the pump a few moves from the top, but the last three climbers surpassed her mark. Both Jain Kim of Korea and Anak Verhoeven of Belgium slapped sweaty hands on the penultimate sloper before falling, with Verhoeven placing better due to a countback to Semi-Finals. At the end, Slovenian Janja Garnbret pleased the crowd by catching the tiny screw-on at the top of the hold to win Gold and clinch the Overall victory, only weeks after becoming world champion.

A dynamic start to the Men's Finals route stumped a couple finalists, but many Athletes attempted the crimps which followed. Austrian Jakob Schubert and Russian Dmitrii Fakiryanov - Lead winner of the first World University Championships last week in Shanghai- pushed into the succeeding volumes for third and second. Italian Stefano Ghisolfi stuck the decisive next sloper for his first victory of the year.

The Next Generation

Guangzhou, China, welcomes the top young Sport Climbers on the planet on November 7th-13th for the annual IFSC World Youth Championships. For more information, visit the dedicated event page. As in Wujiang and Xiamen, the event will not be LIVE on YouTube, but daily highlights and full replays of Semi-Finals and Finals will be available afterwards:

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For updates on the next stop of the China Tour, stay tuned to IFSC social media and the IFSC website:

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RESULTS OF IFSC WORLD CUP XIAMEN 2016

Men Lead

#	NAME		NAT.	SCORE
1	GHISOLFI	Stefano	ITA	39
2	FAKIRYANOV	Dmitrii	RUS	37+
3	SCHUBERT	Jakob	AUT	37+
4	SUPPER	Gautier	FRA	33-
5	DESGRANGES	Romain	FRA	32+
6	JOANNES	Thomas	FRA	32
7	HIGUCHI	Masahiro	JPN	25+
8	KIM	Hanwool	KOR	11+

Women Lead

#	NAME		NAT.	SCORE
1	GARNBRET	Janja	SLO	42-
2	VERHOEVEN	Anak	BEL	40-
3	KIM	Jain	KOR	40-
4	NOGUCHI	Akiyo	JPN	36+
5	MARKOVIC	Mina	SLO	35+
6	CHANOURDIE	Julia	FRA	33-
7	ROMAIN	Salomé	FRA	29+
8	PILZ	Jessica	AUT	21+

Men Speed

#	NAME		NAT.	SCORE
1	KOKORIN	Stanislav	RUS	6.00
2	MAWEM	Bassa	FRA	6.01
3	ZHONG	Qixin	CHN	6.20
4	DEULIN	Vladislav	RUS	6.36
5	BOLDYREV	Danyil	UKR	6.22
6	MORO	Guillaume	FRA	7.68
7	NAMBOT	Quentin	FRA	8.43
8	ALIPOURSHEN.	Reza	IRI	fall

Women Speed

#	NAME		NAT.	SCORE
1	BUCZEK	Klaudia	POL	8.65
2	KAPLINA	Iuliia	RUS	9.66
3	TSYGANOVA	Anna	RUS	7.94
4	JAUBERT	Anouck	FRA	8.02
5	FLEURET	Elma	FRA	8.88
6	RUDZINSKA	Aleksandra	POL	9.87
7	MOTOVILOVA	Svetlana	RUS	10.65
8	SARISSON	Aurelia	FRA	fall

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2016 OVERALL WORLD CUP RANKINGS (SPEED)

Men Speed

#	NAME		NAT.	SCORE
1	DZIENSKI	Marcin	POL	485
2	KOKORIN	Stanislav	RUS	366
3	BOLDYREV	Danyil	UKR	363
4	MAWEM	Bassa	FRA	349
5	ALIPOURSHEN.	Reza	IRI	335
6	HROZA	Libor	CZE	322
7	TIMOFEEV	Dmitrii	RUS	241
8	GONTERO	Leonardo	ITA	214

Women Speed

#	NAME		NAT.	SCORE
1	KAPLINA	luliia	RUS	520
2	JAUBERT	Anouck	FRA	506
3	BUCZEK	Klaudia	POL	398
4	RUDZINSKA	Aleksandra	POL	367
5	TSYGANOVA	Anna	RUS	297
6	SARISSON	Aurelia	FRA	266
7	MARENYCH	Alla	UKR	251
8	BROZEK	Anna	POL	248

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