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VAL DI SOLE: THE COMPLETE INFO TO GET IT ALL FROM THE RACE DAYS

Val di Sole keeps working on the preparation of the grand final of the UCI Mountain Bike World Cup 2015 presented by Shimano, not only by polishing the race track for an amazing final, but also by setting up an incredibly warm welcome for the thousands of enthusiasts that will be there during the race days: fantastic organization, entertainment and a very special place to enjoy by bike.

Only one ticket, but loads of entertainment

There is an important change for the spectators: **for the first year there is a ticket to buy to attend the event.** Val di Sole adopted the same guidelines followed by the other hosts of the World Cup UCI and set up an entry ticket to access the course and watch the race. The price is 10 euro for the one-day ticket and 15 euro for two days: **the XCO will take place on Saturday while the DH race will go on during the Sunday**, in reverse order compared to the previous editions. During Friday, access to the 4X final will be free. Children under 12 years qualify for free entry. The tickets are already available and they can be bought on-line on the official web-page valdisolebikeland.com. The ticket gives access to the racecourse during the event, but it also includes a number of services and shows that will make complete the experience for all the enthusiasts that will come to enjoy the final days of the UCI Mountain Bike World Cup.

The tickets offer full access to all public areas, both in the finish line area and along the racecourse, so it will be important to get a front row spot to watch this memorable grand final. For those that will choose to watch the race from the finish line, not a single moment of the race will be missed, thanks to the massive screen showing the real-time images by RedBull TV, with cameras located at the 'hottest' spots along the race track. The seating will be limited, subject to availability. The same ticket gives access to the expo area, free WiFi in the team area and offers a 50% discount for the purchase of the ticket for the cable car that takes you up to the start line area.

Besides the race, a number of shows will take place, including that of Stihl Timbersports, **a spectacular performance of woodcutters**, with the Italian champion Paolo Vicenzi, and that of **paragliding** Fall With Style, with the Acro Team. Beside those, **a rock gig with the Punkreas**, the famous Italian punk band with more than 25 years of success. And there is more: to entertain the public **parkour performances** will also take place while the company OZO **Big Air Bag** will be available for those that will let their own freestyle nature go. Those that will take their children to the event will be able to make their little athletes take part to the **Mini World Cup** for free.



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Endless opportunities for those on holiday in Val di Sole

The schedule is packed with events during the race days but the organizing staff recommend visitors to stretch their stay in Val di Sole a little longer and, most of all, to bring their bikes. **The valley offers plenty of things to do**, for example for those who fancy relaxing with the family **there is a 35 km-long cycle-route along the river Noce** while for those who **are attracted by enduro riding** there are a number of trails that flow throughout pristine nature, facing the panorama of stunning mountains such as Dolomiti del Brenta and the group Ortles-Cevedale.

Moreover, this summer there is a special offer for those who spend their holiday in an affiliated structure, **with the interesting initiative called Trentino Guest Card - Val di Sole Opportunity**. Thanks to the card, with an extra payment of only one euro, many other offers are available, especially to enjoy **outdoor activities, wellness plans and cultural programmes**.

Thanks to the **Trentino Guest Card - Val di Sole Opportunity** more than 10 lifts can be accessed with and without bikes, together with bus and trains free to use on the Trento-Malé-Marilleva 900 line and other routes. Transportation **Train + Bike** is also included as well as the **Bike Bus** within the whole Val di Sole. Included are also other offers such as: testers of the **thermal water of Pejo and Rabbi**, entries to a number of museums, historical attractions, castles, fortifications and natural sites. For further details, please visit the official page of Val di Sole Opportunity at www.valdisole.net.

Race Update

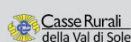
DH

The fourth stage of the UCI Mountain Bike World Cup presented by Shimano, which took place at **Lenzerheide in Switzerland**, was characterized by dusty trails and high temperatures. In the downhill race, **Greg Minnaar** from South Africa, celebrates his 18th victory, followed by the solid but unlucky **Loic Bruni**, the French champion 21 years old. More surprising has been the third place of the up-coming rider **Dean Lucas, 20 years old**. The ranking of the elite men category seems to be very open at this stage: **Aaron Gwin** is still leader of the ranking but with his last result - eighth place - he lets Bruni and Minnaar get closer. There are two Italian riders in the Finals, **Francesco Colombo** and **Carlo Caire**, who are 65th and 72nd.

Among the ladies, **Rachel Atherton** from Great Britain keeps dominating the scene and reaches the sizeable number of 23 victories in the World Cup Series. In second place there is another British rider, **Manon Carpenter**, 2014 World Cup champion, while **Tracey Hannah** from Australia is third. The performance of the Italian ladies has been brilliant: **Eleonora Farina** is tenth and for her first time within the top ten of the general ranking, while **Alia Marcellini** is eleventh. In the general ranking, the first three positions also correspond to the result of the stage.

XCO

The third stage of the **UCI XCO World Cup** looked like a three-horse race, with **Jaroslav Kulhavy**, the winner of the first stage, **Julien Absalon**, winner of the second stage and the Swiss **Nino Schurter**. At the finish line Kulhavy gained back the leader's jersey, with Schurter second and Cink Ondrey third. Absalon got a flat tire and closes the race in ninth



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position. Among the Italian riders **Marco Aurelio Fontana** is 14th, **Andrea Tiberi** 20th and **Luca Braidot** 23rd. In the women's category the victory goes to **Gunn-Rita Dahle**, the first woman able to get 29 victories in the World Cup and who now leads the ranking together with Jolanda Neff. **Lea Davison** from the US reaches the finish line in second position, while **Catharine Pendrel** is third.

The next two events **before the grand final in Val di Sole** will take place in North America with the race of **Mont-Stee-Anne**, in Canada, next August and **Windham** in the US.

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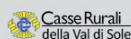
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