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## **FIS COMPETITION PREVIEW**

### **FIS Nordic Combined Summer Grand Prix**

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FIS Nordic Combined Summer Grand Prix Oberhof / Steinbach-Hallenberg IG 15km

#### **Kreiner wins, Lamy Chappuis 2<sup>nd</sup>, Denifl 3<sup>rd</sup>**

David Kreiner from Austria won the second competition of the 10<sup>th</sup> FIS Nordic Combined Summer Grand Prix. He gained first place in front of Jason Lamy Chappuis from France and Wilhelm Denifl from Austria, who got second and third.

Leading after the jumping, Bernhard Gruber could not hold on to his lead and finished 34<sup>th</sup> in the end. He had a technical problem during the race which put him that far behind. Kreiner was fourth after the jumping, Lamy Chappuis second and Denifl third.

The Individual Gundersen competition was held without any qualification which meant that every athlete could jump a second time and could therefore also race.

With his victory today, David Kreiner could take over the yellow bib from Eric Frenzel and is now leading the overall Summer Grand Prix with 140 points. Behind him, Björn Kircheisen is second with 130 points and Eric Frenzel is third with 113 points.

The next competition (IG) will be next Wednesday (29<sup>th</sup> August) in Val di Fiemme, Italy.

Weather: 21°C (XC), 22°C (SJ), sunshine, some clouds

Spectators: 3000 (XC), 1000 (SJ)

DNF: Stecher (AUT), Tepel (GER), Schlott (GER), Camerota (USA), Trachuk (UKR)

DSQ: Sobolev (BLR), Vodsedalek (CZE)

Statements of the three best:

David Kreiner:

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I am really satisfied and happy, especially that I could win here in Oberhof. The spectators here are great and support the Austrian team as it is supported at home. It is always a great feeling to compete here. My jumps were quite good. The conditions were not that easy but I just concentrated on myself. You have to do that otherwise your jumps won't work. Of course I was also a bit lucky with the conditions, especially during the second jump. For the race, I knew that I had to keep the speed high, but when you are alone it is never that easy. However, I could finish first and it doesn't matter with how many seconds in front of the second one.

Jason Lamy Chappuis:

The jumping competition was really interesting today with the changing wind. My first jump was not good but I was also not very lucky with the wind. But the second jump was much better and I could put myself into second place after the jumping which was a good starting position for the race. During the race, Willi and I worked together pretty well and we could keep Björn behind us, although that was not an easy job. I am really satisfied and happy with my second place.

Wilhelm Denifl:

It is a great feeling to be on the podium here in Oberhof. My goal for the Summer Grand Prix was to be under the top in the jumping and I did that today. Therefore I was really satisfied with that part of the competition. It is better not to think too much about the wind condition, so I just tried to jump as good as I could. The sun was shining which is not usual in Oberhof and so it was double fun to compete here in front of a great crowd. Jason, Maxime and I worked together pretty well during the race so that we could keep Björn behind us. Maxime had to let go shortly before the finish, but we other two fought until the end. Jason was some centimetres better, but I am still very happy and satisfied with the competition today.

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