



T.C.S.S.E 2005 Remerschen

After having seen the 4 promoting races (Kids, Youth and Popular) scheduled by F.L.TRI at 10a.m. to 2p.m. on the rainy day of 2nd July 2005 at the "recreatif" center of Remerschen (LUX) located at the border of our 3 neighbors (France, Germany, Luxembourg) the 48 elite athletes (women & men) from 5 small nations (Malta, Monaco, Liechtenstein and Cyprus) dived into the clear and warm water of lake Remerschen.

D. Bockel (LUX) was at the lead after 1st Lap, 15 sec followed by the rest of the pack, where youngster Mark Zammit (Malta) showed that he has a great potential.

After the 2nd lap, D. Bockel increased slightly his advantage, Zammit went out with 37sec behind, and Liz May (LUX) 1st woman, pointed 57sec behind, placed on 3rd position overall.

On the second discipline both leaders showed their initiative by pushing hard even on the slippery 10km bike course and controlling the final 10km run. The demanding uphill of 2km was a serious selection for all athletes. The leaders could increase as mentioned their advantage, but behind many changes succeeded. Tom Carier (LUX) who was pointed 2min behind Zammit (Malta) at 11th place and 1.35min behind Baraquin (LUX) was really in his area and gapped both athletes in the 3rd round. Together they went into 2nd transition, where Carier could make the difference in the second half of the final 10km run by finishing on 2nd place. Zammit paid his efforts on the bike, and was passed by the other strong Luxembourg's team members like Baraquin, Krombach, Jentges and Pletschette.

Liz May, showed her progress by a strong bike part and by a final run as well. On second position, Jackie Komes (winner TCSSE 2004) showed up and Gaby Andres took 3rd place.

Men and Women team ranking was won by Luxembourg, Malta and Monaco.

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