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Perfect Fox hands out canoeing clinic at Augsburg World Cup

A rampant Jessica Fox smashed the best canoe slalom paddlers in the world to make it five gold medals from five World Cup starts when she won the women's ICF K1 final in Augsburg, Germany, on Saturday.

Fox finished an incredible six seconds ahead of Great Britain's Mallory Franklin to give the Australian her third World Cup title in 2018.

There was a popular hometown win for Sideris Tasiadis in the men's C1, giving the German his second gold medal of the season. Tasiadis finished just ahead of the ultra-consistent Slovak, Alexander Slafkovsky, who recorded his third consecutive silver medal of the season. Slovenia's Luka Bozic finished third.

But Fox was the star of Saturday, racing down the Augsburg course in 102.10, ahead of Franklin's 108.56. Slovenia's Eva Tercelj picked up the bronze. „It was great, I really attacked it and I improved on my semi-final where I wanted to,” Fox said. „I thought after my s-gate at the finish I thought I had a 105, but to see a 102 I'm just blown away, I am so happy. I can't believe it, it's been an incredible start to the season. I know last year Ricarda (Funk) won three gold medals and I was three times second, so to get up on that stop this time is wonderful.”

In the mixed C2, there was another hometown win, this time for the brand new pairing of Jasmin Schornberg and Thomas Becker.

The Germans edged out last weekend's gold medallists, Czech's Tereza Fiserova and Jakub Jane, with another Czech pairing, Veronika Vojtova and Jan Masek, third.

There were plenty of surprises on Saturday, with the Rio 2016 gold and silver medallists in both the men's C1 and the women's K1 failing to make the finals. Spain's Maialen Chourraut and New Zealand's Luuka Jones, both missed the women's K1 final, while France's Denis Gargaud Chanut and Slovakia's Matej Benus missed the men's medal race. Great Britain's David Florence, a winner last week in Krakow, also missed the final.



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RESULTS

MEN'S C1

1. TASIADIS Sideris (GER) 100.06
2. SLAFKOVSKY Alexander (SVK) 100.77
3. BOZIC Luka (SLO) 102.87 (2)

WOMEN'S K1

1. FOX Jessica (AUS) 102.10
2. FRANKLIN Mallory (GBR) 108.56
3. TERCELJ Eva (SLO) 108.86 (2)

MIXED C2

1. SCHORNBER/BECKER (GER) 126.07 (2)
2. FISEROVA/JANE (CZE) 127.11
3. VOJTOVA/MASEK (CZE) 129.39 (2)

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