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## **First Competition Day Results**

**Nastia Potanina – World Champion  
in Parallel Slalom discipline**

The Aquabike Women's World Championship has started on June 25<sup>th</sup> 2005 in Moscow, hosted by the Olympic Rowing Center – the Grebnoy Canal – in Krylatskoye. The First Competition Day was marked by the trials and qualification rounds in circle racing.

Victoria Molyneaux, the French rider, is positioned first as a result of qualification in class «ski division».

Amy Green, the American rider is positioned first in «runabout» class qualification. The Russian rider Nastia Potanina is first in freestyle class qualification, with maximum points collected in the discipline (169). For Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> June, which is the closing day of the competition, the races in «ski division», «runabout» and «freestyle» classes are planned.

As a result of the First Competition Day, The first World Champion is determined. Though the anticipations for the Italian riders being evident favourites in parallel slalom, the semifinal was reached not only by Tatiana Mercuriali, but also by Nastia Potanina and the French riders Virginie Charlet and Viktoria Molyneaux. The vigorous Olympic system competition, based on defeated pilots exclusion, composed on three parallel final rounds, was crowned with the gold medal won by Nastia Potanina, with the second place by Tatiana Mercuriali and a honourable third place by Viktoria Molyneaux.

«I'm scrambled, tired and I've done my utmost and ... have won, grabbed the first place. All my energies were like a single whole, I was fitted to use much of my forces, to be the first. », - has said Nastia Potanina, the Slalom World Champion.

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