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- **The grand finale after a terrific final stage at the Transalpine Run 2022.**
- **Winners from 6 nations.**
- **210 teams reach the finish line in Vals in South Tyrol.**

The 17th DYNAFIT Transalpine Run 2022 powered by Volkswagen R is complete. 4 out of 5 teams who started in Garmisch-Partenkirchen 8 days ago (210 in total) reached the finish line in Vals in South Tyrol. With 34 kilometres and 2700 meters of ascent from Gossensass to Vals, the athletes were once again demanded everything of themselves and the top teams left no stone unturned.

### **Open Men Category: F7 Coros reigned superior but bad luck for the local team of the final location**

Team **F7/Coros** with Alexander Hutter and Elias Feineler from Austria are the new winners of the Transalpine Run 2022 (TAR). From the fifth stage they took over the coveted leader's jersey and defended it until Vals in South Tyrol and on the last stage they left no stone unturned in 4:05:53 hours. "Tough start, awesome finish. Those were perfect trail running holidays. A huge event, mega organized," said the overjoyed Elias. Surprisingly, Team Step by Step, which had been in fifth place up to that point, came in second today and was able to take third place overall in the final standings. Unfortunately, Patrick Kühn and Stephan Niermann from the Häckstixx Runners, who were in third place overall, were not even able to start as a team this morning and yesterday's winners from the local team Gitschberg-Jochtal suffered from an injury on the final stage back home but still dragged themselves to the finish line as 17th in the day's standings and ended up 4th place overall. The Bergler brothers from M-motion, who had still won the first four stages, finished third today and secured a commanding second place in the overall standings.

### **Open Women Category: US teams dominate the final stage**

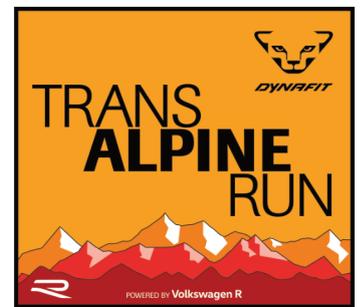
In the women's race, the US teams were the dominating nation throughout the week. That didn't change on the final stage as the DYNAFIT Ladies USA easily took today's win in 4:49.03 hours and with it the overall standings. "A dream come true. It was terrific. We've never run together before and now we've been supporting each other all week. That was unique," said Rea Kolbl. Second place today and overall went to Emmiliese Von Avis and Erika Flowers from Ski Dig Fitness Club. Team Alpstein Power with Simone Räss and Nadja Fässler completed the podium.

### **Open Mixed Category: Clear case for Volkswagen R**

In the open mixed classification, there was no way around Team Volkswagen R with Ida Sophie Hegemann and Sebastian Hallmann. They won every single stage (today in 4:42:54 hours) and consequently the overall classification. For Ida-Sophie it was already the third victory in a row at the Transalpine Run as the preceding two years she won in the Open Women's category. For Sebastian Hallmann it is the first victory after two attempts (once second, once eliminated). He was, in a word, relieved: "Finally it's done." Second overall went to Mathias Klemm and Nolle Keßler from Team Salomon #Elbventure ahead of DYNAFIT Team Poland.

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### **Master Men category: Belgians stay in front**

In the Master Men category, Swiss Helmut Perreten and Thomas Graf of Team Jungfrau Marathon won again the daily ranking in 4:25:16 hours. The two Belgians Koen Wilssens and Krijn Van Koolwijk from #teamrunnerslab1 defended their top position in front of the Swiss despite fourth place with a total of three stage wins. Third place at the end went to Trailmotion Tirol powered by Imst Tourismus with Rene and Marcel Mair.

### **Master Woman category: Slovak women in a class of their own**

Team Runningzone Dynafit with Linda Beniacova and Silvia Petrjanosova ran in a league of their own with 8 daily victories yielding a strong overall victory and a 2.5 hour lead. Second place went to Trailmotion Tirol powered by Imst Tourismus with Kerstin Zangerle and Maria Tangl and third to the Polish team Herzhopfen with Jola Kletterer and Claudia Schwarz.

### **Master Mixed category: suspense until the end**

It was once again exciting in the Master Mixed category as team Werun4fun e.v. with Benjamin Klöppel and Claudia Rosegger, who were getting stronger every day, snatched today's victory. With only 3 minutes behind today's second place went to Swiss Suvretta Sports with Gabriela Egli and Sascha Hosennen. "The two of them absolutely deserved it; it was a great competition and was really fun," Benjamin Klöppel said calmly. Third overall went to F7/Coros from Austria with Katharina Hutter and Konrad Kröll.

### **Senior Master Men category: Experience pays off and Seeberger-Mammut wins**

The strong South Tyroleans Rainhard Pixner and Patrick Wallnöfer from the Algund Dairy were again the fastest of the day in 4:40.50 hours. The experienced TAR runners Anton Philipp and Clemens Keller of Seeberger-Mammut (both have won the TAR several times) nevertheless defended their comfortable lead over the South Tyroleans in a sovereign manner. Third overall went to **Laufladen Axel Reusch/Bahnhof-Apotheke Kempten** mit Christian Zettler und Thomas Miksch.

### **Senior Master Mixed category: Austrians ahead of two German teams**

The Huto Racers from Austria with Angelika Huemer-Toff and Clemens Huemer stayed ahead on the last day. Second and third overall went to Team Pitztal powered by Wohlleben Sports & Dynafit with Holger Schulze and Stephanie Lieb and STW Mobile Machiones Trailmotion with Kerri Gregson and Roland Schindele.

The Transalpine Run 2022 started on September 3rd in Garmisch-Partenkirchen and led across the Alps in 8 days. Runners from 27 nations were at the start. Of the 267 teams that entered the race, **210** made it across the finish line together in the end. Together with **37** individual finishers who continued running after their team partner dropped out, a total of **457** runners can call themselves finishers of the DYNAFIT Transalpine Run 2022 powered by Volkswagen R.

### **All results, pictures and event clips at [transalpine-run.com](https://transalpine-run.com)**

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