



## Skateboard history made at Cloverdale's World Freestyle Round-Up

*Pros take home \$10,000 in competition that saw  
world's first two-board run winner*

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**Cloverdale, BC:** For the first time in world freestyle history, 15-year old **Isamu Yamamoto** of Japan performed a run using two skateboards that earned first place and \$3,000 in prize money.



*Isamu Yamamoto wins professional final on two boards*

"It's the first time ever in skateboard history that the winner did tricks using two skateboards at the same time," said contest producer and Canadian professional skateboarder **Kevin Harris**. "I dropped the microphone and went over and gave him a hug. No one has ever seen it before in a world competition. It's a game changer."

Ten-year-old **Yuzuki Kawasaki** from Japan nearly made history himself, finishing second overall in the professional division, taking home \$2,000. Had he won; he would have been the youngest ever professional winner in international competition.



*Yuzuki Kawasaki, 10, finishes second in professional final*

Other notable accomplishments include **Mirei Tsuchida** of Japan, the only female competitor who finished fourth in the amateur finals, and father and son team of **Masahiro Fujii**, 46, and **Yuta Fujii**, 13, of Japan. Yuta narrowly beat his father to finish 8th<sup>th</sup> in the professional finals.

Eleven-time world champion **Guenter Mokulys**, 55, finished fifth in the professional finals.

“He could be a grandfather to some of these kids and he’s still out there competing professionally with them,” said Harris. “What other sport does this kind of generational competition happen in? Not many.”

### **Professional Final Results**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Isamu Yamamoto, Japan – 291
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Yuzuki Kawasaki, Japan – 282
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Mike Osterman, USA – 279
- 4<sup>th</sup> Jacob Whitt, USA – 271
- 5<sup>th</sup> Guenter Mokulys, Germany – 268
- 6<sup>th</sup> Ikkei Nagao, Japan – 267
- 7<sup>th</sup> Stefan “Lillis” Akesson, Sweden – 264
- 8<sup>th</sup> Yuta Fujii, Japan – 262
- 9<sup>th</sup> Masahiro Fujii, Japan – 258
- 9<sup>th</sup> Pete Betti, USA – 258

- 10<sup>th</sup> Felix Jonsson, Sweden – 253
- 10<sup>th</sup> Denham Hill, England - 253

### **Amateur Final Results**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Cristobal Bahamonde, Chile – 271
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Josh Dunstone, Australia – 269
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Nick Beaulieu, USA – 256
- 4<sup>th</sup> Mirei Tsuchida, Japan – 248
- 5<sup>th</sup> John Sawyer, USA – 227
- 6<sup>th</sup> Jordan Sterling, Canada – 226
- 7<sup>th</sup> Andreas Tsougrianis, Canada – 224
- 8<sup>th</sup> Eric Lowery, USA – 216
- 9<sup>th</sup> Daniel Greschner, Germany/England – 214
- 10<sup>th</sup> Allen Handley, Canada – 212
- 11<sup>th</sup> Connor McCaughtrie, Canada – 203
- 12<sup>th</sup> Matthew Phillips, Canada – 201
- 13<sup>th</sup> Phil Larin, Canada – 195.

To learn more about World Round-Up and see a full breakdown of the four-day agenda, visit: <https://cloverdale rodeo.com/country-fair/world-freestyle-skateboard-round-up/>

### **Cloverdale World Freestyle Round-Up Fast Facts**

- The annual Cloverdale competition is one of only five that happens globally and is the biggest one in the world. The other four are held in Germany, Japan, Brazil and the U.S.
- For the first time in history, the Olympics will feature bowl and street skateboarding events for men and women at the **2020 Olympics in Tokyo**.
- Canadian skater Andy Anderson was recently signed by Powell-Peralta. He has competed all over North America and has won two world championships in freestyle skateboarding – both at the World Round-Up in Cloverdale.

### **About the Cloverdale Rodeo and Country Fair:**

The Cloverdale Rodeo and Exhibition Association is the non-profit organization that manages the world-famous Cloverdale Rodeo and Country Fair, held every year on the May long weekend at the Cloverdale Fairgrounds in Surrey, British Columbia.

The Association is also responsible for year-round management of the Cloverdale Exhibition Grounds (Fairground) that hosts over 1,000 events annually, with eight unique facilities on 100 acres capable of hosting 100 – 100,000 attendees, including trade shows, concerts, festivals, sporting events and is a #BCFilm film-friendly location. For more information on the Association and the 73<sup>rd</sup> annual Cloverdale Rodeo and the 131<sup>st</sup> annual Country Fair, visit [www.CloverdaleRodeo.com](http://www.CloverdaleRodeo.com).

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