



Benjamin Dyball wins stage 2 Tour de Taiwan in Taoyuan

Taking victory in 2:59:56, 33-year-old Benjamin Dyball (Team Ukyo) wins his first stage of the Tour de Taiwan, the slim climber has been to Taiwan many times to participate in the race and also lead the overall and the best climbers' classification.

After starting in front of Taoyuan City Performing Arts Center, the peloton covered 120.59km in total, with one intermediate sprint and three categorized climbs. There were minor attacks right after the race, but Ole Henrik Bang-Andreasen and Wen Chung Huang formed a leading group, the duo took a maximum 1'45" gap, then Huang couldn't keep up the pace and it was only Ole in the front but Ole had a puncture before the KOM (90K). Ole was awarded combativity award for his riding in the lead.

As the riders approached the first KOM, there was no leading group. The best climbers from every team ride aggressively, and the rest dropped one by one. There were steep climbs and technical corners as the peloton passed Shimen reservoir. At the 3KM mark, Benjamin Dyball all out racing with a solo win. "Taiwan is one of my favorite racing countries. I believe Taoyuan stage is the decisive win and the team will fight hard for the yellow jersey. The teams also done altitude training two week before Tour de Taiwan," said the former world tour cyclist and Taiwan's KOM second.

The Chinese Taipei veteran Chun Kai Feng is the 11th riders entered the stage. "After the second KOM I found the leading group increase the pace and I found it hard for me to keep with the pace, so I rather conserve the energy for the later stages," said the Chun Kai Feng who lead the best Asian classification and previously won the Tour de Taiwan KOM classification for the three consecutive years.

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STAGE RESULTS

1. DYBALL Benjamin (Team Ukyo) 2:59:56
2. CULVERWELL Sam (Trinity Racing) s.t. +40
3. GARCIA FERNANDEZ Marcos (Kinan Racing Team) +40

Individual General Classification by Time (Yellow Jersey): DYBALL Benjamin (Team Ukyo)

General Individual Classification on Points (Green Jersey): OKAMOTO Hayato (Aisan Racing Team)

The Mountain General Classification (Polka-dot Jersey): DYBALL Benjamin (Team Ukyo)

Best Asian Rider Classification (Blue Jersey): FENG Chun Kai (Chinese Taipei)