



78th SCHELDEPRIJS

April 18

As everyone prepared for the inevitable mass sprint, John 'concrete' Talen surprisingly jumped away. He stayed 40 metres clear of the peloton and took the spoils for Panasonic. Eric Vanderaerden beat Johan Museeuw to second place.

ROADMAP Schoten, Schilde, Zoersel, Zandhoven, Grobbendonk, Herentals, Olen, Westerlo, Herselt, Aarschot, Schoonhovendreef, Tielt-Winge, Houwaertseberg, Holsbeek, Rotselaar, Wakkerzeel, Rotselaar, Tremelo, Schriek, Heist-op-den-Berg, Herenthout, Grobbendonk, Pulle, Pulderbos, Zandhoven, Ranst, Oelegem, Schilde, 's- Gravenwezel, Schoten, 2.5 local laps, total 200 km.



Photo François Buysens

RESULT

154 participants

1. John Talen (Ned), 200 km in 4h42m9s (42,553 km/h); 2. Eric Vanderaerden at 3"; 3. Johan Museeuw; 4. Gino De Backer; 5. Adrie van der Poel (Ned); 6. Johan Capiot; 7. Hendrik Redant; 8. Danny Neskens; 9. Wilfried Peeters; 10. Chris Scharmin; 11. Asiat Saitov (Rus); 12. Rolf Sörensen (Den); 13. Frank Hoste; 14. Patrick Verschueren; 15. Nico Verhoeven (Ned); 16. Roger Van den Bossche; 17. Davide Cassani (Ita); 18. Corné van Rijen (Ned); 19. Koen Vekemans; 20. Marc Sergeant; 21. Herman Frison; 22. Henk Woltman (Ned); 23. Olaf Ludwig (Dui); 24. Peter Huyghe; 25. Luc Govaerts; 26. Lorenzo Lapage; 27. Frank Pirard (Ned); 28. Eddy Planckaert; 29. Kenneth Weltz (Den); 30. Jean-Marie Vernie; 31. Giovanni Fidanza (Ita); 32. Stefan Van Leeuwe; 33. Luc Desmet; 34. Willem Wijnant; 35. Jan Bogaert; 36. Rudy Patry; 37. Ad Wijnands (Ned); 38. Rudy Rogiers; 39. Jacques van der Poel (Ned); 40. Martin Schalkers (Ned); 41. Sergio Finazzi (Ita); 42. Rik Van Slycke; 43. Valerio Piva (Ita); 44. Guy Nulens; 45. Jelle Nijdam (Ned); 46. Johan Capiot; 47. Ludo Peeters; 48. Danny Lippens; 49. Marc Dierickx; 50. Rodolfo Massi (Ita); 51. Alan Peiper (Aus); 52. Herminio Diaz Zabala (Spa); 53. Norman Alvis (Usa); 54. Gerrit Solleveld (Ned); 55. Tom Cordes (Ned); 56. Ludo De Keulenaer; 57. Mauro Antonio Santaromita (Ita); 58. Massimiliano Lelli (Ita); 59. Steve Bauer (Can); 60. Noël Segers; 61. Adri Kools (Ned); 62. Ronny Van Hohen; 63. Gert Jakobs (Ned); 64. Edwig Van Hooydonck; 65. Frank Francken; 66. Johnny Macharis; 67. Peter De Clercq.



John Talen
(°Meppel 18-01-1965)

was one of the better Dutch professional riders and rode for Peter Post's Panasonic team for several years (1987-1990). After that, he rode for PDM (1991-92), TVM (1993) and Mercatone Uno (1994-95). He then continued his career with smaller continental teams until 2002. The Scheldeprijs, Dwars door België (1988) and the Grand Prix Cerami (1988) were his greatest victories. He also became world team time trial champion as an amateur in 1986 (along with Rob Harmeling, Tom Cordes and Gerrit de Vries).

René Vermeiren



79th SCHELDEPRIJS

April 24

He came, he saw, he won! Just like a hurricane, Super Mario passed in front of Schoten City Hall where he gave his 54 rivals not even a chance to defeat him. Thanks to the Italian superstar' famous sprint, organizer Hector Jansen was the happiest man. Everybody indeed wanted to have that name in the palmares of his race.

191 riders took the start of the race in the morning. The big circuit (173km) went through Herentals, Aarschot, Heist-op-den-Berg and several breakaways took place but in the last of the three local lap, everything was packed together again and the race finished with a massive sprint which permits an Italian rider to win the race for the very first time.

ROADMAP

Schoten, Pulderbos, Broechem, Nijlen, Herentals, Olen, Herselt, Schoonhovendreef, Tielt-Winge, Houwaertseberg, Rotselaar, Tremelo, Heist-op-den-Berg, Herenthout, Ranst, 'sGravenwezel, Schoten and 2,5 local laps. Total 205 km.

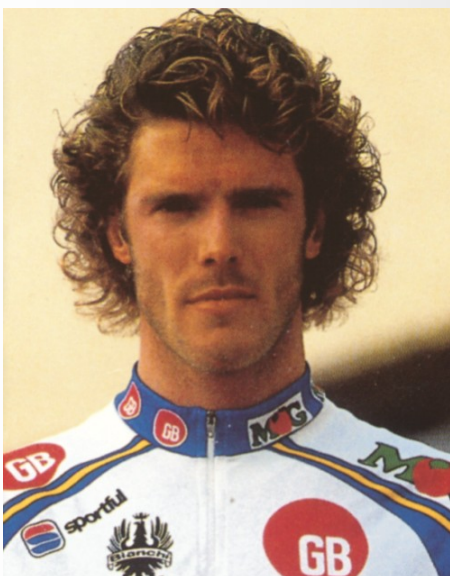


RESULT

191 participants

1. Mario Cipollini (Ita), 205 km in 4h29m (46,240 km/h); 2. Jan Bogaert; 3. Johan Capiot; 4. Johan Museeuw; 5. Carlo Bomans; 6. John Talen (Ned); 7. Benny Vanbrabant; 8. Marnix Lameire; 9. Willy Willems; 10. Edwin Bafcop; 11. Olaf Ludwig (Dui); 12. Uwe Raab (Dui); 13. Eddy Schurer (Ned); 14. Gino De Backer; 15. Johan Devos;

16. Peter Pieters (Ned); 17. Michel Zanoli (Ned); 18. John Tomac (Usa); 19. Kees Hopmans (Ned); 20. Danny Neskens; 21. Etienne De Wilde; 22. Franck Boucanville (Fra); 23. Wilfried Nelissen; 24. Didier Priem; 25. Alain Van den Bossche; 26. Henk Woltman (Ned); 27. Jan Van Camp; 28. Dirk Demol; 29. Marc Siemons (Ned); 30. Vincente Prado (Spa); 31. Casimiro Moreda (Spa); 32. Eric Vanderaerden; 33. Wiebren Veenstra (Ned); 34. Ivan Romanov (Rus); 35. Patrick Van Roosbroeck; 36. Peter Huyghe; 37. Vincent Lavenu (Fra); 38. Bart Leysen; 39. Hans Kindberg (Zwe); 40. Marc Sergeant; 41. Lorenzo Lapage; 42. Martin Schalkers (Ned); 43. Roger Van den Bossche; 44. Rudy Dhaenens; 45. Jean-Paul van Poppel (Ned); 46. X; 47. Jean-Marie Wampers; 48. Peter Naessens; 49. Fabio Roscioli (Ita); 50. Wilfried Peeters; 51. Jerry Cooman; 52. Jan Goessens; 53. Rob Roll (Usa); 54. Laurent Madouas (Fra); 55. Rik Van Slycke; 56. Fabrice Naessens; 57. Peter Roes; 58. Peter Gansler (Dui); 59. Peter De Clercq; 60. Norman Alvis (Usa); 61. Phil Anderson (Aus); 62. Pascal Chanteur (Fra); 63. Klaus De Muyneck; 64. Paul Popp (Oos); 65. Valerio Piva (Ita); 66. Jacques van der Poel (Ned); 67. Frank Pineau (Fra); 68. Rudy Dexters; 69. Petr Privara (Tsj); 70. Erwin Biets; 71. Christian Chaubert (Fra); 72. Rudy Verdonck; 73. Massimiliano Lelli (Ita); 74. Pierre Raas (Ned); 75. Evgueni Antonovitch (Rus); 76. Alexandr Trubine (Rus); 77. Marcel Arntz (Ned); 78. Jelle Nijdam (Ned); 79. Jacques Hanegraaf (Ned); 80. José Oliveira (Spa); 81. Andrei Tchmil (Rus); 82. Eddy Planckaert; 83. Remig Stumpf (Dui); 84. Peter Verbeke; 85. Marc van Orsouw (Ned); 86. Thomas Barth (Dui); 87. Marc Dierickx; 88. Andy Bishop (Usa); 89. Hans Lienhart (Oos); 90. Thierry Bock (Bel); 91. Dag-Otto Lauritzen (Noo); 92. Eric Van Lancker; 93. Colin Sturgess (Gbr); 94. Zenon Jaskula (Pol); 95. John Vos (Ned); 96. X; 97. Luc Colyn; 98. Youri Perunovski (Rus); 99. Uwe Ampler (Dui); 100. Peter Farazijn; 101. Patrick Roelandt; 102. Frank Hoste; 103. Patrick Deneut; 104. Andrei Sitnov (Rus); 105. Jan Wijnants; 106. Dean Woods (Gbr); 107. Andreas Kappes (Dui); 108. Sean Kelly (Ier); 109. Sebastien Flicher (Fra); 110. Noël Segers; 111. Martial Gayant (Fra); 112. Corné van Rijen (Ned); 113. Ronny Van Holen; 114. Sören Lilholt (Den); 115. Paul Haghedooren; 116. Victor Axemenkov (Rus); 117. Danusz Kajzer (Dui); 118. Falk Boden (Dui); 119. Giorgio Furlan (Ita); 120. Brian-Holm Sorensen (Den); 121. Alois Pfleger (Oos); 122. Luca Gelfi (Ita); 123. Tom Cordes (Ned); 124. Koen Van Roey; 125. Roberto Sierra (Spa); 126. Peter Van Brecht; 127. Javier Duch (Spa); 128. Ludo Giesberts; 129. Oleg Jarochenko (Rus); 130. Ludek Stycks (Tsj); 131. Alberto Elli (Ita); 132. Franco Chioccoli (Ita); 133. Benjamin Van Isterbeek; 134. Constantin Bankin (Rus); 135. Stefan Räkera (Ned); 136. Marco Lietti (Ita); 137. Michel Dernies; 138. Ludwig Willems; 139. Frans Maassen (Ned); 140. Alain Laeremans; 141. Maarten Ducrot (Ned); 142. Gert Jakobs (Ned); 143. Adri Kools (Ned); 144. Gerard Veldscholten (Ned); 145. Adrie van der Poel (Ned); 146. Gerrit Solleveld (Ned); 147. Francesco Cesarini (Ita); 148. Koen Vekemans; 149. Rolf Sörensen (Den); 150. Fabio Baldato (Ita); 151. X; 152. Maurizio Fondriest (Ita); 153. Nathan Dahlberg (Nzl); 154. Frank Van Himst; 155. John Carles (Den).



Mario Cipollini (°Luca 22.03.1967)

A famous Italian cycling journalist wrote in the Gazzetta dello Sport that he was the Italian. *Super-Mario, Re Leone*, is one of the most colorful champions which ever existed in cycling. During and out of the competitions, his personality was a very special one, somebody different and attracting everybody's attention at any time. *Cipo* turned a professional in 1989 and he remained in the category till 2005. He became World champion in Zolder in 2002, Italian champion in 1996, won Ghent-Wevelgem in '92-93-2002, Milano-Sanremo in 2002, the Scheldeprijs in 1991 and 1993, the E3-Prijs Harelbeke 1993, the GP Van Steenbergen 1993 and all the Italian Classics. He won stages in all the stage races. He won 42 stages in the Giro, a record that will maybe

never be beaten. He took part six times in the Tour de France and won 12 stages; in the Vuelta he scored 6. He won a total of 193 races on the road.

René Vermeiren



80th SCHELDEPRIJS

April 22

With amongst others world champion Gianni Bugno at the start in Schoten, the 173-riders bunch is made up of very good riders. The race is a very fast one and massive sprint cannot be avoided. Johan Museeuw gives for a long time the impression nobody is able to defeat him but in the last meters, Wilfried Nelissen takes the advantage. 21 years old rider from Limburg wins his first top race.

ROADMAP

Schoten, Pulderbos, Broechem, Nijlen, Herentals, Olen, Herselt, Schoonhovendreef, Tielt-Winge, Houwaertseberg, Rotselaar, Tremelo, Heist-op-den-Berg, Herenthout, Ranst, 's-Gravenwezel, Schoten (172 km) and three local laps of 12 km, total 208 km.



Photo François Buysens

RESULT

173 participants

1. Wilfried Nelissen, 204 km in 4h42m (44,250 km/h); 2. Johan Museeuw; 3. Michel Cornelisse (Ned); 4. Jean-Pierre Heynderickx; 5. Johan Capiot; 6. Etienne De Wilde; 7. Giovanni Fidanza (Ita); 8. Wiebren Veenstra (Ned); 9. Benny Vanbrabant; 10. Alain Van den Bossche; 11. Adrie van der Poel (Ned); 12. Nico Verhoeven (Ned); 13. Johnny Dauwe; 14. Jan Bogaert; 15. Mario De Clercq; 16. Patrick Schoovaerts; 17. Raimund Lehnert (Dui); 18. Jean-Paul van Poppel (Ned); 19. Willy Willems; 20. Theo Akkermans (Ned); 21. Falk Boden (Dui); 22. Johan Devos; 23. Adriano Baffi (Ita); 24. Peter De Frenne; 25. Henk Woltman (Ned); 26. Kees Hopmans (Ned); 27. Eddy Schurer (Ned); 28. Rober van der Vin (Ned); 29. Peter Spaenhoven; 30. Youri Manuylov (Rus); 31. Kai Hundertmark (Dui); 32. Franco Ballerini (Ita); 33. Luc Dierickx; 34. Naglius Ciplijauskas (Lit); 35. Peter Pieters (Ned); 36. Jan Van Camp; 37. Lorenzo Lapage; 38. Jean-Marie Wampers; 39. Willem Peeters; 40. Romes Gaietdinov (Rus); 41. Hendrik Redant; 42. Peter Naessens; 43. Pascal Elaut; 44. Patrik Strouken (Ned); 45. Bruno Cenghialta (Ita); 46. Arsenio Gonzales (Spa); 47. Andre Bo Namtvedt (Noo); 48. Arunas Cepele (Lit); 49. Eros Poli (Ita); 50. Peter Farazijn; 51. Tom Cordes (Ned); 52. Jonas Romanovas (Lit); 53. Mario Kummer (Dui); 54. Sean Yates (Gbr); 55. Raimondas Kiselius (Lit); 56. Chris Peers; 57. Michel Zanolli (Ned); 58. Gerd Dorich (Dui); 59. Markus Hess (Dui); 60. Andrea Klaus (Dui); 61. Johan Verstrepen; 62. Kurt Onclin; 63. Patrick Van Roosbroeck; 64. Mindaugas Umaras (Lit); 65. Luc Colyn; 66. Vjatcheslav Ekimov (Rus); 67. Erwin Biets; 68. Dag-Otto Lauritzen (Noo); 69. Ronny Van Holen; 70. Marc Van Orsouw (Ned); 71. Andrei Tchmil (Rus); 72. Miguel Arroyo (Spa); 73. Alberto Volpi (Ita); 74. Vadim Kravtchenko (Rus); 75. Jesper Skibby (Den); 76. Johnny Macharis; 77. Rik Van Slycke; 78. Paul Willerton (Usa); 79. Louis de Koning (Ned); 80. Toine Poels (Ned); 81. Jerry Cooman; 82. Jens Heppner (Dui); 83. Norman Alvis (Usa); 84. Gerrit de Vries (Ned); 85. Peter Roes; 86. Maurizio Fondriest (Ita); 87. Martien Kokkelkoren (Ned); 88. Ad Wijnands (Ned); 89. Marc Sergeant; 90. Arturis Kasputis (Lit); 91. Eddy Bouwmans (Ned); 92. Bjarne Riis (Den); 93. Bernd Gröne (Dui); 94. Willem-Jan van Loenhout (Ned); 95. Jan Schur (Dui); 96. Rudy Verdonck; 97. Dirk Demol; 98. Rolf Järmann (Zwi); 99. Eric Van Lancker; 100. Gianni Bugno (Ita); 101. Remig Stumpf (Dui); 102. Bart Leysen; 103. Jochen Gorgen (Dui); 104. Patrick Deneut; 105. Danny In 't Ven; 106. Herman Frison; 107. Guido Eckelbeck (Dui); 108. Uwe Nepp (Dui); 109. Uwe Ampler (Dui); 110. Corneille Daems; 111. Thomas Barth (Dui); 112. Dimitri Konyshev (Rus); 113. Patrick Dewael; 114. Giorgio Furlan (Ita); 115. Tristan Hoffman (Ned); 116. Davide Cassani (Ita); 117. Vincente Prado (Spa); 118. Benjamin Van Isterbeek; 119. Ludwig Willems; 120. Danny Neskens; 121. Nigel Perry (Gbr); 122. Patrick Jacobs; 123. Wim Van Eynde; 124. Gerrit Solleveld (Ned); 125. Ivan Gotti (Ita); 126. Tom Desmet; 127. Abelardo Rondon (Col); 128. Frans Maassen (Ned); 129. Heinz Imboden (Zwi); 130. Peter Huyghe; 131. Franky Andreu (Usa); 132. Steven Bauer (Can); 133. Peter De Clercq; 134. Jan Mattheus; 135. Rik Coppens; 136. Rudy Vingerhoets; 137. Javier Duch (Spa); 138. Chris Walker (Gbr); 139. Mark Siemons (Ned); 140. Andy Bishop (Usa); 141. Adri Kools (Ned); 142. Jos Elen (Ned); 143. Robert Matwew (Dui); 144. Wim Lambrechts.



Wilfried Nelissen

(°Tongeren 05.05.1970)

Wilfried was one of the fastest riders of his generation. He turned a professional in '91 and won many races during his career: the Scheldeprijs in '92, the Het Volk Circuit and the 2nd stage of the Tour in '93. Wilfried won the Belgian Championship in '94 and '95. In '96 fate decreed things should be different. In the first part of Ghent-Wevelgem, Wilfried collided with a pole along the road. He broke his knee, his thighbone and also his tibia. After that he was never able to reach the same level again and in '98 he decided to stop his career.

René Vermeiren



81st SCHELDEPRIJS

April 21

189 riders take the start but only one, Russian Rus Dimitri Zhdanov is able to go in the break and increase the gap with the main pack: 6'25" in Viersel (km 140). When the riders cross Schoten finish line for the first time, the gap still reaches 2'40" but the bunch catches the breaker at the beginning of the third and last local lap. No other attack occurs and Johan Museeuw prepares the sprint for Cipollini who easily wins the race.

ROADMAP

Schoten, Pulderbos, Broechem, Nijlen, Herentals, Olen, Herselt, Schoonhovendreef, Tielt-Winge, Houwaertseberg, Rotselaar, Tremelo, Heist-op-den-Berg, Herenthout, Ranst, 's-Gravenwezel, Schoten (172 km) and three local laps of 12 km, total 208 km.



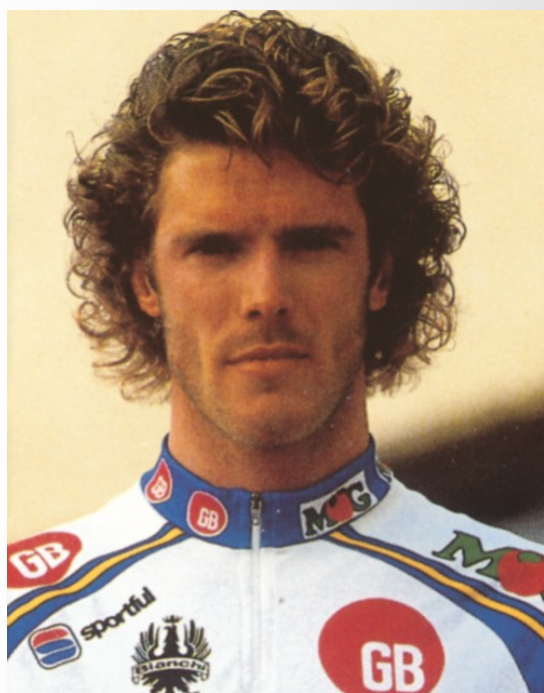
Photo François Buysens

RESULT

186 participants

1. Mario Cipollini (Ita), 208 km in 5h08m03s (40,519 km/h); 2.⁽¹⁾; 3. Giuseppe Citterio (Ita); 4. Jaan Kirsipuu (Est); 5. Michel Zanoli (Ned); 6. Jelle Nijdam (Ned); 7. Johnny Dauwe; 8. Johan Capiot; 9. Frédéric Moncassin (Fra); 10. Alain Van den Bossche; 11. Peter De Clercq; 12. Adriano Baffi (Ita); 13. Mario De Clercq; 14. Eric Vanderaerden; 15. Wiebren Veenstra (Ned); 16. Vjatcheslav Ekimov (Rus); 17. Jean-Pierre Heynderickx; 18. Nico Verhoeven (Ned); 19. Jean-Paul van Poppel (Ned); 20. Jocelyn Jolidon (Zwi); 21. Phil Anderson (Aus); 22. Luc Dierickx; 23. Mathieu Hermans (Ned); 24. Jo Planckaert; 25. Tom Desmet; 26. Theo Akkermans (Ned); 27. Jan Van Camp; 28. Rober van der Vin (Ned); 29. Nate Reiss (Usa); 30. Bart Leysen; 31. Michel Cornelisse (Ned); 32. Hendrik Redant; 33. Olaf Ludwig (Dui); 34. Johan Museeuw; 35. Peter Pieters (Ned); 36. Jan Bogaert; 37. Danny Daelman; 38. Danny Van Looy; 39. Wim Omloop; 40. Johan Verstrepen; 41. Rudy Vingerhoets; 42. Tristan Hoffman (Ned); 43. Scott Sunderland (Aus); 44. Kees Hopmans (Ned); 45. Bjorn Stenersen (Noo); 46. Eddy Schurer (Ned); 47. Christian Chaubet (Fra); 48. Marc Sergeant; 49. Menno Vink (Ned); 50. Niels Bogaard (Ned); 51. Patrick Deneut; 52. Dimitri Nelubin (Rus); 53. Dick Enthoven (Ned); 54. Jacques Hanegraaf (Ned); 55. Fabio Casartelli (Ita); 56. Pascal Elaut; 57. Marc van Orsouw (Ned); 58. John Talen (Ned); 59. Willem-Jan van Loenhout (Ned); 60. Erik Zabel (Dui); 61. Wilco Zuijderwijk (Ned); 62. Andreas Kappes (Dui); 63. Mario Kummer (Dui); 64. Edwin Bafcop; 65. Andy Bishop (Usa); 66. Michel Vermote; 67. Johan De Vos; 68. Hans De Clercq; 69. Stéphane Hennebert; 70. Jerry Cooman; 71. Stefan Van Leeuwe; 72. Hans De Meester; 73. Miguel Arroyo (Spa); 74. Jean-Pierre Delphis (Fra); 75. Mauro Ribiero (Bra); 76. René Foucachon (Fra); 77. Oleg Kozlitrine (Rus); 78. Patrick Dewael; 79. Johan Remels; 80. Peter Van Petegem; 81. Sammie Moreels; 82. Bart Bowen (Usa); 83. Bernd Gröne (Dui); 84. Etienne De Wilde; 85. Gino Van Hooydonck; 86. Jan Mattheus; 87. Patrick Van Roosbroeck; 88. Giorgio Furlan (Ita); 89. Frans Maassen (Ned); 90. Eric Van Lancker; 91. Peter De Frenne; 92. Guy Nulens; 93. Noël Segers; 94. Davide Cassani (Ita); 95. Gert-Jan Theunisse (Ned); 96. Gianni Bugno (Ita); 97. Jos van Aert (Ned); 98. Eddy Bouwmans (Ned); 99. Mario Scirea (Ita); 100. Wanderly Magelhaes (Bra); 101. Daniel Hirs (Zwi); 102. Edwig Van Hooydonck; 103. Dirk Friel (Usa).

⁽¹⁾ *Wilfried Nelissen, 2nd, disqualified for doping*



Mario Cipollini

(°Luca 22.03.1967)

Cipo turned a professional in 1989 and did not stop his career before 2005. Mario, an extraordinary athlete, is one of the fastest sprinters ever. He became world champion in Zolder in 2002, Champion of Italy in 2006, won Ghent-Wevelgem in '92-93-2002, Milano-Sanremo in 2002, the Scheldeprijs in 1991 and 1993, the E3-Prijs Harelbeke 1993, the GP Van Steenberghe 1993 and every possible Italian half classic. He also won 42 stages in the Giro, of course a record. He took six times part in the Tour de France and won 12 stages in the French race. He won a total of 193 races on the road during his career.

René Vermeiren



82nd SCHELDEPRIJS

April 13

149 riders take the start of the 82nd Scheldeprijs that was upgraded to the first category. A group of ten cyclists goes in the lead in the final. At 15 km from the finish, Peter Van Petegem representing the humble team Trident goes in the break on his own. He is racing his third season like a professional cyclist but he has won no race till that day. He fights against the wind and the cold weather but despite of those difficult circumstances he is able to resist and win the race. Dirk De Wolf hammers his handlebar in frustration when he takes two...

ROADMAP

Schoten, Pulderbos, Herentals, Olen, Herselt, Aarschot, Schoonhovendreef, Rillaar, Tielt-Winge, Houwaertseberg, Rotselaar, Tremelo, Heist-op-den-Berg, Herenthout, Nijlen, Zandhoven, Schilde, 's-Gravenwezel, Schoten (167 km) and three local laps of 12 km.

Total 203 km.



RESULT

149 participants

1. Peter Van Petegem, 203 km in 4h44m (42,887 km/h); 2. Dirk De Wolf at 6"; 3. Djamolidine Abdoujaparov (Oez) at 14"; 4. Adriano Baffi (Ita); 5. Jelle Nijdam (Ned) at 15"; 6. Hendrik Redant; 7. Michel Cornelisse (Ned); 8. Silvio Martinello (Ita); 9. Michel Vanhaecke; 10. Wim Omloop; 11. Chris Peers; 12. Frank Vandenbroucke; 13. Servais Knaven (Ned) at 26"; 14. Peter Spaenhoven at 46"; 15. Jo Planckaert;
16. Gert Vanbrabant; 17. Wim Feys at 1'07"; 18. Rik Van Slycke at 1'08"; 19. Adrie van der Poel (Ned); 20. Geert Van Bondt at 1'14"; 21. Frank Corvers at 2'50"; 22. Mario De Clercq; 23. Peter Naessens; 24. Patrick Van Roosbroeck; 25. Theo Akkermans (Ned); 26. Louis de Koning (Ned); 27. Wim Vervoort; 28. Ludo Dierckxsens; 29. Andrea Peron (Ita); 30. Martin van Steen (Ned); 31. Yvon Ledanois (Fra); 32. Emmanuel Magnien (Fra); 33. Tom Desmet; 34. Jacky Durand (Fra); 35. Peter De Clercq; 36. Marc Patry; 37. Danny Daelman; 38. Thomas Davy (Fra); 39. Heinrich Trumheller (Dui); 40. Alain Van der Borgh; 41. Jos van Aert (Ned); 42. Guy Nulens; 43. Wanderley Magelhaes (Bra); 44. Herman Frison; 45. Mario Cippolini (Ita) 2:58; 46. Marco Saligari (Ita) at 3'; 47. Johan Capiot; 48. Asiat Saitov (Rus) at 9'32"; 49. Sean Way (Gbr); 50. Marty Jemison (Usa); 51. Dimitri Nelubin (Rus); 52. Bernardo Gonzalez (Spa); 53. Jocelyn Jolidon (Zwi); 54. Dominiek Krieger (Dui); 55. Jerry Cooman; 56. Rudi Vingerhoets; 57. Stéphane Rubio (Fra); 58. Hans De Meester; 59. Gino Primo; 60. Glenn Huybrechts; 61. Kurt Van Lancker; 62. Bart Heirewegh; 63. Raymond Meys (Ned); 64. Daisuke Imanaka (Jpn); 65. Michel Nottebaert; 66. Andrzej Sypytkowski (Pol); 67. Serguei Utchakov (Oek); 68. Davide Rebellin (Ita); 69. Bart Voskamp (Ned); 70. Jeroen Blijlevens (Ned); 71. Rob Mulders (Ned); 72. Willy Willems; 73. Jens Heppner (Dui); 74. Gerd Audehm (Dui); 75. Rolf Aldag (Dui); 76. Udo Bolts (Dui); 77. Frank van Veenendaal (Ned); 78. Tristan Hoffman (Ned); 79. Georg Totschnig (Oos); 80. Ivan Gotti (Ita); 81. Danny Van Looy; 82. Nestor Mora (Col); 83. Oscar Pellicoli (Ita); 84. Gerrit de Vries (Ned); 85. Genaro Prego (Spa); 86. Kurt Van de Wouwer; 87. Jan Van Doninck; 88. Dimitri Zdanov (Rus); 89. Frédéric Moncassin (Fra); 90. Daniël Verelst; 91. Philippe Gaumont (Fra); 92. Armand De las Cuevas (Fra); 93. Donald Powell (Usa); 94. Erwin Thijs; 95. Niko Eeckhout; 96. Gabriele Rampollo (Ita).



Peter Van Petegem (°Opbrakel 18.01.1970)

The *zwarte van Brakel* as he was nicknamed was one of the best classics riders of his generation. He turned a professional rider in 1992 but he had a difficult start. In 1994 his career was very close to come to an end when he finally found an employment in the humble team Trident. Peter won then the Scheldeprijs and that saved his career. He after that won the Omloop Het Volk in '97, '98 and 2002, the Tour of Flanders in '99 and 2003, Paris-Roubaix in 2003, the Three Days of De Panne in '99 and 2002, Kuurne-Brussels-Kuurne in 2001, the E3-Prize Harelbeke in '99 and the GP d'Isbergues in 2000 and 2001. Peter decided to stop his beautiful and successful career in 2007.

René Vermeiren



83rd SCHELDEPRIJS

April 19

An international bunch with 183 riders was at the start of the race in Schoten. But obviously this was not sufficient to guarantee an animated and top level race.

It looked like Peter Roes and Rossano Brasi were the only riders who wanted to try and do something. They attacked after only 15 km. The maximum gap with the bunch reached ... 20 minutes! When the bunch crossed the finishing line for the first time it was still 7'35" late. The gap was sufficient for the breakers. And indeed their advantage still reached 2'30" at the beginning of the last lap. The Italian attacked at 3 km from the line and his former breakaway-mate was not able to follow him.

ROADMAP

Schoten, Herentals, Herselt, Aarschot, Schoonhovendreef, Rilaar, Tielt-Winge, Houwaertseberg, Rotselaar, Heist-op-den-Berg, Herenthout, Nijlen, Pulderbos, Zandhoven, Schilde, 'sGravenwezel, Schoten (173 km) and three local laps of 12 km, 209 km total.



Photo Cor Vos



To the left Peter Roes, to the right Rossano Brasi

RESULT

183 participants

1. Rossano Brasi (Ita), 209 km in 4h58m15s (42,120 km/h); 2. Peter Roes at 39";
3. Giovanni Fidanza (Ita) at 1'22"; 4. Eric Vanderaerden; 5. Djamolidine Abdoujaparov (Oez); 6. Wiebren Veenstra (Ned); 7. Peter Van Petegem; 8. Hendrik Redant; 9. Erik Zabel (Dui); 10. Wilfried Nelissen; 11. Giovanni Lombardi (Ita); 12. Frédéric Moncassin (Fra); 13. Fabio Roscioli (Ita); 14. Ludo Dierckxsens; 15. Adriano Baffi (Ita);
16. Sven Teutenberg (Dui); 17. Mario Cipolini (Ita); 18. Olivier Vanconingsloo; 19. Gianluca Pianegonda (Ita); 20. Mario Scirea (Ita); 21. Uwe Raab (Dui); 22. Stefano Zanatta (Ita); 23. Paolo Fornaciari (Ita); 24. Marc Patry; 25. Gianluca Gorini (Ita); 26. Geert Van Bondt; 27. Axel Merckx; 28. Roberto Pelliconi (Ita); 29. Dirk Baldinger (Dui); 30. Bart Leysen; 31. Mirco Crepaldi (Ita); 32. Silvio Martinello (Ita); 33. Tom Steels; 34. Mario De Clercq; 35. Cezary Zamana (Pol); 36. Jo Planckaert; 37. Johan Capiot; 38. John Talen (Ned); 39. Jaan Kirsipuu (Est); 40. Nico Verhoeven (Ned); 41. Wim Omloop; 42. Marc Streel; 43. Michel Zanoli (Ned); 44. Hans De Clercq; 45. Max van Heeswijk (Ned); 46. Sean Yates (Gbr); 47. Frank Hoj (Den); 48. Fabio Baldato (Ita); 49. Wilfried Peeters; 50. Patrick Dewael; 51. Marco Lietti (Ita); 52. Hans De Meester; 53. John van den Akker (Ned); 54. Mariano Piccoli (Ita); 55. Nigel Perry (Gbr); 56. Jan Van Camp; 57. Wim Feys; 58. Raymond Meys (Ned); 59. Ben Luckwell (Gbr); 60. Stephen Swart (Nzl); 61. Herman Frison; 62. Jim Van de Laer; 63. Patrick Van Roosbroeck; 64. X; 65. Rudi Vingerhoets; 66. X; 67. Guy Nulens; 68. Jesper Skibby (Den); 69. Peter Spaenhoven; 70. Steve Bauer (Can); 71. Frans Maassen (Ned); 72. Rik Van Slycke; 73. Marco Saligari (Ita); 74. Max Sciandri (Gbr); 75. Leon van Bon (Ned); 76. Eros Poli (Ita); 77. Peter Van Brecht; 78. Rolf Sörensen (Den); 79. Mario Kummer (Dui); 80. Bernd Gröne (Dui); 81. Davide Cassani (Ita); 82. Frank Corvers; 83. Olaf Ludwig (Dui); 84. Jean-Pierre Heynderickx; 85. Peter De Clercq; 86. Marc Sergeant.



Rossano Brasi (°Bergamo 03.06.1972)

In the youth categories, Brasi was a very talented time trial specialist. In 1993 he won the amateur team time trial world title (with Contri, Salvato and Fina). In '94 he turned a professional with team Polti. He remained in that same team till 2000. He won only two races in that period: the Scheldeprijs in 1995 and the Cyclassics Hamburg (then still Hamburg-Rundfahrt, a category 1.5 race) in 1996. He took part in five Tour de France (95-96-97-98-99) where his best classification was an 82nd place in 1998.

René Vermeiren



84th SCHELDEPRIJS

April 24

For the first time since 1944, the Scheldeprijs did not start from Schoten but from Antwerp Great Market Square. 22 riders went in a break after 25 km only. And that was already the winning break! VDB attacked at 18 km from the finish and nobody was able to bridge the gap with Frankie-boy, the international cycling rising star. He achieved the perfect race and team-mate Tom Steels beat Eric Vanderaerden for the second place.

ROADMAP

Antwerp Great Market Square, neutralized run-up of 9 km, official flying start in Schoten, next Herentals, Herselt, Aarschot, Schoonhovendreef, Rilaar, Tielt-Winge, Houwaertseberg, Rotselaar, Heist-op-den-Berg, Herenthout, Nijlen, Pulderbos, Zandhoven, Schilde, 's-Gravenwezel, Schoten (172 km) and three local laps of 12 km. Total 208 km.



Photo Cor Vos

RESULT

181 participants

1. Frank Vandenbroucke, 208 km in 4h30m49s (45,761 km/h); 2. Tom Steels at 2"; 3. Eric Vanderaerden; 4. Jan Svorada (Svk); 5. Erik Zabel (Dui); 7. Mauro Bettin (Ita); 8. Johan Verstrepen; 9. Wilfried Peeters; 10. Mario De Clercq; 11. Johan Museeuw; 12. Bo Hamburger (Den); 13. Adrie van der Poel (Ned); 14. Rolf Aldag (Dui); 15. Stefano Zanini (Ita); 16. Frédéric Guesdon (Fra); 17. Kurt Van Lancker; 18. Adriano Baffi (Ita); 19. Serguei Ouslamin (Rus); 20. Ermanno Brignoli (Ita); 21. Zbigniew Spruch (Pol) at 25"; 22. Leon van Bon (Ned) at 9'56"; 23. Stefano Colagè (Ita); 24. Fabrizio Bontempi (Ita); 25. Marc Streel; 26. John van den Akker (Ned); 27. Gert Vanderaerden; 28. Jürgen Werner (Dui); 29. Hendrik Redant; 30. Jean-Pierre Heynderickx; 31. Mike Weismann (Dui); 32. Andreas Klier (Dui); 33. Jaan Kirsipuu (Est); 34. Dariusz Baranowski (Pol); 35. Ronny Assez; 36. Bart Leysen; 37. Michel Vanhaecke; 38. Aleksei Nakazny (Oek); 39. Paul Van Hyfte; 40. Peter Naessens; 41. Marco Della Vedova (Ita); 42. Christophe Detilloux; 43. Eric De Clercq; 44. Bart Heirewegh; 45. Mario Moermans; 46. Andy Missotten; 47. Jan Van Camp; 48. Malcolm Lange (Zaf); 49. Danny Daelman; 50. Rossano Brasi (Ita); 51. Pascal Chanteur (Fra); 52. Jens Zemke (Dui); 53. Gert Vanbrabant; 54. Peter Spaenhoven; 55. Johnny van Cadsand (Ned); 56. Steven de Jongh (Ned); 57. Wim Feys; 58. Peter Wuyts; 59. Andrew Roche (Gbr); 60. Finn O'Sullivan (Ier); 61. Kiril Pospeev (Oek); 62. Karl Pauwels; 63. Gerrit de Vries (Ned); 64. Lucien de Louw (Ned); 65. Christophe Mengin (Fra); 66. Nico Renders; 67. Jan Poppe; 68. Kurt Van de Wouwer; 69. Sebastien Van den Abeele; 70. Wim Omloop; 71. Erik Dekker (Ned); 72. Mirco Crepaldi (Ita); 73. Peter Meinert (Den); 74. Olivier Matthijs; 75. Zenon Jaskula (Pol); 76. Luca Gelfi (Ita); 77. Mauro Santaromita (Ita); 78. Marco Velo (Ita); 79. Dirk Baldinger (Dui); 80. Patrick Dewael; 81. Tristan Hoffman (Ned); 82. Mario Kummer (Dui); 83. Ludwig Willems; 84. Marcel Luppès (Ned); 85. Kai Hundertmark (Dui); 86. Dario Bottaro (Ita); 87. Felice Puttini (Zwi); 88. Andrea Brognara (Ita); 89. Andy De Smet; 90. Rosario Fina (Ita); 91. Steffen Wesemann (Dui); 92. Rik Claeys; 93. Ivan Cerioli (Ita); 94. Manuel Scopsi (Ita); 95. Geert Van Bondt; 96. Peter Van Petegem.



Frank Vandenbroucke

(°Moescron 06.11.1974 - +Saly/Sénégal 12.10.2009)

Frank, nicknamed *VDB*, had everything: talent to spare, panache, self-confidence, the perfect body, absolutely everything; but it was perhaps too much for one person. In 1991, he won the Belgian Championship for beginners and he won the same title one year later, in 1992, in the junior category. He turned a professional in 1994. He won Paris-Brussels in 1995 and the Scheldeprijs in 1996. In 1997, he did the same in Ghent -Wevelgem and Paris-Nice. In 1999, he won Liège-Bastogne-Liège in an inimitable way. He was also the best rider on the occasion of the Het Volk Circuit. Problems then began. He died in Senegal under mysterious circumstances.

René Vermeiren



85th SCHELDEPRIJS

April 23

189 professionals start in the 85th edition. In the last laps Ludo Dierckxsens takes the lead, but in the final tour the peloton catches up with him and Erik Zabel wins the sprint before Johan Museeuw. Zabel is the second German victor (Thurau won in 1978). World champion Johan Museeuw became second for the second time. (2nd in 1992, 3rd in 1990 and 4th in 1991).

ROADMAP

Antwerp, Great Market Square (official start), Schoten (official), Pulderbos, Olen, Aarschot, Schoonhovendreef, Tielt-Winge, Houwaertseberg, Rotselaar, Heist-op-den-Berg, Herenthout, Pulderbos, Zandhoven, Schilde, 's-Gravenwezel, Schoten (166 km) and three local laps of 12 km. Total 202 km.



Photo Cor Vos

RESULT

189 participants

1. Erik Zabel (Dui), 202 km in 4h30m (44,888 km/h); 2. Johan Museeuw; 3. Andrei Tchmil (Oek); 4. Danny Daelman; 5. Jeroen Blijlevens (Ned); 6. Jaan Kirsipuu (Est); 7. Andreas Klier (Dui); 8. Aart Vierhouten (Ned); 9. Mario Traversoni (Ita); 10. Lars Michaelsen (Den); 11. Djamolidine Abdoujaparov (Oez); 12. Arvis Piziks (Let); 13. Ronny Assez; 14. Jo Planckaert; 15. Geert Verheyen; 16. Peter Spaenhoven; 17. Fabiano Fontanelli (Ita); 18. Michel Vanhaecke; 19. David Etxebarria (Spa); 20. Frank Hoj (Den); 21. Nicola Loda (Ita); 22. Johan Capiot; 23. Hendrik Van Dijck; 24. Wim Omloop; 25. Mario Moermans; 26. Dario Pieri (Ita); 27. Wilfried Peeters; 28. Leonardo Guidi (Ita); 29. Giancarlo Raimondi (Ita); 30. Michel Cornelisse (Ned); 31. Sven Teutenberg (Dui); 32. Jan Hordijk (Ned); 33. Kiko Garcia (Spa); 34. Roberto Sierra (Spa); 35. Christophe Detilloux; 36. Erik Dekker (Ned); 37. Chris Peers; 38. Luis-Maria Diaz de Otazu (Spa); 39. Matthew Gilmore (Aus); 40. Nico Mattan; 41. Kees Hopmans (Ned); 42. Mario Aerts; 43. Eddy Torrekens; 44. Tim Lenaers; 45. Koen Van Hullebusch; 46. Ludo Dierckxsens; 47. Dany Baeyens; 48. Dariusz Baranowski (Pol); 49. Andrea Vatteroni (Ita); 50. Giovanni Lombardi (Ita); 51. Rik Van Slycke; 52. Mauro Bettin (Ita); 53. Mario Kummer (Dui); 54. Erwin Thijs; 55. Koos Moerenhout (Ned); 56. Eric De Clercq; 57. Roman Stoffel (Dui); 58. Dario Nicoletti (Ita); 59. Francesco Arazzi (Ita); 60. Ermanno Brignoli (Ita); 61. Gino Verheyden; 62. Stefano Zanini (Ita); 63. Luca Gelfi (Ita); 64. Andrea Brognara (Ita); 65. Luc Roosen; 66. Robbie Van Daele; 67. Jan Poppe; 68. Marco Artunghi (Ita); 69. Magnus Backstedt (Zwe); 70. Michele Zamboni (Ita); 71. Sergio Barbero (Ita); 72. Kurt Van de Wouwer; 73. Stéphane Hennebert; 74. Bart Leysen; 75. Rafael Diaz (Spa); 76. Giuseppe Tartaglia (Ita); 77. Ivan Cerioli (Ita); 78. Adriano Baffi (Ita); 79. Marc Wauters; 80. Ludwig Willems; 81. Felice Puttini (Zwi); 82. Vincent Cali (Fra); 83. Angelo Lecchi (Ita); 84. Patrick Kohler (Dui); 85. Jans Koerts (Ned); 86. Robbie McEwen (Aus); 87. Lauri Aus (Est); 88. Marco Villa (Ita); 89. Brian Holm (Den); 90. Marcel Luppens (Ned); 91. Alex Zulle (Zwi); 92. Tobias Steinhauser (Dui); 93. Bart Heirewegh; 94. Andy Missotten; 95. Franky De Buyst; 96. John van den Akker (Ned); 97. Chris Horner (Usa); 98. Scott Mercier (Usa); 99. Rolf Aldag (Dui); 100. Marcelino Garcia (Spa); 101. Kai Hundertmark (Dui); 102. Jakob Piil (Den); 103. Vital Timmermans (Ned); 104. Amilcare Tronca (Ita); 105. Dario Bottaro (Ita); 106. Marc Streel; 107. Pascal Duez; 108. Michel Cerneus (Ned); 109. Bo Hamburger (Den); 110. John Talen (Ned); 111. Frank Vandenbroucke; 112. Daniele Contrini (Ita); 113. Laurent Jalabert (Fra); 114. Geert Van Bondt; 115. Nico Renders; 116. Tristan Hoffman (Ned); 117. Peter Van Petegem; 118. Tom Desmet; 119. Dominique Bozzi (Fra); 120. Jean-Pierre Heynderickx; 121. Olivier Matthijs; 122. Willy Willems; 123. Philippe Bordenave (Fra); 124. Rafael Hennes (Dui); 125. Max van Heeswijk (Ned); 126. Remigius Lupeikis (Lit); 127. Tomasz Brozyna (Pol); 128. Steffen Wesemann (Dui); 129. Frank Corvers; 130. Jean-Cyril Robin (Fra); 131. Jesper Skibby (Den); 132. Klaus Diewald (Dui); 133. Andrea Stocco (Ita); 134. Fabio Baldato (Ita); 135. Davide Casarotto (Ita); 136. Massimo Appolonio (Ita); 137. Biagio Conte (Ita); 138. Paolo Toffalori (Ita); 139. Franky Van Haesenbroucke; 140. Geert Omloop; 141. Jarno Vanfrachem; 142. Lorenzo Lapage.



Erik Zabel
(°Berlijn 07.07.1970)

Erik is one of the best German cyclists of all time. In 1991 he became professional and his first big win was the victory of Paris-Tours in 1994. Afterwards he remained at the top for over fifteen years. He won Milan-Sanremo four times, Paris-Tours three times and the green jersey in the Tour six times with an impressive total of twelve victories in the Tour overall.

René Vermeiren



86th SCHELDEPRIJS

April 22

Suddenly, after 75 km, 24 riders are able to break away and take a lead of... 18 minutes. The leading group is still splitting, six riders get away.

Ten kilometers before the finish Servais Knaven starts a solo.

The only consolidation for the organization: a big name as winner of this year's Scheldeprijs.

ROADMAP

Antwerp, Great Market Square (official start), Schoten (official start), Schilde, Pulderbos, Grobbendonk, Kasterlee, Geel, Arendonk, Turnhout, Merksplas, Rijkevorsel, Oostmalle, Pulderbos, Schilde, Wijnegem, Schoten (161 km) and three local laps of 14 km, total 203 km

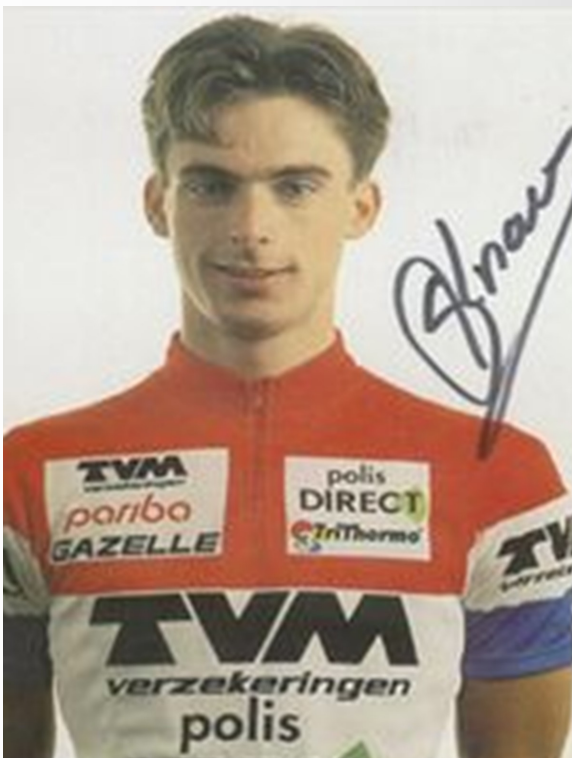


Photo Cor Vos

RESULT

1. Servais Knaven (Ned), 203 km in 4h19m19s (46,969 km/h); 2. Leon van Bon (Ned) at 23"; 3. Bart Leysen; 4. Juris Silovs (Let); 5. Martin van Steen (Ned) at 1'06"; 6. Wim Omloop at 1'10"; 7. Vjatcheslav Ekimov (Rus) at 4'44"; 8. Kurt Van de Wouwer at 4'46"; 9. Christophe Agnolutto (Fra); 10. Dario Pieri (Ita); 11. Nico Mattan; 12. Filippo Casagrande (Ita); 13. Max van Heeswijk (Ned); 14. Aart Vierhouten (Ned); 15. Danny Nelissen (Ned); 16. Nicolai Bo Larsen (Den); 17. Franz Hotz (Zwi); 18. Alexandre Vinokourov (Kaz); 19. Rolf Aldag (Dui); 20. Roger Hammond (Gbr); 21. Valerio Tebaldi (Ita); 22. Steven De Neef; 23. Michael Rosberg (Den).*

**The other riders were taken out of the race due to a too big time gap with the head of the race.*



Servais Knaven (°Lobith 06.03.1971)

Since 1994 Servais has been professional for seventeen years. In his second year he already became Dutch Champion. He wins the Tour of Denmark in 1997. In 1998 the Scheldeprijs. His win in the 2001 edition of Paris-Roubaix is without a doubt the highlight of his career. Two years later he wins the 17th stage in the Tour de France. In his last professional season in 2010 he matches Raymond Impanis' (who also won once, in 1954) record of sixteen starts in Paris-Roubaix.

René Vermeiren



87th SCHELDEPRIJS

April 21

The 87th edition of the Scheldeprijs ended in a mass sprint. In this, Jeroen Blijlevens proved to be the fastest. Yet it was a very close call as his teammate Tristan Hoffman almost beat him to the line. Hoffman attacked hard in the final kilometre and was caught just ten metres from the finish. In the early stages of the race, Bert Roesems rode alone in front and gained a lead that at one point was 6 minutes. Not enough, however, to keep ahead of the sprinters' teams.

ROADMAP Antwerpen, Grote Markt (unofficial start), Schoten (official start), Pulderbos, Kasterlee, Ten Aard-Geel, Arendonk, Turnhout, Merksplas, Rijkevorsel, Oostmalle, Zoersel, Schilde, Wijnegem, Schoten (159 km) and three local laps of 14 km, total 201 km.



Photo Cor Vos

RESULT

187 participants

1. Jeroen Blijlevens, 201 km in 4h35m00s (43,855 km/h); 2. Erik Zabel (Dui); 3. Tristan Hoffman (Ned); 4. Ralf Grabsch (Dui); 5. Jo Planckaert; 6. Juris Silovs (Let); 7. Michel Vanhaecke; 8. Antonino Figura (Ita); 9. Zbigniew Spruch (Pol); 10. Lars Michaelsen (Den); 11. Jans Koerts (Ned); 12. Gabriele Missaglia (Ita); 13. Berry Hoedemakers (Ned); 14. Arvis Piziks (Let); 15. Nico Eeckhout;

16. Glenn Magnusson (Zwe); 17. Chris Peers; 18. Wim Feys; 19. Andy Vidts; 20. Ronny Assez; 21. Peter Wrolich (Oos); 22. Marco Milesi (Ita); 23. Francky Van Haesebroucke; 24. George Hincapie (Usa); 25. Peter Wuyts; 26. Bart Heirewegh; 27. Tom Steels; 28. Christophe Mengin (Fra); 29. Geert Verheyen; 30. Julian Dean (Nzl); 31. Wilfried Cretskens; 32. Alessandro Bertolini (Ita); 33. Bjornar Vestol (Noo); 34. Scott McGrory (Aus); 35. Emmanuel Magnien (Fra); 36. Erik Dekker (Ned); 37. John Talen (Ned); 38. Fausto Dotti (Ita); 39. Leon van Bon (Ned); 40. Giovanni Lombardi (Ita); 41. Jacob-Moe Rasmussen (Den); 42. Dave Bruylandts; 43. Renzo Ragnetti (Ita); 44. Rolf Aldag (Dui); 45. Davy Delmé; 46. Kurt Van de Wouwer; 47. Stig Kristiansen (Noo); 48. Ludo Dierckxsens; 49. Danny Jonasson (Den); 50. Johan De Geyter; 51. Jesper Skibby (Den); 52. Hans De Clercq; 53. Adriano Baffi (Ita); 54. Oscar Mason (Ita); 55. Geert Omloop; 56. Frank Schinck (Dui); 57. Servais Knaven (Ned); 58. Daniele Nardello (Ita); 59. Lance Armstrong (Usa); 60. Johan Museeuw; 61. Wilfried Peeters; 62. Franco Ballerini (Ita); 63. Marco Artunghi (Ita); 64. Ermanno Brignoli (Ita); 65. Steven de Jongh (Ned); 66. Bert Hiemstra (Ned); 67. Raivis Belohvosciks (Let); 68. Glenn D'Hollander; 69. Gianmario Ortenzi (Ita); 70. Marc Wauters; 71. Sergio Barbero (Ita); 72. Karsten Kroon (Ned); 73. Marc Streel; 74. Danilo Hondo (Dui); 75. Kris Gerits; 76. Christian Vande Velde (Usa); 77. Johan Verstrepen; 78. Cyril Saugrain (Fra); 79. Jan Boven (Ned); 80. Steffen Wesemann (Dui); 81. Peter Van Petegem; 82. Tayeb Braikia (Den); 83. Nicolai Bo Larsen (Den); 84. Jurgen Van Roosbroeck; 85. Gianluca Pianegonda (Ita); 86. Wim Omloop; 87. Stéphane Hennebert; 88. Eric De Clercq; 89. Bart Everaert; 90. Mariano Piccoli (Ita); 91. Martin Kryger (Den); 92. Roberto Lochowski (Dui).



Jeroen Blijlevens

(°Gilzerijen 29.12.1971)

was a top sprinter. The tough classics were not for him, although he did win stages in the three grand tours (4 in the Tour, 2 in the Giro and 5 in the Vuelta). His victories included the GP Denain, Nokere Koerse, Veenendaal-Veenendaal and his greatest one-day triumph was in this Scheldeprijs.

René Vermeiren