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Victor Kapitonov

1960 Olympic Champion

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Viktor Arsenevich Kapitonov (1933-2005) of the Soviet Union at the 1960 Games of the XVII Olympiad held in Rome was the gold medalist in the 175-kilometre Individual Road Race, and also the bronze medal in the 100 km team time trial. The Soviet Union was to win five of the total of 18 cycling medals.

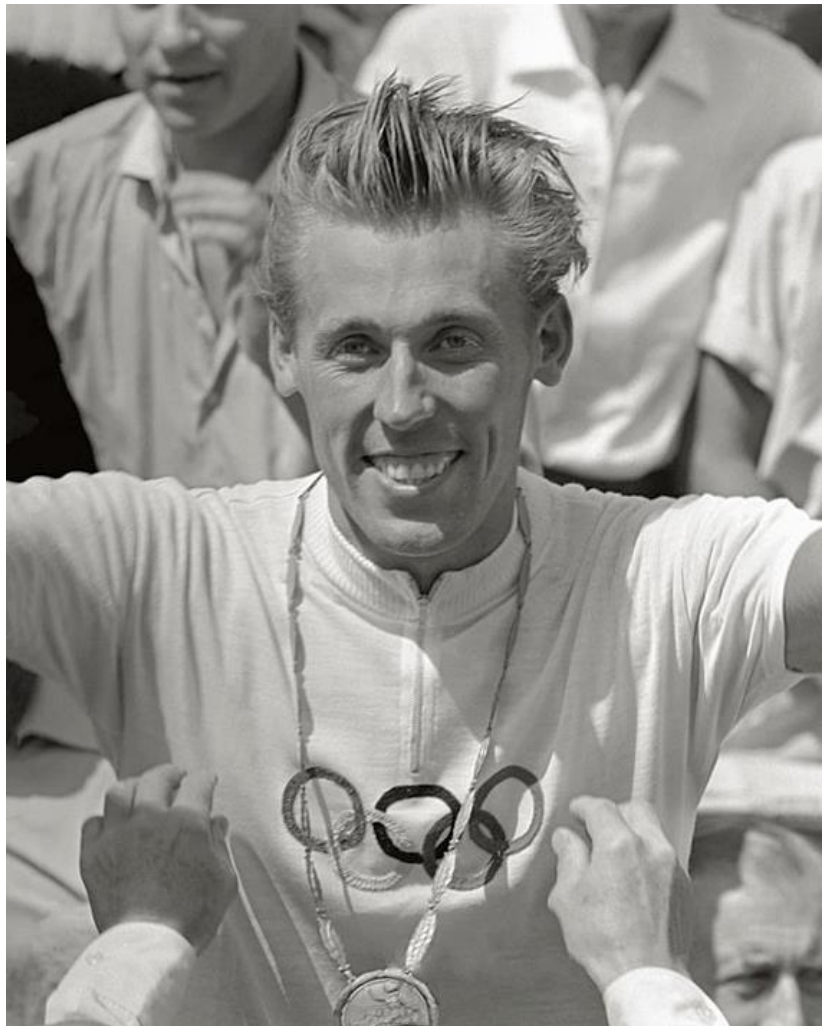


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IL RUSSO KAPITANOFF, MEDAGLIA D'ORO ALLE OLIMPIADI DI ROMA
DEL 1960, CON BICICLETTA CINELLI E POMPA SILCA IMPERO. = =

Viktor Kapitonov is shown in the photo above with his Cinelli Modello B Supercorsa bicycle fitted with a SILCA Impero frame pump prior to the Olympic races in Rome. He was known to favor Italian bicycles.

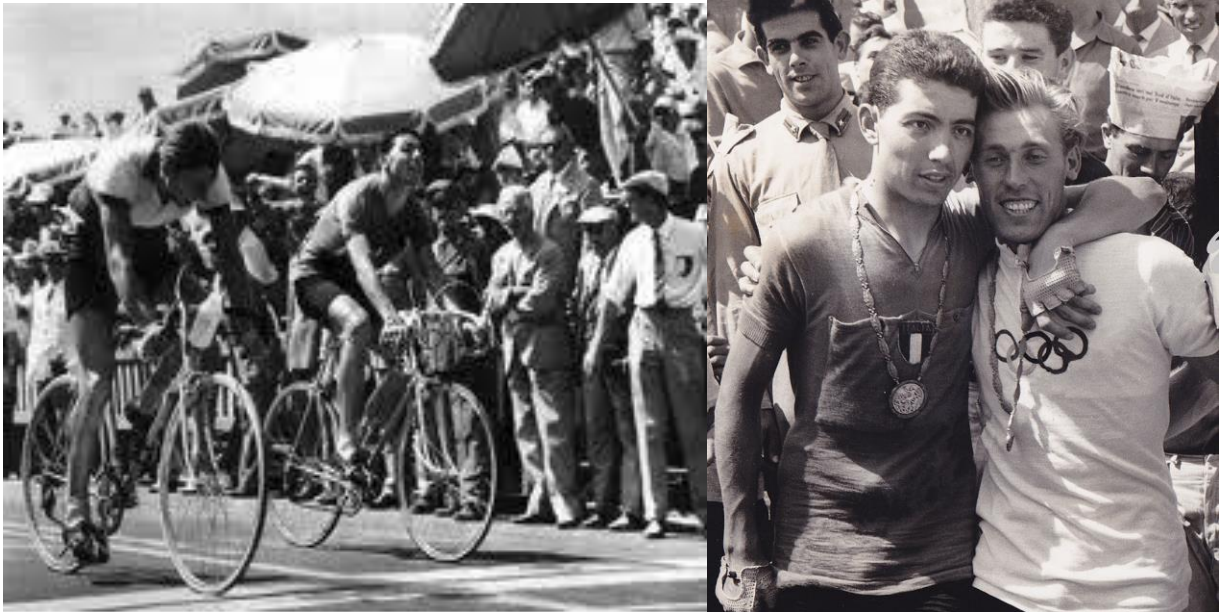


Photo Credit: 1960 Olympic road race - Kapitanov (USSR) beats Livio Trapê (Italy) for the gold medal on his Cinelli bicycle. [Public Domain]

After retiring from racing in 1966, Victor was the coach of the USSR cycling team until 1985.

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For more about Viktor Kapitonov and his Olympic cycling legacy, visit

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