Mammoth hosts spring camp for U.S. Ski Team

By U.S. Ski Team

MAMMOTH MOUNTAIN -— Despite heavy snow, the men's U.S. Alpine Ski Team wrapped up a dynamic spring camp as athletes at all levels of the program gathered at Mammoth Mountain.

"The camp was a total success on all levels," said nen's alpine head coach Sasha Rearick. "We had the Development Team, Europa Cup and World Cup guys in town all doing different things, but they were all pushing each other. It was a cool and super productive dynamic."



Marco Sullivan

World Cup athletes on snow included Marco Sullivan (Squaw Valley), Steven Nyman (Sundance, Utah) and Erik Fisher (Middleton, Idaho) with a goal of getting in some laps and testing equipment. On hand were boot representatives from Atomic, Fischer and Rossignol, which according to Rearick, was a big boost.

"We have such amazing support from those guys and this spring camp is immensely productive with them on site," Rearick said. "Nyman was packing in the miles and is starting to get things dialed. Then we had Marco and Fish come in mainly for testing, plus Travis Ganong (Squaw Valley) was also doing some volume skiing."

It was an end-of-the-season camp for the Development Team with Head Coach Randy Pelkey pushing his athletes as he prepares to invite athletes onto the 2011 squad, while the Europa Cup group worked on fundamentals with Head Coach Forest Carey.

The men's World Cup group will all gather at the Center of Excellence in early June for their annual testing camp and then the entire men's alpine program meets again in Park City in July for a conditioning camp focused on playing hockey.