

Teller ends season 4th in skicross

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MYRKDALEN-VOSS, Norway -- Winter X Games champion John Teller of Mammoth Lakes was fourth Saturday in the final World Cup skicross race of the season in Myrkdalen-Voss. Chris Del Bosco of Canada topped the men's podium with Anna Holmlund of Sweden the women's winner.

Teller qualified for Saturday's finals in fourth giving him a good bracket position for better start lanes through the heats. He blitzed through the first round and quarterfinals winning both. In the semifinal he was second to move on to the finals.

"I was trying to setup a pass on Del Bosco to go into first. I leaned in and caught a rut and my ski just came off," explained Teller.

Patrick Duran of Fayston, Vt., made his third finals appearance in Saturday's season finale finishing 30th.

With Saturday's results, Teller ended fourth in the FIS World Cup skicross standings. Andreas Matt of Austria topped the rankings with Del Bosco second, and Finland's Jouni Pellinen third.

"My goal was to stay fourth in the overall," said Teller. "I did that and I'm really happy – with no support and no coach, I was doing my own skis the whole year. To pull off a fourth place meant a lot."

The women's skicross the World Cup went to Holmlund with Heidi Zacher of Germany second and Kelsey Serwa of Canada third.

Official results, FIS World Cup, Myrkdalen-Voss, Norway,

Skicross

Men

1. Chris Del Bosco, Canada
2. Conradign Netzer, Switzerland
3. Tomas Kraus, Czech Republic
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4. John Teller, Mammoth Lakes, CA
30. Patrick Duran, Fayston, VT

Women

1. Anna Holmlund, Sweden
2. Kelsey Serwa, Canada
3. Katrin Mueller, Switzerland