

Engel takes 3rd in juniors

WINTER PARK, Colo. – Tommy Ford (Bend, OR) boosted captured his second U.S. title in three days and boosted career total to five with a super G victory at the 2011 Putnam Investments U.S. Alpine Championships.

Ford closed the 2010 season with U.S. championships in giant slalom, slalom and super combined and has now captured the 2011 crowns for giant slalom and super G. NorAm overall champion Tommy Biesemeyer (Keene, NY) was second followed by NorAm super G winner Ryan Cochran-Siegle in soft snow as Winter Park boasted a bluebird day.

Cochran-Siegle, who was also the top junior on the day, called the race special as his uncle Bobby Cochran will be inducted into the U.S. Ski and Snowboard Hall of Fame later tonight in a ceremony held in Sun Valley, ID. The Putnam U.S. Alpine Championships conclude Sunday with men's and women's slalom.

Official results, Putnam Investments U.S. Alpine Championships, Winter Park, April 2

Super G

1. Tommy Ford, Bend, OR, 1:10.10
2. Tommy Biesemeyer, Keene, NY, 1:10.20
3. Ryan Cochran-Siegle, Starksboro, VT, 1:10.52

Juniors

1. Ryan Cochran-Siegle, Starksboro, VT, 1:10.52
2. Brennan Rubie, Salt Lake City, UT, 1:10.55
3. Mark Engel, Truckee, CA, 1:11.95