

# South Tahoe's Anderson gets Gnu pro model

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Among the ranks of professional snowboarders, relatively few riders earn pro models. Factor in the female component, and for this year's crop of boards, that number dwindles to precisely six: 2010 Olympians Torah Bright and Gretchen Bleiler, Dutch slopestyle sensation Cheryl Maas, Anne-Flore Marxer, Lisa Filzmoser, and the lady with the longest-running pro model, Barrett Christy.

This October, at long last, Christy will have company on Gnu with the release of the Ladies Choice by Jamie Anderson. It's fitting: Not since Christy, the 10-time Winter X Games medalist, dominated the comp scene in the late-'90s and early '00s has a female rider won with as much consistency and grace as Gnu's newest pro (save Tara Dakides and Janna Meyen-Weatherby).

Just 21 years old in September, the South Lake Tahoe native has been a sponsored rider since she was 9 years old. Among her slopestyle accolades (a list that's becoming so ridiculously long, it's almost Michael Phelps-ian): the last two TTR World Tour overall wins, the last two Winter Dew Tour overall wins, a Burton Global Open Series win, a U.S. Open win, three Winter X gold medals (also: the youngest medalist and youngest female gold medalist in Winter X history), an Arctic Challenge win. And with two wins in New Zealand already this season – and the promise of Slopestyle on the Winter Olympic program come 2014 – it doesn't seem like she's slowing down anytime soon.

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