

Holland just misses podium in Utah

By USSA

PARK CITY – In only her second competition back from injury, Faye Gulini of Salt Lake City was U.S. Snowboarding's top finisher Sunday at the Sprint U.S. Snowboarding Grand Prix at Canyons Resort, taking second to win the women's U.S. Championship.

Teammate Nate Holland of Squaw Valley was the top American male finisher on a day where continuous snowfall made for low visibility and slow course speeds on Canyons Resort's Doc's Run.

Austrain Markus Schairer won the men's title while Canadian Dominique Maltais took the women's.

Holland placed fourth overall for the men, after he took a fall near the start in the championship heat.

"I'm pumped to have the U.S. Championship title but I really wanted to put the exclamation point on it with a win. Right off the start features, I got run into and taken out," Holland said. "There's not much I could have done. I'm stoked for the title, but wish I would have gotten the win. Sitting one off the podium is a bittersweet spot."