

Vonn, Cook repeat 1-2 finish at Lake Louise

By USSA

The No. 1 speed team in the world – the U.S. Ski Team – put six athletes into the top 20 on Saturday at Lake Louise.

Superstar Lindsey Vonn came back from the brink of disaster to win her 55th career Audi FIS Alpine World Cup, matching the great Swiss Vreni Schneider for second in the all time wins list. Vonn, who was already 0.24 behind, went wide on a sweeping turn before the midway point of the course losing valuable time. But she nailed the bottom of the Lake Louise downhill to take a 0.52 second margin over teammate Stacey Cook and extend her win streak on the Canadian Rockies course to six.

It was Cook's second career podium, matching the result of a day earlier.

Vonn will go for a sweep in Sunday's super G.

Julia Mancuso (Squaw Valley) was ninth, Alice McKennis (Glenwood Springs, Colo.) 11th, Laurene Ross (Bend, Ore.) 18th and Leanne Smith (North Conway, N.H.) 20th.

Vonn moved into fourth in the Audi FIS Alpine World Cup standings behind Slovenian Tina Maze, 347-210. Vonn and Cook are one-two in the downhill standings.

Cook, who is from Mammoth, had the added bonus of picking up her first two podiums with her family in attendance.

"I hope this is the tip of the iceberg for me. My coaches have told me that I'm like a fine wine – that I get better with age and it's true," Cook said. "I just hope the body holds out with the age."

