

Miller 3rd, Ganong 7th at Hahnenkamm downhill

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KITZBUEHEL, Austria -- Victory at the famed Hahnenkamm downhill eluded Bode Miller (Franconia, N.H.) yet again as the Olympic champion finished third in Kitzbuehel. Miller, who won the only training run, skied a tactically tight line for every ounce of speed but made a drastic mistake going into a flat section to drop 0.34 behind race winner Hannes Reichelt of Austria. It was Miller's career third podium on the legendary track after two previous second-place finishes.

Teammate Travis Ganong (Squaw Valley) matched his career-best finish in seventh, with Norwegian Aksel Lund Svindal in second.

It was the final downhill of the U.S. Olympic selection period, and official team nominations will be announced immediately following Sunday's super combined World Cup.

Marco Sullivan (Squaw Valley) sneaked into the top 20 while Steven Nyman (Sundance, Utah) also finished within the points in 27th.

Due to warm temperatures, the traditional course was altered from its traditional finish pitch to go around the Hausberg jump and side hill traverse into the finish.