

Anderson claims U.S. Open slopestyle title

By USSA

VAIL -- Olympic gold medalist Jamie Anderson (Meyers) landed another major slopestyle victory at the Burton U.S. Open. Anderson clinched the TTR World Snowboard Tour slopestyle title with her win Friday at the snowy Vail Mountain venue.

Canadian Spencer O'Brien took second and Isabel Derungs of Switzerland third in the women's final.

Canada's Mark McMorris took the victory for the men with Norwegian Stale Sandbech taking second and Canadian Max Parrot third.

Falling snow throughout the day created flat light conditions and delays while the event staff thoroughly cleared new snow from the course.

Anderson's winning run: gap to boardslide, 50-50 to frontside boardslide, 50-50 to backside 180 tail-tap out, cab 720 nose, switch backside 540 Indy and frontside 720 mute.

"It feels amazing. We definitely were under the winter elements today, which kind of felt good. It's snowy, the course is a little crazy, but I was so impressed with all the girls' riding and just happy to be out here in Vail," Anderson said. "This win is different than the Olympics because I didn't have all the pressure on me, but I like to do my best all the time and being able to participate in the U.S. Open is huge for me. It means so much."