

Young U.S. freeskiers dominated Rev Tour

By USSA

COPPER MOUNTAIN, Colo. – U.S. rookie halfpipe team member Abigale Hansen (June Lake) dominated the first stop of the U.S. Revolution Tour at Copper Mountain on Thursday and Friday, winning both halfpipe events. Hansen led a strong contingency of up-and-coming U.S. freeskiers to kick off what looks to be a promising season for U.S. athletes

The first stop of the Rev Tour featured back-to-back halfpipe competitions under mostly sunny, Colorado skies. In addition to Hansen's wins, the American women scored a couple of podium finishes: Carly Margulies (Mammoth Lakes) finished third on Thursday and Zyre Austin (Glenwood Springs, Colo.) took second on Friday (she also took fourth on Thursday).

The American men also fared well, with Hunter Hess (Bend, Ore.) snagging a podium spot with a third-place finish on Friday.

The rest of the Americans in the field showed well, with strong showings in the final on both days: Paula Cooper (Vail), fifth on Thursday and sixth on Friday; Jeanee Crane-Mauzy (Park City), fifth on Friday; Joey Lang (Aspen), sixth on Thursday; Cameron Brodrick (Mammoth Lakes), sixth on Friday.

Next up for the Revolution Tour is the Mammoth Mountain stop Jan. 26-31.