Ganong top American in downhill

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GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN, Germany — Travis Ganong (Squaw Valley) was again the top American down the dark Kandahar downhill, this time finishing 12th.

Saturday's race was the official Audi FIS Ski World Cup downhill day in Garmisch, as Friday's race was a makeup race from Wengen. While Ganong won in Friday's attempt, he skied the rough and bumpy course to finish just outside of the top 10 in 12th Saturday.

Hannes Reichelt of Austria was untouchable in the final downhill before the World Championships in St. Moritz kicks off in February, taking the win. Peter Fill of Italy was second and Beat Feuz of Switzerland third.

The rest of the American Downhillers finished in the points, with Bryce Bennett (Squaw Valley) 22nd, Jared Goldberg (Holladay, Utah) 26th, Tommy Biesemeyer (Keene, N.Y.) 27th and Andrew Weibrecht (Lake Placid, N.Y.) 28th.