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Shawnee Mountain Resort

by Nick Gill

There may not have been the blizzard many were expecting, but the steady stream of snow falling across Pennsylvania has produced terrific conditions for skiing. The local ski resorts are taking advantage of the increased snow fall by crafting it into some of the best conditions they have seen all winter.

“The winter weather has been cooperating with the new snow fall,” Jim Tust, general manager of Shawnee Mountain said. “We have gotten fresh powder. The cold air has allowed for really good snow making. The mountain is 100 percent open. We are in full operation. It is in just beautiful condition.”

The hard work of the ski resorts in November and December have yielded ideal conditions as we enter February. All of the resorts including Shawnee Mountain, Jack Frost-Big Boulder, Camelback Mountain, Montage Mountain, and Alpine Mountain are fully operational. They have opened all their trails and are working in the fresh snow to create exceptional skiing, snowboarding and snow tubing.

“We are in prime condition here in the Poconos,” Mark Daubert, general manager of Jack Frost-Big Boulder said. “The weather has been great. We could not ask for anything better. We have an above average snow base. Mother Nature is doing the conditioning for us. We turn the snow over to gear things up and work our way across the mountain to mix in the natural snow.”

Whether or not there is snow on the



Jack Frost/Big Boulder Snowtubing

ground in your area, there is plenty at the ski resorts. They have diligently increased their snow base substantially in the last several weeks. Montage Mountain boasts a snow base of 34-58”. Jack Frost-Big Boulder is operating with a 24-48” snow base and have groomed all trails. Camelback Mountain has a snow base of 52-60” of packed powder. Shawnee Mountain has a snow base between 36-48” of packed powder.

“We are getting rave reviews about conditions because of the fresh fallen snow,” Sarah Farrell, Director of Sales and Marketing at Montage Mountain said. “We are 100 percent open with all of our trails, air boarding, and snow tubing, so we are rolling.”

With the cooperation of Mother Nature and the diligence of the ski resorts, there is significant excitement for President’s Day weekend. President’s Day weekend offers one of the best ski weekends of the year and the local resorts are preparing to make it as strong as possible.

“All the resorts are 100 percent open,” Brian Bosart of the Pocono Vacation Bureau said. “The conditions are very good. So there will be fun events going on for skiing, snowboarding, and tubing. Each of the resorts has President’s Day weekend events going leading into to President’s Day weekend and going through the holiday.”

For many of the ski resorts, the President’s Day weekend activities begin Friday, February 13th and extend through Monday. They have a number of different options including family fun, music, games, and of course a variety of ski, snowboarding, and



Alpine Mountain Resort

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Perfect 63 for Lindsey Vonn



Lindsey Vonn (Vail, CO) put down a near flawless super G run Monday to win her 63rd Audi FIS Ski World Cup



Vonn skis to first in the Cortina super G. (Getty Images-AFP/Alberto Pizzoli)

CORTINA D'AMPEZZO, Italy (Jan. 19, 2015) - Sheer perfection! Lindsey Vonn (Vail, CO) put down a near flawless super G run Monday to win her 63rd Audi FIS Ski World Cup and etch her name into the record books as the winningest women's World Cup racer ever. Skiing at the end of the top seed in the 22nd start position, Vonn took command from the start and posted a .85 second margin over Austria's Anna Fenninger.

The win—her second straight in two days—boosted her beyond the mark of 62 set by Austria's Annemarie Moser-Proell between 1970-80.

"It's amazing—words can't describe my feeling," said Vonn. "63 feels incredible. I'm really proud of what I've done and I'm excited about the future."

Vonn skied relaxed and tactically strong, the weight of tying the record off her shoulders after Sunday's downhill win.

"I definitely felt like the pressure was off today. I just wanted to go out and have a good run," she said. "I was relaxed and cool and I think it showed in my skiing. I honestly didn't know if I would be fast enough. I made some mistakes. I was shocked I was in the lead but very, very happy."

Four Americans cracked the top-30 points on the day, including Julia Mancuso (Squaw Valley, CA) in 12th. Vonn took the win ahead of Anna Fenninger of Austria and Tina Weirather of Liechtenstein.

Highlights:

- Lindsey Vonn's 63rd Audi FIS Ski World Cup win put her on top of the women's all time win list.
- The win boosted Vonn into fourth in the overall Audi FIS Ski World Cup standings, behind Mikaela Shiffrin who is in third. Vonn moved into third in super G and continues to lead the downhill standings.
- Julia Mancuso was 12th, Laurenne Ross 17th, Stacey Cook 19th, Alice McKennis 31st, Jackie Wiles 36th and Katie Ryan 38th.
- The Audi FIS Ski World Cup tour now heads to St. Moritz, Switzerland for a downhill and super G this weekend, the final event before the naming of the World Championships team on January 28.

Lindsey Vonn

63 World Cup wins in 333 starts
 First World Cup start Nov. 18, 2000 in Park City slalom at age 16
 First World Cup podium Jan. 18, 2004, finishing third in Cortina downhill at age 19
 First World Cup win Dec. 3, 2004 in Lake Louise downhill at age 20
 108 World Cup podiums

Quotes: Lindsey Vonn

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America is very record centric. Hopefully this will bring more attention to the sport. It will be good going into the World Championships with more interest from the American public. I try to promote the sport—it's an amazing sport.

To have Tiger here at this race on this occasion was really special for me. Everyone important to me is here.

I'm excited to have the World Championships at home in Vail/Beaver Creek. I hope I can do something special.

CORTINA D'AMPEZZO, Italy FIS World Cup - Ladies' Super G

	Nation	Total Time	FIS Points
VONN Lindsey	USA	1:27.03	0.00
FENNINGER Anna	AUT	1:27.88	10.55
WEIRATHER Tina	LIE	1:27.95	11.42
MAZE Tina	SLO	1:28.02	12.29
HUETTER Cornelia	AUT	1:28.02	12.29
GUT Lara	SUI	1:28.19	14.40
KLING Kajsa	SWE	1:28.30	15.76
GOERGL Elisabeth	AUT	1:28.60	19.48
FANCHINI Nadia	ITA	1:28.60	19.48
HOSP Nicole	AUT	1:28.92	23.45
MARSAGLIA Francesca	ITA	1:29.22	27.18
MANCUSO Julia	USA	1:29.23	27.30
CURTONI Elena	ITA	1:29.23	27.30
SUTER Fabienne	SUI	1:29.26	27.67
MOWINCKEL Ragnhild	NOR	1:29.27	27.80
STERZ Regina	AUT	1:29.49	30.53
ROSS Laurenne	USA	1:29.63	32.26



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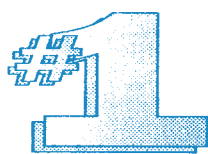


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Shiffrin Crowned Snow Queen Again



Mikaela Shiffrin claimed the Snow Queen Trophy and her second straight Audi FIS Ski World Cup win, moving her back into the title chase. (Getty Images/Agence Zoom-Alexis Boichard)

Mikaela Shiffrin claimed the Snow Queen Trophy with a 1.68 second slalom win in the Audi FIS Ski World Cup in Zagreb.

ZAGREB, Croatia (Jan. 4, 2015) - Mikaela Shiffrin (Eagle-Vail, CO) celebrated the New Year in style, winning her second straight Audi FIS Ski World Cup slalom in Zagreb and laying claim for the second time to the Snow Queen Trophy. Shiffrin won in dominating style, leading the first run by .80 and expanding that lead in the second for a 1.68 second margin over Austria's Kathrin Zettel. Nina Loeseth of Norway was third, nearly three seconds behind Shiffrin. Resi Stiegler (Jackson, WY) was 13th.

"Both runs today I had so much fun," said Shiffrin. She repeated the win she earned in Zagreb two years ago on a hill she enjoys. "Snow Queen is a nice title," she said. "More than that, I really like this hill. I like the challenge. It's a little bit steep, a little bit flat - you have to work it all the way down. The crowd is incredible. It's a classic race where the fans love to watch ski racing."

For the second straight race, Shiffrin served notice that equipment issues that plagued her earlier in the season have been resolved. Despite a mistake early in her first run, she built a .80 second lead, then expanded on that in the second.

"I feel really good on my equipment right now," she added. "Having to test a little bit and see what's out there and what works for my style was probably the best thing I could have done - learning more about mown skiing and learning how to work with Atomic better. They have been so incredibly supportive - I feel I have the best setup in the world." Shiffrin spent time with Atomic in Santa Caterina over the holidays testing equipment and dialing in settings to get to the point where she's now extremely comfortable with her setup.

The win launched Shiffrin into second in the Audi FIS Ski World Cup overall behind Tina Maze. Only a single point now separates Shiffrin from the slalom lead held by Sweden's Frida Hansdotter.

Shiffrin will get a break now until the Jan. 13 night slalom in Flachau, the final tech race before the World Championships in Vail/Beaver Creek. The speed team will be back in action next weekend in Bad Kleinkirchheim, Austria where Lindsey Vonn (Vail, CO) will be going for a record 62nd Audi FIS Ski World Cup win. The women's speed team is wrapping up a four-day on-snow camp on Raptor at Beaver Creek.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Mikaela Shiffrin took her second straight Audi FIS Ski World Cup slalom, winning in Zagreb by 1.68 seconds.
- Having dialed in equipment issues that plagued her earlier in the year, Shiffrin skied to her second straight slalom win boosting her within a point of the lead.
- Resi Stiegler continued her strong season, finishing 13th.

- Hailey Duke (Boise, ID) did not qualify for the second run while Paula Moltzan (Lakeville, MN) went out in the first run.

Quotes:

Mikaela Shiffrin

I'm really happy - my entire team is happy. This is a really good position right now. It was a beautiful day - a great race and everyone did a good job preparing the hill. I'm psyched to be back in Zagreb.

I feel really good on my equipment right now. Having to test a little bit and see what's out there and what works for my style was probably the best thing I could have done - learning more about mown skiing and learning how to work with Atomic better. They have been so incredibly supportive - I feel I have the best setup in the world.

Snow Queen is a nice title. More than that, I really like this hill. I like the challenge. It's a little bit steep, a little bit flat - you have to work it all the way down. The crowd is incredible. It's a classic race where the fans love to watch ski racing.

We have a really good team right now and we're pushing each other.

ZAGREB, CROATIA FIS SKI WORLD CUP - Ladies' Slalom

	Nation	1 st Run	2 nd Run	Total Time
SHIFFRIN Mikaela	USA	56.88	59.78	1:56.66
ZETTEL Kathrin	AUT	57.68	1:00.66	1:58.34
LOESETH Nina	NOR	58.57	1:00.88	1:59.45
HANSDOTTER Frida	SWE	59.03	1:00.90	1:59.93
MAZE Tina	SLO	58.63	1:01.53	2:00.16
MIELZYNSKI Erin	CAN	59.93	1:00.75	2:00.68
GAGNON Marie-Michele	CAN	59.90	1:01.11	2:01.01
COSTAZZA Chiara	ITA	59.07	1:02.21	2:01.28
HECTOR Sara	SWE	59.98	1:01.44	2:01.42
THALMANN Carmen	AUT	59.39	1:02.26	2:01.65
GISIN Michelle	SUI	59.31	1:02.44	2:01.75
SCHILD Bernadette	AUT	59.77	1:02.03	2:01.80
STIEGLER Resi	USA	59.41	1:02.45	2:01.86



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Vonn Carries 64th Win to Vail



Lindsey Vonn, (Center), winner women's World Cup super-G, on podium with 2nd place Anna Fenninger, (L), & 3rd place Nicole Hosp, Photo: Armando Trovati, AP

Vonn skis to first in the Cortina super G. (Getty Images-AFP/Alberto Pizzoli)

ST. MORITZ, Switzerland (Jan. 25, 2015) - Lindsey Vonn (Vail, CO) will wing her way home to Vail/Beaver Creek with a 64th career victory, taking a strong win Sunday over Austria's Anna Fenninger in an Audi FIS Ski World Cup super G in St. Moritz. Vonn posted a .24 second margin for the win, coming just eight days before she will step into the super G starting gate at World Championships on Tuesday, Feb. 3.

The St. Moritz super G course presented tough challenges for the athletes. "I was definitely a difficult course today," said Vonn. "There was a lot of terrain and tricky parts."

Her win came a day after a big mistake in the downhill dropped her from podium-challenger to 23rd. "After a bad day comes a good day," said Vonn. "Yesterday I risked a lot and it didn't pay off. Today I risked a lot and it did pay off. I always like to ski at the limit - it's what's won me a lot of races and what's made me crash and go into the nets. That's the way I ski."

Julia Mancuso (Squaw Valley, CA) was 16th with Stacey Cook (Mammoth Mountain, CA) 19th and Alice McKennis (Glenwood Springs, CO) 27th.

The win carries Vonn into her hometown of Vail on a high note, heading back for some relaxation for a few days and final training for the February 3 super G opener at World Championships.

"I'm ready for Vail! I feel confident," she said. "I'm skiing well and hopefully it will be a good World Championships for me. I have a lot of confidence after having a few days of training at Beaver Creek. It's a very difficult hill and one that requires a lot of tactics. But I am confident. I'm going to go in and ski my best like I always have and hopefully it will work out."

Highlights:

- Lindsey Vonn claimed her 64th Audi FIS Ski World Cup win with a victory in the St. Moritz super G.
- The win vaulted her into the World Cup super G lead over Anna Fenninger, and bumped her into third in the overall standings.
- Vonn will be among the favorites in the super G which opens the World Championships in Vail/Beaver Creek on February 3.
- The World Championships team will be formally named Wednesday at 5 p.m. EST. Vonn and Mancuso are the top two by results this season in super G.

Quotes: Lindsey Vonn

It was definitely a difficult course today. There was a lot of terrain and tricky parts. Thankfully I didn't make any mistakes like I did yesterday.

I've been getting tired and used everything I had left in my tank. I was definitely skiing aggressively and using every bit of energy I had left. Now it's nice to have a few days off to regroup for the World Championships.

After a bad day comes a good day. Yesterday I risked a lot and it didn't pay off. Today I

risked a lot and it did pay off. I always like to ski at the limit - it's what's won me a lot of races and what's made me crash and go into the nets. That's the way I ski.

The name of the game in super G is having confidence. You have to have a good inspection, trust yourself and really attack no matter what.

I'm ready for Vail! I feel confident, I'm skiing well and hopefully it will be a good World Championships for me. I have a lot of confidence after having a few days of training at Beaver Creek. It's a very difficult hill and one that requires a lot of tactics. But I am confident. I'm going to go in and ski my best like I always have and hopefully it will work out.

I have more pressure on myself because I want to perform well for my family. Everyone is going to be there. I want to have it be a really fun World Championships for them and have something to celebrate.

Julia Mancuso

I'm really close to having a breakthrough. I'm going to work hard and hopefully be fighting for the medals in Beaver Creek. It's tough - it's a really hard hill with some really extreme parts. It will take some great skiing. I'm happy to have a few days at home and racing in the United States.

ST. MORITZ, Switzerland FIS World Cup - Ladies' Super G

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VONN Lindsey	USA	1:23.55	0.00
FENNINGER Anna	AUT	1:23.79	3.10
HOSP Nicole	AUT	1:24.65	14.22
KLING Kajsa	SWE	1:25.03	19.13
HUETTER Cornelia	AUT	1:25.10	20.04
SCHMIDHOFER Nicole	AUT	1:25.35	23.27
MOWINCKEL Ragnhild	NOR	1:25.40	23.91
STERZ Regina	AUT	1:25.54	25.72
REBENSBURG Viktoria	GER	1:25.54	25.72
MARSAGLIA Francesca	ITA	1:25.55	25.85
FANCHINI Elena	ITA	1:25.61	26.63
JAY MARCHAND-ARVIER Marie	FRA	1:25.62	26.76
GRENIER Valerie	CAN	1:25.64	27.02
CURTONI Elena	ITA	1:25.66	27.27
PUCHNER Mirjam	AUT	1:25.76	28.57
MANCUSO Julia	USA	1:25.78	28.83
GAGNON Marie-Michele	CAN	1:25.89	30.25

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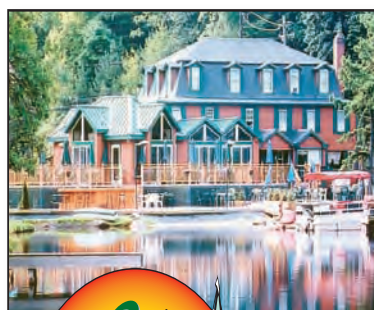
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Montage Mountain Resort at night

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tubing activities.

“We have some really great things planned for Presidents’ Day weekend at Montage Mountain,” Farrell said. “On Friday, February 13th, we have our Find it Friday promotion kicking off the weekend. We hide a variety of things on the mountain, giving people chances to win throughout the day. We also have a Kids Carnival, family activities, mascot appearances, and fireworks throughout the weekend.”

In addition to a variety of activities, many of the ski resorts also offer packages and promotions for President’s Day weekend.

“Shawnee Mountain works with the lodging partners in the area,” Tust said. “We have some great overnight packages, so people can come for more than one day. It is a great time of the year to do a ski getaway or ski week. We have some discounted tickets offered through those lodging partners.”

It is a great time to get out on the trails. The ski conditions are continuing to improve with each falling flake of snow. The ski resorts are operating in high gear to produce a strong snow base and a great snow surface. Whether it is for a day or a getaway, President’s Day weekend is prime time to enjoy the slopes and events.

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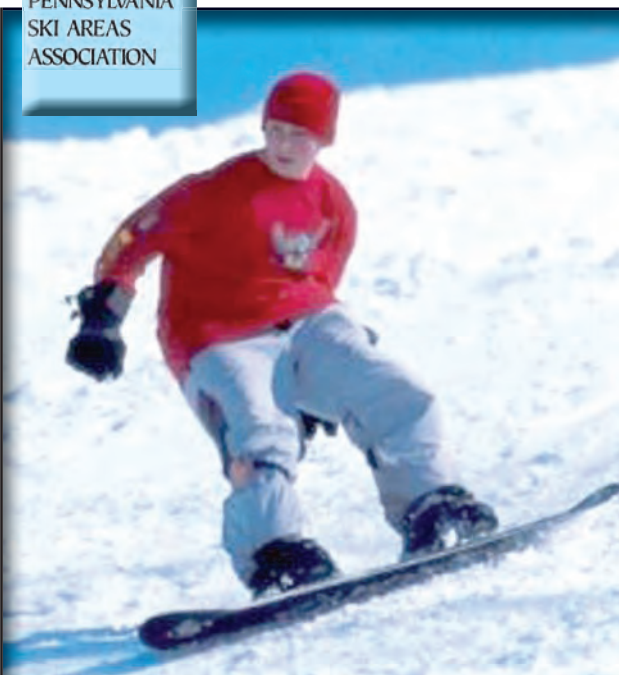
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Media Release

White Haven, PA - January 2015 - Pennsylvania is a land of economic opportunity - especially for skiers and snow surfers trying to make a recreation budget last through the winter. Skiing close to home has real advantages. Think for a minute about the cost, at inflated fuel prices, of driving 600 miles round trip for a ski week or weekend. The savings, by staying in a 50 mile range of home on nearby Pennsylvania slopes, is enough for a lift ticket and a lunch.

But 21 Keystone State winter resorts that are members of the Pennsylvania Ski Areas Association offer a bounty of bargains that provide more skiing and riding for the dollar. Look for a range of special offers at resorts and ski shops near home.

Many Pennsylvania resorts have on-line bookings for everything from lift tickets, rentals and lessons to accommodations. Interactive resort web sites will frequently offer special discounts or coupons. And, on Resort Facebook and Twitter pages many times followers will find last minute specials.

Midweek skiing provides some of the best bargains. Virtually every one of the PSAA resorts provides mid-week discounts by hosting special days for a wide range of people profiles - everyone fits in. How about "Men's Day"? That's followed by "Women's Day". Then there's "Student's Day", "Public Servant's Day", etc; you get the idea.

Beginners are also special people. They enjoy package prices that are deeply discounted and include lessons, rental equipment and lift tickets. Some Pennsylvania resorts even offer season-long discounts after visitors buy their

first beginner package. During the month of January, you can also take advantage of the Learn to Ski and Snowboard Month programs across the state too.

Mid-Week "Ski and Stay" plans help stretch a budget through the winter and provide mid-week and weekend rates that offer more skiing and riding, less driving and lower cost. They typically include condominium accommodations with cooking facilities for anywhere from 4 to 10 people. Splitting the cost provides an easy-on-the-wallet vacation. The packages often include lift tickets or discounted tickets, rentals and lessons.

Senior citizens also rate special rates and some Pennsylvania resorts still honor a tradition going back more than half a century that allows skiers, 70 and over to hit the slopes, free.

And finally, if you have a fourth grader at home, PSAA member areas are providing up to 63 days of free lift tickets, rental equipment and lessons to introduce them to skiing and riding. A fourth and fifth grade Snowpass is available at www.skipa.com.

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Teen Chloe Kim Takes X Games Gold



At just 14 years old, Chloe Kim stands high atop the X Games podium after knocking off Kelly Clark for the halfpipe snowboarding title. (Getty Images/Agence Zoom)

ASPEN, CO (Jan. 24, 2015)—The future is now in women's superpipe. 14-year-old Chloe Kim (Carlsbad, CA) won gold in the Buttermilk halfpipe, becoming the youngest athlete to ever win X Games gold.

Bruised and battered after a hard wipeout in the halfpipe, Kim slid up to the biggest stage in snowboarding with pressure to perform. She crashed earlier in the competition, resulting in a bloody face and questions lingering in her head about continuing to compete. On her third and final run, she needed a score of 90.01 to overtake her mentor, Kelly Clark (West Dover, VT), for an incredible win.

Kim is halfpipe's inarguable future. And her incredible display of courage and talent proved that she's also the present. Kim stomped her third run down the pipe en route to winning gold.

"My face kind of hurts right now, but that was so fun," said Kim immediately after her gold medal-clinching run. "I thought about pulling out [after crashing], but then I was like, 'I'm not going to wait another year to do this.' So, I decided to go for it and pretend like that fall never happened. And, I am really glad I made that decision."

Kim's wise choice to keep at it and drop in on her third run in the finals belied her young age. She notched an impressive score of 92 on a five-hit run that included a switch method, cab 900, switch backside 720, mctwist, and frontside 900.

Winning the silver medal in women's snowboard superpipe was Clark. The 31-year-old icon earned her 13th X Games medal with the second place finish, but snapped her four-year win streak in Aspen. Australia's Torah Bright won the bronze medal.

"I had a really fun night of snowboarding," said Clark, who has openly been a huge proponent of Kim's approach to riding.

Women's halfpipe snowboarding has a bright future ahead of it with Kim as the youngest gold medalist in X Games history. Alongside two indisputable legends of snowboarding, Kim's place atop the X Games superpipe podium illustrates the sport's past, present, and future.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Chloe Kim is now the youngest X Games gold medalist in history.



Chloe Kim grabs her board during final run of women's snowboard superpipe final at Winter X Games. (Photo by Daniel Petty/The Denver Post)

- Kim says the hardest part about being a 14-year-old professional snowboarder is getting her high school homework finished in between training, competing, and riding.
- Clark and Bright have been X Games mainstays for years. Collectively, the two iconic snowboarders have won 18 total X Games medals.
- Kim's win snapped a four-year win streak in Aspen for Clark.

Quote:

Chloe Kim, women's snowboard superpipe gold medalist

The first run I fell on that sixth hit. So, I was scared and I didn't get another run to try that hit again. It got the best of me and I decided I didn't want to deal with it again. I decided that I couldn't be scared of a halfpipe because that fall was a little accident. And, so I went for it and it worked out.

Kelly Clark, women's snowboard superpipe silver medalist

There are steps [to competing]. You spend time taking risk and eventually that risk becomes your normal. I took a step tonight. Trying cab-9s in a contest is how you become able to do them, and the more times you try them the more consistent and comfortable you become with them. I just couldn't pull it in though.

WOMEN'S SNOWBOARD SUPER PIPE FINAL

	Run 1	Run 2	Run 3	Best
Chloe Kim	81.66	87.66	92.00	92.00
Kelly Clark	90.00	39.00	42.33	90.00
Torah Bright	78.33	19.33	5.00	78.33
Arielle Gold	73.33	75.66	73.00	75.66
Cai Xuetong	47.00	11.00	70.00	70.00
Queralt Castellet	60.00	50.00	10.33	60.00
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Ligety Fifth in Wengen Combined



Ted Ligety skis to fifth place at the first alpine combined of the season in Wengen. (Getty Images/AFP-Olivier Morin)



Jared Goldberg takes 19th in the downhill, and 15th overall. (Getty Images-Agence Zoom/Alexis Boichard)

WENGEN, Switzerland (Jan. 16, 2015)—Ted Ligety (Park City, UT) battled the alpine combined—a downhill followed by one run of slalom—to be the top American in Wengen, finishing in fifth place. Downhiller Jared Goldberg (Holladay, UT) skied to 15th, his first top 15 on the Audi FIS Alpine World Cup this season. Carlo Janka of Switzerland won the race by 1.31 seconds and Victor Muffat-Jeandet of France was second.

The first run on Wengen's famed Lauberhorn downhill was solid for Ligety and Goldberg, giving them good start numbers for the slalom portion. Ligety took 27th—a respectable finish for the tech skier. "It wasn't great skiing. My turns were really grindy in some places," Ligety critiqued after his downhill run. "In this snow, you pay hard because there's decent snow out there." Goldberg finished 19th.

After the downhill, the men had to change equipment, location and their state of mind to get ready for the slalom run. Unlike a traditional ski race discipline, in which the audience can forecast the overall finish from the first run results, alpine combined is hard to predict.

Ligety had a clean slalom run, showing off his tech skills by skiing from 27th to fifth. He won this race in 2014, but with his result in downhill, he could not keep up to speedy Janka. Goldberg, even with a few mistakes in downhill, pulled out his first top-15 result of the season. "My slalom is doing pretty good," he said before the second run. "I've been training a lot and I think it's the best it has ever been."

After running both downhill training runs, Bode Miller (Franconia, NH) decided to forerun, instead of competing in the race. "It was a hard decision to not race here," said Miller. "But I know this is the right decision here and I'm hoping I can go into Kitzbuehel and be ready."

Quotes: Ted Ligety

After downhill:

It wasn't great skiing. My turns were really grindy in some places. In this snow, you pay hard because there's decent snow out there. You lose a lot of time. The positive side is that I run early. I'm not crazy far from the downhill guys.

Wengen is cool. The slalom hill is really classic. There's not much snow on it, but it has a lot of cool features.

After slalom:

I knew I didn't have a good enough downhill run to have much of a chance, unless I got a little lucky. And I didn't ski well enough in the slalom. But it is worthwhile to

get some gauge on the snow [for Saturday's slalom race]. It's super springlike, how it has been for a long time here.

Jared Goldberg: After downhill:

I was attacking for sure. I wasn't holding back at all. I maybe attacked too hard in places that didn't allow because of the flat light. There are a lot of bumps now. I tried to tuck everything.

My slalom is doing pretty good. I've been training a lot and I think it's the best it has ever been. My downhill for sure has been a lot of faster this year.

This is a really fun slalom hill. It's a legitimate slalom hill. It is steep and there are rolls everywhere and fall aways. So I'm just going to be balanced and ski as fast as I can.

After slalom: This is my first slalom in a race situation this year. I'm definitely stoked on it. I skied well. I was just trying to attack and come out of the gate. I haven't skied much slalom—only trained about three days. I just wanted to come out and get a good rhythm going and risk it the whole time. It was a wild ride and I lost time here and there.

WENGEN, Switzerland FIS WORLD CUP - Men's Alpine Combined

	Nation	Downhill	Slalom	Total Time
JANKA Carlo	SUI	1:36.42	52.89	2:29.31
MUFFAT-JEANDET	FRA	1:39.20	51.42	2:30.62
KOSTELIC Ivica	CRO	1:38.53	52.16	2:30.69
MAYER Matthias	AUT	1:36.53	54.21	2:30.74
LIGETY Ted	USA	1:39.11	51.84	2:30.95
ZRNCIC-DIM	CRO	1:38.88	52.12	2:31.00
CAVIEZEL Mauro	SUI	1:37.62	53.68	2:31.30
BANK Ondrej	CZE	1:37.81	53.58	2:31.39
MERMILLOD BLONDIN T	FRA	1:38.75	52.69	2:31.44
PINTURALT Alexis	FRA	1:39.71	52.03	2:31.74
BAUMANN Romed	AUT	1:38.08	54.01	2:32.09
KRIECHMAYR Vincent	AUT	1:37.34	54.87	2:32.21
ZURBRIGGEN Silvan	SUI	1:39.47	52.87	2:32.34
GOLDBERG Jared	USA	1:38.71	53.94	2:32.65



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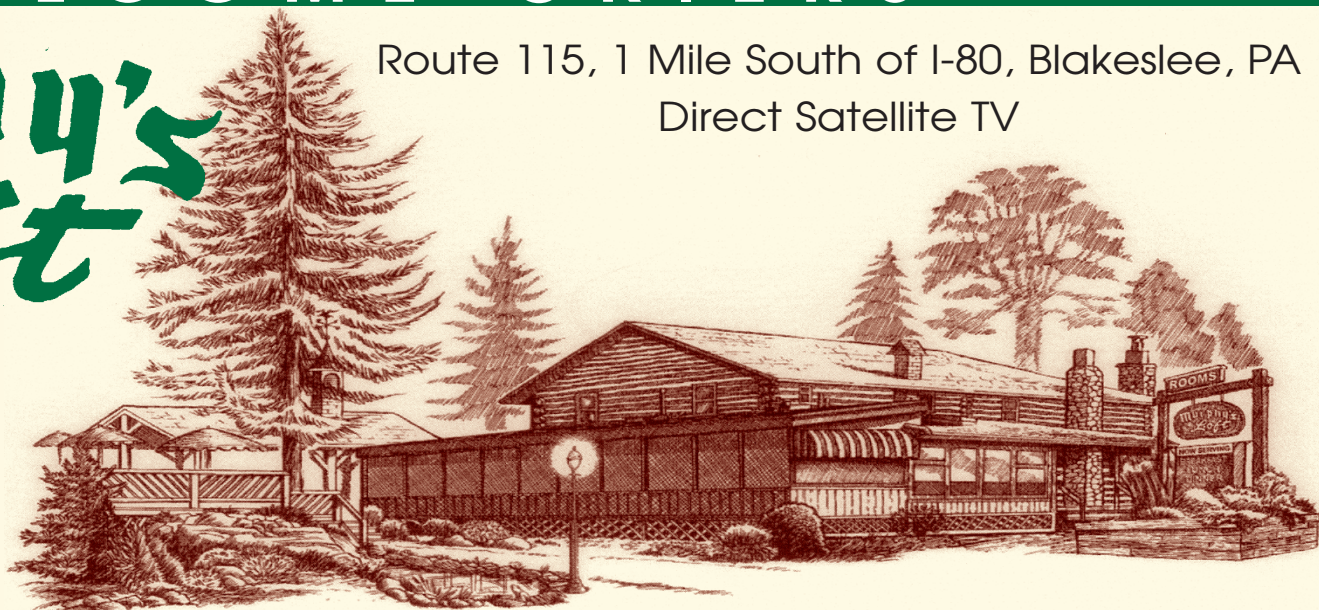
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