



WINTER DEW TOUR 2021

Saturday, December 18 - Results, Highlights and Quotes

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The third official day of the 2021 Winter Dew Tour showcased a full and action-packed day of final competitions: **Women's Snowboard Slopestyle, Men's Snowboard Slopestyle, Men's Ski Superpipe presented by Toyota**, and wrapped up with Dew Tour's signature event under the night lights - the **Men's & Women's Ski and Snowboard Streetstyle**.

Snowboard Slopestyle Women's Final

The female field faced challenging conditions due to colder temperatures, with speed being the biggest competitor in clearing the last jump of the run. New Zealand's **Zoi Sadowski-Synott** established her lead early in the competition with her ability to adapt to the course and interpret the features with her unique style. Her winning run included solid technicality on rails at the top of the course, into a front 7 melon and smoothly landing a massive backside 900 spin - resulting in a seven point lead ahead of runner-up **Enni Rukajarvi** (FIN) after run number three.

"It has always been a dream to do well at Dew Tour. This was the first comp I was ever invited to and to do well for once, I'm stoked. I'm just happy to be back competing, especially with all the girls. I haven't seen them all in nine months so just to be back amongst the mix of all the best female snowboarders in the world is pretty sick," said Sadowski-Synott.

Japan's Kokomo Murase clinched the third podium spot.

The top USA women were unable to break into the top three spots, with Dew Tour rookie **Courtney Rummel** (West Bend, Wisc., USA) finishing in fourth position to secure important points towards her chances of representing Team USA in the Winter Olympic Games in Beijing. **Julia Marino, Hailey Langland** and veteran **Jamie Anderson** finished in seventh, 10th and 12th respectively.

Men's Snowboard Slopestyle Final

Arguably the most exciting competition of the day, in the Men's final, **Mark McMorris** (CAN) set the bar high in Run 1 with a score of 90.00 while his fellow competitors struggled with speed in the first run - similar to the Women's Slopestyle final. McMorris held onto the lead through the majority of the competition until things started to heat up with the last five competitors in the last run.

Beginning with **Sean FitzSimons** (Hood River, Ore.) who jumped from 21st position into second to shake up the rankings, followed by the last two competitors to go - local Silverthorne heroes and Olympians **Chris Corning** (USA) who upset McMorris as the second to last competitor to ride, and **Red Gerard** (USA) who leapt over both to defend his Dew Tour title in the last moments of the competition.

"I can't imagine being a judge right now with those last runs. Speechless. I cannot believe it. I told Sean FitzSimons up top, 'Don't leave anything on the table, just go.' The U.S. team is thriving right now. I can't describe back-to-back wins...just speechless," said a visibly emotional Gerard physically pinching himself.

Twelve Americans made up the 25-person final.

Men's Ski Superpipe Final presented by Toyota

Superpipe conditions were ideal for maintaining speed and control down the 22-foot walls of the pipe for athletes to show off their best runs. Coming off a victory from the Copper Grand Prix last week, Olympic silver medalist and two-time Dew Tour champion **Alex Ferreira** (Aspen, Colo., USA) brought the heat in run 2 and laid down the two high scores of the competition.

In his last run, he upped the level of difficulty even more with a combination trick: 1620 to 1440 combination: a switch left side 1080 tail grab into the right side double cork 1620 tail grab into a left side double cork 1440 safety grab and switch down the pipe double cork 900 Japan grab and finished it off with a left side 1260 Double cork safety. His final high score was a 95.75 after claiming the second highest score of a 94.75 in run 2 sealed the win.

"I'm just super excited. I've never done well in Copper except last week and this week, so it must be my year out here in Copper. I'm very grateful. There was a lot of tension up on top - scary, nervous, whatever you want to call it. Maybe I overcame that today. There was a lot of spinning in that run and I've never done it before. There's just a lot of pieces to the puzzle and this is pretty incredible not just for my result but for my mental game as well," said Ferreira.

Aaron Blunck (Crested Butte, Colo.) looked confident on his third run as he executed double cork on every wall, a score of 94.00 that was solid enough for a Team USA first and second place on the podium. **Brendan McKay** (CAN) finished in third.

STREETSTYLE FINALS

The day capped off with Dew Tour's signature and crowd favorite **Streetstyle** event where fans lined around the entire course to cheer on the women's and men's ski and snowboard jam session as they competed for the title, best trick and prize money. Held under the night lights and full moon, scoring was based on consistency, overall impression and use of the full park features. The evening also ended with a fireworks show to end a full day with an exclamation point.

Women's Ski Streetstyle Final

The **Women's Ski Streetstyle Final** featured heavy hitters **Kelly Sildaru** (EST) and **Eileen Gu** (CHN). Sildaru, who won second in the Women's Ski Superpipe final yesterday, snuck into first position in the last few seconds of the jam session for her technical and stylish hits and best use of the park features.

Johanne Killi (NOR), who has an accomplished slopestyle and streetstyle history at Dew Tour, claimed second place for executing multiple switch tricks down the rails. Gu took home third place in addition to the Best Trick award for her Switch Lip 270 Pretzel 270. The Streetstyle competition makes this her third podium finish: with a win in Superpipe, a second in Slopestyle.

Women's Snowboard Streetstyle Final

The **Women's Snowboard Streetstyle Final** exuded high energy where fun and creativity was the name of the game from spectators and competitors cheering on the entertainment. Ellie Weiler (Highland Ranch, Colo.) showcased a crowd pleasing 50/50 over the bottom of Alexis Roland's board; who took home the Best Trick prize as well for her 270 on Boardslide, 270 Out.

But it was Roland who won the favor of the judges with her lines and best trick. First known to the world as a ripping six-year-old snowboarder, she has been able to translate that talent into a strong career as a street rider.

"I love the energy, I love the format, you guys always have such a creative line. It's Dew Tour for God's sake, what's not to love!?! I do this for women's snowboarding. I do this because I love the culture and I want women to snowboard. I think it's beautiful and I just want to share that," said Roland (Bloomington, Minn.).

Men's Ski Streetstyle Final

The course was hot for the **Men's Ski Streetstyle Final** with multiple requests for **Alex Hall** (Park City, Utah) to show off a flip. Canadian **Max Moffatt** (Guelph, ONT.) ramped up the crowd when he locked in the best trick of the night - a backside 540 switch up on transfer. But it was Hall who put on an impressive show to take home a second win after winning second place in the Slopestyle final yesterday.

"It was all about having fun tonight. I was feeling really tired before and didn't get to ski the course too much, but Streetstyle is just about coming out and having fun with the boys and not taking it too seriously. That being said, everyone sends it. You get in that vibe and that energy. It was super fun," said Hall.

Men's Snowboard Streetstyle Final

The last competition of the day was the **Men's Snowboard Streetstyle Final** as a pumped up crowd got louder throughout the evening to support their favorite riders. **Luke Winklemann** (Blowing Rock, N.C.) who turned 21 today got the best gift of all as he took home the Streetstyle win.

"After a tough day at Slopestyle, I came out here with no expectations – literally just wanted to have fun. I'm in shock right now that I won, so this is amazing. The vibe was unbelievable. Everybody is screaming, having a great time. All the riders at the top are smiling and having a blast," said Winklemann.

Slopestyle sensation **Sebastian Toutant** (Montreal, CAN) took home second place as well as Best Trick - a Front 4 to 360 Switch Up, Front 4 to Fakie.

TOP THREE PODIUM RESULTS

* Full results can be found in the Media Hub

Snowboard Slopestyle Women's Final

Field of 15, 3 Runs

1. Zoi Sadowski-Synnott (NZL), 97.75
2. Enni Rukajarvi (FIN), 90.75
3. Kokomo Murase (JPN), 87.75

Men's Snowboard Slopestyle

Field of 25, 2 Runs

1. Red Gerard (USA), 93.25
2. Chris Corning (USA), 91.50
3. Mark McMorris (CAN), 90.00

Men's Ski Superpipe Final presented by Toyota

Field of 10, 3 runs

1. Alex Ferreira (USA), 95.75
2. Aaron Blunck (USA), 94.00
3. Brendan McKay (CAN), 92.25

Men's & Women's Ski Streetstyle

Field of 12 and 35 min jam session (Men's) / Field of 9 and 20 min jam sessions (Women's)

Men's	Women's
1. Alex Hall (USA)	1. Kelly Sildaru (EST)
2. Tucker FitzSimons (USA)	2. Johanne Killi (NOR)
3. Max Moffatt (CAN)	3. Eileen Gu (CHN)
Best Trick: Max Moffatt	Best Trick Winner: Eileen Gu

Men's & Women's Snowboard Streetstyle

Field of 13 and 35 min jam session (Men's) / Field of 9 and 20 min jam session (Women's)

Men's	Women's
1. Luke Winkleman (USA)	1. Alexis Roland (USA)
2. Sebastien Toutant (CAN)	2. Grace Warner (USA)
3. Benny Milam (USA)	3. Kaleah Opal (USA)
Best Trick: Sebastien Toutant	Best Trick: Alexis Roland

DEW TOUR SCHEDULE - SUNDAY, DEC. 19, 2021

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19

Press Center Hours: 8 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

<u>Times</u>	<u>Practices / Competitions</u>	<u>Venue</u>
8:30 am - 9 am	Women's Snowboard Superpipe presented by Toyota Warm-up	Superpipe
9:10 am - 9:55 am	Women's Snowboard Superpipe presented by Toyota FINALS	Superpipe
10:10 am - 10:40 am	Men's Snowboard Superpipe presented by Toyota Warm-up	Superpipe
10:50 am - 12:05 pm	Men's Snowboard Superpipe presented by Toyota FINALS	Superpipe

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