

WINTER DEW TOUR 2021: Chloe Kim and Yuto Totsuka Win Snowboard Superpipe Finals presented by Toyota

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The final day of the 2021 Winter Dew Tour culminated with the highly anticipated Men's and Women's Superpipe Finals presented by Toyota.

Women's Snowboard Superpipe Presented by Toyota

In the Women's final, Olympic gold medalist and two-time Dew Tour champion **Chloe Kim** (USA) established the U.S. dominance in women's Superpipe when she landed the winning run in her third and final attempt, after falling on runs one and two. Kim boosted out of the pipe with her signature power and amplitude, landing two technical back-to-back 1080s to unseat halfpipe veteran **Queralt Castellet** (ESP) out of the first position.

"That was so stressful. I hate when I'm in that situation where it comes to the third and final run. I'm just so grateful. I actually was thinking about backing off and not doing the Cab 10 but I'm so happy I did it. Just putting myself in those high-stress situations especially with the Olympics coming up is pretty important. Happy I was able to pull through!"

China's Cai Xuetong finished in third after being in the top spot after Run 2.

Men's Snowboard Superpipe Presented by Toyota

History was made in the Men's Final when **Ayumu Hirano** (JPN) attempted and landed the first-ever frontside triple cork 1440 in halfpipe competition today. Though Hirano was able to lay down a solid run in his first attempt, he was unable to improve upon his first score and finished in fifth.

The Japanese continued their reign in the halfpipe with **Yuto Totsuka** (JPN) and **Ruka Hirano** (JPN) finishing in first and third place respectively. However, **Taylor Gold** (USA) stood in their way of a complete podium sweep, as he put down a highly technical and unique line in his first run to earn the high score of 92.00 – a lead that he held onto until Totsuka's third run.

Totsuka's win was decided when he put together an even more technically difficult line with more amplitude, speed and spins that included a massive frontside 1440, cab 1260, switch backside 1080, backside double cork 1260 and frontside double cork 1260.

"This is my dream. I am feeling very relieved [after winning Superpipe today]. I really liked the pipe - it's so good! I'm so happy to win after getting third last week [at Grand Prix]," said Totsuka. "It was crazy to see Ayumu do the triple cork."

The final big moment of the competition was witnessing halfpipe icon **Shaun White** taking the stage for his last time at Dew Tour. After his binding broke on the first two runs, White was unable to land a podium run in his last effort. Throwing his gloves and goggles to the fans, White emotionally addressed the crowd.

"I'm so happy to put one in. Thank you everyone for being here. This is my last Dew Tour so thank you, Dew Tour. Thank you everyone here. I appreciate you!" said White.

TOP THREE PODIUM RESULTS

* Full results can be found in the Media Hub

Women's Snowboard Superpipe Presented by Toyota Field of 8, 3 Runs

- 1. Chloe Kim (USA), 96.00
- 2. Queralt Castellet (ESP), 95.00
- 3. Cai Xuetong (CHN), 89.00

Men's Snowboard Superpipe Presented by Toyota Field of 10, 3 Runs

- 1. Yuto Totsuka (JPN), 95.50
- 2. Taylor Gold (USA),92.00
- 3. Ruko Hirano (JPN), 89.00