

# MTB World Cup XC #3 & DH #2 - CDM

## Champery, Switzerland, June 9-10, 2007

### Race 4 - June 9: Elite Women 4X

#### Kintner passes all

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Jill Kintner from GT Bikes scored a win in round two of the 4-cross World Cup event in Champery, Switzerland, on Saturday and also got the leader's jersey for the series, despite having to come from behind in her final to win.

After only three heats torrential rain moved in, sending everyone scurrying for cover. Officials elected to wait out the rain, which proved to be the right move, since racing was able to resume within half an hour of being stopped.

The rain made some sections slick, especially at the bottom out of the last turn when the riders hit pavement - which a number did literally. A big mud puddle in that last corner added greatly to spectator amusement when riders went face first into it.

Kintner, Rachel Seydoux of Switzerland, Fionn Griffiths (Norco) and Mio Suemasa made the women's final, with World Cup leader Anneke Beerten (Bikepark.ch) missing it and having to settle for winning the ride-off for fifth. Beerten unclipped in her semi-final and didn't finish in the top-2 to move on.



Jill Kintner (GT)  
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Kintner hit the gate early, and therefore didn't not come to the first corner in her usual place at the front. In fact, she was last out of the gate, but showed that she was the class of the field by picking off the other three riders easily by the halfway mark.

"I thought I was ready and hit it right, but I hit the gate. After that I had to make three passes, but I had everybody covered on the straightaway, or I could get by them on the final sprint on the pavement."

Newcomer Seydoux took second, with Griffiths third.

### Results

#### Final

- 1 Jill Kintner (USA) GT
- 2 Rachel Seydoux (Sui)
- 3 Fionn Griffiths (GBr) Norco/Griffiths
- 4 Mio Suemasa (Jpn)

#### Small final

- 5 Anneke Beerten (Ned) BikeparkCh Tui
- 6 Diana Marggraff (Ecu) Zenith
- 7 Lucia Oetjen (Sui)
- 8 Elisa Canepa (Ita) Playbiker - Iron Horse

#### Qualifications

- 9 Patarina Tothova (Cze)
- 10 Laura Brethauer (Ger)
- 11 Melissa Buhl (USA)
- DNS Eva Castro Fernandez (Esp)