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April 12: Elite women downhill
Birthday girl takes downhill honours

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Great Britain's Tracy Moseley (Trek World Team) took the women's downhill title, celebrating her 30th birthday in style. Moseley was clearly the rider to beat in the women's field after qualifying first.

"It was totally wicked, " said Moseley. "It was tough up towards the top, really technical. I would've preferred the whole course to be like that, because I thought it would never end - none of us like pedalling, we're downhillers!

"The length took a bit out of me, but I knew I had to be flat out the whole way," she said. "It's the best 30th birthday present a girl could wish for."

France's Sabrina Jonnier (Maxxis-Rocky Mountain) set the early fast time in the final of 4:28.61, the first rider to go under four and a half minutes. Her time stood up until the second from last rider came down, Emmeline Ragot (Suspension), also of France, who knocked two seconds from Jonnier's time to move into the Hot Seat.



Tracy Moseley (Trek World Racing)
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However Ragot's time in the Hot Seat was brief, as Moseley was far faster at every time check, eventually winning by over six seconds. Fionn Griffiths (Norco World Team) took fourth, and Canada's Claire Buchar (Chain Reaction-Intense) was fifth, in her first ever podium appearance.

Results

1 Tracy Moseley (GBr) Trek World Racing	4.20.15
2 Emmeline Ragot (Fra) Suspension Center	0.06.38
3 Sabrina Jonnier (Fra) Team Maxxis-Rocky Mountain Bicycles	0.08.46
4 Fionn Griffiths (GBr) Norco World Team	0.12.78
5 Claire Buchar (Can) Chain Reaction Cycles/Intense	0.14.05
6 Floriane Pugin (Fra) Iron Horse-Kenda-Playbiker	0.15.70
7 Melissa Buhl (USA)	0.20.75
8 Myriam Nicole (Fra)	0.21.76
9 Joanna Petterson (RSA)	0.22.33
10 Emilie Siegenthaler (Swi) Scott 11	0.27.13
11 Helen Gaskell (GBr)	0.36.46
12 Sarah Newman (GBr)	0.42.62
13 Anka Martin (RSA)	0.45.18
14 Helene Valerie Fruhwirth (Aut)	0.48.13
15 Elisa Canepa (Ita) Iron Horse-Kenda-Playbiker	0.51.62
16 Risa Suseanty (Ina)	1.02.43
17 Victoria Phillips (RSA)	1.31.98

Teams

1 Trek World Racing	81 pts
2 Santa Cruz Syndicate	72
3 Team Maxxis-Rocky Mountain Bicycles	58
4 GT Bicycles	57
5 Chain Reaction Cycles/Intense	54
6 Animal Commencal	46
7 Iron Horse-Kenda-Playbiker	42
8 Yeti Fox Shox Factory Race Team	40
9 Suspension Center	35

10	Norco World Team	30
11	Monster Energy / Specialized / Mad Catz	30
12	Massi	29
13	Scott 11	21
14	Kenda Morewood	20
15	Duncan Riffle Racing	19
16	Subaru Mountain Bike Pro Team	14
17	Lapierre Powered By Saab Salomon	12
18	MS Evil Racing	11
19	MSC Bikes	8
20	XMS-Devinci World Cup Team	6
21	Ancillotti Doganaccia Racing Team	2
