

Bresset wins her third cross country World Cup of the season

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Pendrel holds on for second as Langvad surprises in third



Julie Bresset (BH-Suntour) wins the Windham World Cup with a surge on the last lap. (Image credit: Dave McElwaine/trailwatch.net)

A classic battle was waged in round five of the women's cross country World Cup between World Cup series leader Julie Bresset (BH - Suntour - Peisey Vallandry) and last week's winner in Mont Sainte Anne, Quebec, Catharine Pendrel (Luna Pro Team). They had attained a 40-second gap over the rest of the field by the end of the first of five laps and never looked back.

The duo rode together for the rest of the race with victory coming down to the climb on the last lap. Bresset had the better attack and came over the top in the lead, while Pendrel had some mechanical problems on the descent. Bresset's winning time was 1:35:36, with Pendrel claiming second, 39 seconds back.

"I'm very happy with my win," said

Bresset. "Catharine was very fast today. I attacked at the right time and she couldn't follow me. Catharine was more comfortable on the downhill than I was, and she attacked me many times, but I still had enough strength left to launch the final attack."

Veteran racer Marie-Helene Premont (Team Maxxis - Rocky Mountain) looked to be a solid bet for third place, based on her strong ride through laps three and four. However, Annika Langvad (Team Easton Rockets) bridged the gap to catch Premont on the final lap. They rode together to the finishing straight where Langvad carried more speed to claim third, five seconds in front of Premont. As Premont faded, she was lucky to stay in front of a charging Georgia Gould (Luna Pro Team), who Premont beat to the line by only one second.

This was Bresset's third World Cup of the Series and she leads the points standings with 1110 points. Pendrel remains in second with 920 points. Bresset seems to have a lock on the Series title unless she has some disastrous finishes in the remaining two races in the Czech Republic and Italy. Premont is third in the series with 630 points.

The Luna Pro Team took the top team honors with three members - Pendrel, Gould and Katerina Nash (seventh) - all finishing in the top 10.

#	Rider Name (Country) Team	Result
1	Julie Bresset (Fra) BH - Suntour - Peisey Vallandry	1:35:36
2	Catharine Pendrel (Can) Luna Pro Team	0:00:39
3	Annika Langvad (Den)	0:01:24
4	Marie-Helene Premont (Can) Team Maxxis - Rocky Mountain	0:01:29
5	Georgia Gould (USA) Luna Pro Team	0:01:30
6	Irina Kalentieva (Rus) Topeak Ergon Racing Team	0:01:49
7	Katerina Nash (Cze) Luna Pro Team	0:02:02
8	Blaza Klemencic (Slo) Felt Oetztal X - Bionic Team	0:02:14
9	Elisabeth Osl (Aut) Ghost Factory Racing Team	0:02:15
10	Maja Wloszczowska (Pol) CCC Polkowice	0:02:33
11	Gunn-Rita Dahle Flesjaa (Nor) Multivan Merida Biking Team	0:02:34
12	Tanja Zakelj (Slo) Orbea Geax	0:03:02
13	Katherine Compton (USA) Rabobank - Giant Off-Road Team	0:03:25
14	Adelheid Morath (Ger) Felt Oetztal X - Bionic Team	0:04:37
15	Lea Davison (USA) Specialized Racing	0:04:55
16	Cécile Ravanel (Fra) GT Skoda Chamonix	0:05:08
17	Esther Süss (Swi)	0:05:39
18	Emily Batty (Can) Subaru - Trek	0:05:55
19	Annie Last (GBr)	0:06:12
20	Alexandra Engen (Swe)	0:06:14
21	Eva Lechner (Ita) Colnago Farbe Sudtirol	0:06:16
22	Lene Byberg (Nor) Specialized Racing	0:07:10
23	Elisabeth Brandau (Ger) Central Haibike Pro Team	0:07:33
24	Katrin Leumann (Swi) Ghost Factory Racing Team	0:07:44
25	Heather Irmiger (USA) Subaru - Trek	0:08:08
26	Tereza Hurikova (Cze) Central Haibike Pro Team	0:08:09
27	Laura Turpijn (Ned) Team Merida Combee	0:08:11
28	Anja Gradl (Ger) Ghost Factory Racing Team	0:08:12
29	Karen Hanlen (NZl)	0:08:52
30	Amanda Sin (Can)	0:09:03
31	Marielle Saner-Guinchard (Swi) Bikepark.Ch Scott	0:09:06
32	Mary Mcconneloug (USA)	0:09:58

33	Sabrina Enaux (Fra) Felt Oetztal X - Bionic Team	0:10:37
34	Hanna Klein (Ger)	0:11:21
35	Jean Ann Berkenpas (Can)	0:11:42
36	Catherine Vipond (Can)	0:11:43
37	Judy Freeman (USA)	0:12:12
38	Nina Homovec (Slo) Orbea Geax	0:13:17
39	Sandra Walter (Can)	0:13:44
40	Mical Dyck (Can)	0:14:27
41	Erin Huck (USA)	0:14:52
42	Katherine O'shea (Aus)	0:15:04
43	Laura Lorenza Morfin Macouzet (Mex)	0:15:14
44	Krista Park (USA)	0:15:24
45	Ann Berglund (Swe)	0:16:46
46	Katherine Sherwin (USA)	0:17:04
47	Cindy Montambault (Can)	0:17:15
48	Daniela Campuzano (Mex) Turbo Bike Team	0:17:42
49	Sarah Kaufmann (USA)	0:18:00
-1lap	Nathalie Schneitter (Swi) Colnago Farbe Sudtirol	
-1lap	Carolyn Popovic (USA)	
-1lap	Zephania Blasi (USA)	
-1lap	Bryna Blanchard (USA)	
-2laps	Rowena Fry (Aus)	
-3laps	Meghan Korol (USA)	
DNF	Magdalena Sadlecka (Pol) CCC Polkowice	
DNF	Chloe Forsman (USA)	

Teams

#	Rider Name (Country) Team	Result	
1	Luna Pro Team	87	pts
2	BH - Suntour - Peisey Vallandry	40	
3	Felt Oetztal X - Bionic Team	40	
4	Ghost Factory Racing Team	32	
5	Team Maxxis - Rocky Mountain	30	
6	Topeak Ergon Racing Team	26	

7	Specialized Racing	25
8	CCC Polkowice	21
9	Multivan Merida Biking Team	20
10	Orbea Geax	19
11	Subaru - Trek	19
12	Rabobank - Giant Off-Road Team	18
13	GT Skoda Chamonix	15
14	Central Haibike Pro Team	13
15	Colnago Farbe Sudtirol	10
16	Team Merida Combee	4