

## DOUBLE PODIUMS FOR AUSSIE MOGUL SKIERS AT CALGARY

Gold for Britt Cox and bronze for Matt Graham provided Australia with two appearances on the podium on Saturday following the first Moguls World Cup of the year in Calgary, Canada.

It's the second time in less than 12-months that Cox has won gold at Calgary and the World Champion said that she was absolutely "stoked" to be back doing what she loves, especially now that she's back in the yellow bib and leading the pack.

"So happy with today, I just feel so lucky to be doing what I love every single day and to finish today in Calgary on top of the podium feels even better," she said.

"It feels great to start the first World Cup of the year with a gold and I just want to keep the momentum moving and progressing my skiing week-to week."

The 23-year-old added that she was "happy to come out here and turn things around in Calgary" after some mistakes at the last Moguls World Cup in Thaiwoo China during December.

Fellow Aussie and Sochi Olympian Matt Graham claimed bronze after a fantastic run in the men's Super Final, finishing alongside Canadian Mikael Kingsbury who won gold and Dimitry Reikherd from Kazakhstan in second place.

"Definitely came here pretty hungry coming off two podiums in China, I was keen to get up there again," he said.

"After having a successful year last year, it was definitely motivating to come back and do well again. Overall I was pretty happy with my two final runs, I just made small mistakes and my bottom air and location sof the landings were slightly off which I think cost me a higher step on the podium.

"I think I had some good energy today and harnessed a good mental state ... [I'm] stoked to come away with a podium and for Britty to get up there on the top step where she belongs was pretty awesome."

Graham's fellow Aussies weren't able to make it to the 16-man final, with James Matheson finishing 24<sup>th</sup>, Rohan Chapman-Davies 30<sup>th</sup> and rookie Cooper Woods-Topalovic 39<sup>th</sup>.

Cox however was joined in the first final of the day by Claudia Gueli and Sophie Ash who both finished in the top 15. Both skied to career best restuls, Gueli finished 10<sup>th</sup> while Ash was 14<sup>th</sup>.

The next destination for the Aussie mogul skiers is Deer Valley, USA, with the next World Cup kicking off this Wednesday.

"We have a really quick turnaround this week, but I love Deer Valley," Cox said.

"I love the course and we also have a lot of Aussies coming there to support us including my mum, dad and brother so really excited to see them and to get back on Champion Course."

"We trained hard in the offseason, put in a lot of work," added Graham.

"As long as my bags arrive I'll be fine!"

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