

## The U16 category of the Borrufa Trophy 2014 starts with great parity.

In both boys and girls, the U16 category was won by only a few hundredths of a second on the first day of the Borrufa Trophy 2014, which was determined by the weather and the parity, especially amongst the girls.

The Spaniard Aingeru Garai and the British Anna Henderson were the winners of today's intense and close races.

In this category, the competition started off on the slope Les Canals with the Special Slalom and then continued on the slope Portella del Mig with the Supergiant slalom. The first heat's results already pointed towards a very close fight for the winning positions and, in fact, at the end, the difference amongst the 6 first girls was less than 1 second. Amongst the boys, it was also a difference of less than 1 second that separated, in this case, the first three competitors.

| Monday, 27 January 2014 |                 |                                   |                                   |             |             |               |               |  |
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| Г                       | Race            | SC U16/M                          | SC U16/F                          | П           | Race        | SC U16/M      | SC U16/F      |  |
| Data                    | Track           | Les Canals<br>Portella del<br>Mig | Les Canals<br>Portella del<br>Mig | Information | Snow        | Powder        | Powder        |  |
| Tecnichal I             | Start/Finish    | 2237/2117<br>2395/2070            | 2237/2117<br>2395/2070            | nform       | Weather     | Snow and wind | Snow and wind |  |
| cui                     | Vertical Drop   | 120/325                           | 120/325                           |             | Temperature | -5°           | -5°           |  |
| ۳                       | Gates           | 43/35                             | 43/35                             | Race        | Competitors | 72            | 64            |  |
|                         | Homologation N. | 7817/04/05<br>10606/10/12         | 7817/04/05<br>10606/10/12         |             | Start Time  | 10h15/13h30   | 10h15/13h30   |  |

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|                         | Race | SL+SG U16/M      |        |       |         |         |      | SL+SG U16/F       |        |       |         |         |      |
| Classification          | 1    | Aingeru GARAI    | SPA1   | 43'83 | 1'03'71 | 1'47'54 |      | Anna HENDERSON    | GBR    | 41"10 | 1'04'89 | 1'45'99 |      |
| aĦ                      | 2    | Hugo BOUHACENE   | FRA1   | 45'43 | 1'02'42 | 1'47'85 | 0'31 | Carla VILALTA     | SPA1   | 41'73 | 1'04'43 | 1'46'16 | 0"1  |
| ≌                       | 3    | Enric PARELLADA  | SPA1   | 47"17 | 1'01"19 | 1'48'36 | 0'82 | Abril VALLE       | ARG1   | 41'93 | 1'04'25 | 1'46'18 | 0"1  |
| SS                      | 4    | Robert MARTi     | AND1   | 45'60 | 1'03'41 | 1'49'01 | 1*47 | Mariona RAMENTOL  | AND1   | 41'51 | 1'04'74 | 1'46'25 | 0°2  |
| ä                       | 5    | Xander VERCAMMEN | BEL    | 44'63 | 1'05'08 | 1'49'71 | 2°17 | Francesca BARUZZI | ARG1   | 39"12 | 1'07'27 | 1'46'39 | 0*40 |
| S                       | Rank | Name             | Nation | SL    | SG      | Total   | Dif. | Nom               | Nation | SL    | SG      | Total   | Dif  |

Today's winner, Anna Henderson, made the following comment at the end of the races: I realised straight away that today's competition was going to be very tough. The level was very high and I think you needed a good pace but also a great mindset to avoid mistakes.

As for the Andorran skiers, the best were placed fourth in both categories. Mariona Ramentol and Robert Martí showed great skills on the slopes but missed on the podium by not much. In fact, despite competing at a very high level in both heats, the Andorran girl couldn't climb the third step of the podium by only 7 hundredths of a second.

At the end of the day, Santi López (Event director) commented on how the day had gone both for the members of the organization and for the participants: It's been a tough day for everyone. For those who have worked on the slopes, it's been difficult to keep them flat, mainly covering the holes that would appear every time a skier went down. For the skiers, it was a matter of keeping their head in the game in order to avoid those unforeseen traps.

After such a difficult first day, everybody hopes for better weather conditions but the forecast is far from optimistic.

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