

Thomas Jobstl takes first win at OPA final in Chaux-Neuve

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Jobstl wins in Chaux-Neuve - © Uwe Mühlh

Austria's Thomas Wolfgang Jobstl grabbed the victory at the first of two OPA Alpen Cup competition in Chaux-Neuve this weekend. He finished 13.3 seconds ahead of Italian Raffaele Buzzi who grabbed a career-best second rank. Tom Lubitz from Germany ended up on rank three, 34.6. seconds after Jobstl.

Lubitz had been holding the pole position after the ski jumping round with 113.5 metres which put him 24 seconds ahead on Buzzi on the track. The Italian jumped 109.5 metres and claimed a total of 119.2 points, 1.2 points more than Austrian team junior world champion Fabian Steindl who jumped 109 metres and went out on the track 29 seconds after Lubitz.

But in difficult conditions with temperatures known from sprint-time and a hard track, Lubitz was not able to hold onto his advantage. Jobstl advanced round for round and set the fastest time on the track with 26:04.4. Lubitz only had the 22nd time and had to let Jobstl and Buzzi pass on the way to the podium.

The Top Ten was rounded out by Austrians Mraz, Kreuzer and Jetzbacher on ranks five, six and nine, Germany's Phillip Mauersberger and Terence Weber claimed ranks seven and eight and Jan Kirchhofer from Switzerland finished tenth.

In the overall, Fabian Steindl leads with 620 points over Terence Weber (589) with one more competition to go tomorrow, when a 5 kilometre sprint is on schedule in Chaux-Neuve.

Official Results

Ski Jumping Results

Overall Standings