

International downhill biking returned to Scotland in May with sponsorship support from Vattenfall.

The iXS European Downhill Cup took place in the Scottish Borders at Innerleithen and the open event allowed members of the public to pit their skills against the world's best riders.



One of the top competitions on the biking circuit, iXS proved a major attraction for followers of the sport and members of the public. Together with competitors and their road crews the iXS European Downhill Cup provided a major boost to the local economy and its tourism sector. It is hoped that backing for the event from Vattenfall will attract more racing events to Innerleithen and have a positive spin-off for the community and its sporting facilities. The race track runs close to the proposed development area for the Minch Moor wind farm and its access route could complement any future biking layout.