

PRESS RELEASE

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6th Glacierbike Downhill 2009 cancelled

The 6th Glacierbike Downhill from Sunday March 29th had to be cancelled due to bad weather forecast. Until twelve o'clock everyone was hoping the race could take place on a shortened trail. But it was snowing steadily and the temperature was too high. "It was not possible to start the race, because the bikers would have sunk in the fresh snow" the OK informed. Therefore it was decided around 1 pm to cancel the race.

Although after the cancellation of the race the bikers were disappointed most of them still stayed in the glacier village – and they were kind of rewarded. On Sunday despite bad view and snowfall they could go up on the trail and at least test their bikes on the powder snow.

Test Track Freestyle Park

Some of the 150 inscribed bikers had already travelled to Saas-Fee some days before the race and took advantage of the special test trail around the freestylepark Morenia. This trail had been opened for the bikers for one week to test their skills and to get used to the conditions. The riders enjoyed the sunshine on Friday and themselves in the Park jumping with their vehicle over the biggest kickers or the snowbound park gondola that was also a perfect element for them to train.

The 7th Glacierbike Downhill will take place on April 18th 2010.

Facts & Figures

More information on: www.saas-fee.ch/glacierbike

Signs including spaces and leads: 1'409

Notation: Free to publish

Photos / Legend:

Picture 1: <http://www.saasfee.ch/glacierbike/kicker.jpg>

L 1: Philipp Bont jumps over the biggest kicker in the Freestylepark Saas-Fee (Photographer: Michael Suter)

Picture 2: http://www.saasfee.ch/glacierbike/gondel_park.jpg

L 2: The gondola in the Freestylepark Saas-Fee, a great element for the bikers (Photographer: Remo Sennhauser)

Map test trail: www.saasfee.ch/glacierbike/teststrecke.pdf

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