

Perfect Conditions and Lots of Excitement at the 10th Anniversary Edition!

Les Diablerets, August 6, 2017. On Saturday, August 5 under sunny skies, 1,250 runners took part in the 10th edition of the Glacier 3000 Run. Shaban Mustafa from Bulgaria won the traditional 26km run slightly ahead of last year's winner Eric Muthomi from Kenya. Winner of the Glacier 3000 anniversary marathon was Tim Short from England!

The 10th anniversary edition of the Glacier 3000 Run drew 1'250 runners to the starting line of the different races. 210 participants took on the challenge of the first and one-time anniversary marathon. The marathon stretch started at the Gstaad Promenade and continued onto Gsteig, just like the 26km run, and then included an additional loop around the charming Arnensee before going back down to Feutersoey. There the marathon runners met up with the 26 km race runners to take on the big climb up to the rugged glacial landscape. The temperatures were very hot and every slight breeze on top part of the breathtaking stretch was gladly welcomed. The clear blue skies without a cloud in sight made for a unique and spectacular panorama that compensated runners for what they went through during the tough climb. The marathon has been described as the toughest one in Switzerland in 2017. This was confirmed by Race Director Richard Müller after the event, as well as by the winner of the marathon, Tim Short from England, who was beaming as after he crossed the finish line and said, „I have already run lots of marathons, but this was definitely the hardest, yet also the most beautiful one!“ Winning the marathon for the women was the proud Swiss runner Andrea Huser from Sigriswil.

820 runners stood at the start of the classical 26km Glacier 3000 Run. It was an exciting race between last year's winner Eric Muthomi from Kenya and Shaban Mustafa from Bulgaria. It was a very close race between both runners and Mustafa took the lead in the last part between Cabane and Glacier 3000. Michelle Maier from Germany clearly won the women's category.

Also worth highlighting are the results of the Swiss runners. Helmut Perreten, a local from Saanen and ex-Race Director of the Glacier 3000 Run, came in at an amazing 6th place Overall and 3rd for his category. Andreas Kubli from Feutersoey was 24th Overall Marathon and 10th in his category and Priska Schönried was 13th Overall Women Marathon and 2nd in her category.

The Kids Run that took place Saturday afternoon on the Gstaad Promenade was a big success with 170 young runners. Additionally, 51 Nordic Walkers classified, as they completed a distance of 6.2 km between Oldenegg and Glacier 3000.

The organizing committee is very pleased with how well this challenging athletic anniversary event went. Event Manager Claudia von Siebenthal commented, „We are very happy with the number of participants; a total of 1,250 runners from 37 different countries were at the start of the race. The 260 volunteers made for a very smooth event without a single accident. The best reward was clearly the many beaming faces at the finish line. A big thanks goes out to all the volunteers and sponsors.“

The next edition of the 26km race, Nordic Walking and Kids Run will take place on August 4, 2018.

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