



World Champion in Long Distance Mountain Running will be at the Glacier 3000 Run

Les Diablerets, August 3, 2015. This coming Saturday, the starting shot will commence the 8th Glacier 3000 Run. The winner Daniela Gassmann Bahr wants to make a big effort this year – she will be competing against the world champion in long distance mountain running, Martina Strähl from Oeking.

The course profile of the Glacier 3000 Run is unique. Nowhere else do participants run over the eternal ice. The breathtaking running adventure attracts top runners from all over the world to Gstaad each year. This year, organisers can look forward to two runners from Kenya, who will probably be participating. Samuel Njeru Karani and Robert Panin Surum, from the Austrian team *run2gether*, have also said they will sign up. Both demonstrate exceptional performance during mountain runs. Karani has already won the Italian Tre Campanili Half Marathon several times and Surum just recently won the Sky Half Marathon (Marathon del Cielo).

Competing from Switzerland will be ex-Race Director Helmut Perreten from Unterseen. He grew up in Gstaad and won the Ultra Marathon in Zermatt, which took place in July. Also participating are Philipp Feuz from Ringgenberg (member of the Swiss long distance mountain running team for the world championships in Zermatt) and Ralf Birchmeier from Buchs, who has been among the Top 10 runners of the Glacier 3000 Run several times already.

The winner of the Women's category, Daniela Gassmann Bahr from Galgenen, will be competing this year. She was a member of the Women's winning mountain running team at the long distance world championships in Zermatt in July 2015 and she knows the Glacier 3000 Run very well. Her motivation is as strong as ever, already having won the race five times in a row. Each year she continues to amaze the mountain running scene with her performance. Two years ago, she set the course record on the glacier. This year she will be competing against the current world champion in long distance mountain running, Martina Strähl from Oeking. Also competing is Gassmann Bahr's team colleague from the mountain running world championships, Angela Haldimann-Riedo from Niederuzwil, as well as the Inferno Gigathlon and Triathlon winner, Andrea Huser from Aeschlen.

The third place winner from last year, Timea Merényi from Hungary, also said she will be participating this year.

The organisers are very pleased with the record number of registered runners this year. The mountain run has never had so many runners signed up at this time of the year. A few open slots are still available for the race.

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