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Nendaz Freeride FWT Qualifier 4* confirmed for the 2nd of March 2024

Around sixty leading freeriders from all over the world will be in Nendaz this Saturday, 2nd of March 2024 to take part in a competition that is already promising to be fiercely competitive. They will be riding the legendary Mont-Gond after recent well awaited fresh fall of snow.

The Nendaz Freeride 4* is the most prestigious event on the Freeride World Tour Qualifier, both because of the spectacular Mont-Gond slope, which offers riders an infinite number of lines, and because of the great atmosphere. That's why it attracts many international competitors in search of the ultimate challenge.

THE FAVOURITES AND SWITZERLAND'S MEDAL PROSPECTS

In the men's ski category, the entire top 10 of the Freeride World Qualifier are set to meet in Nendaz. Among the contenders are Sweden's Edvin Olsson, currently 1st in the rankings and 3rd last year in Nendaz, and France's Virgile Didier, currently 2nd in the rankings. Both have podium finishes this season, including two victories. Will they continue their incredible winning streak? Eight Swiss are taking part, including Paul Dentan, 3rd in the Nendaz Freeride in 2022, and Victor Hale-Woods, who won two 4* competitions in 2023.

In the men's snowboard category, the favourite is the young Frenchman Gabin Bouzanne. At 19, and in his first year on the Qualifier, he already has two victories and a 3rd place in 4* competition. His fellow compatriots Christophe Charlet and Enzo Nilo have everything to ride for, as do the three Swiss Remi Benamo, 3rd in the ranking and 2 podium finishers in 2024, Eliot Dänzer and Marc Robert.

In the women's ski category, the top three finishers in the FWT Qualifier - France's Kelly Berthon, Austria's Ulla Gilot and Switzerland's Eva Battolla - will battle it out for the podium, alongside Switzerland's Jenna Keller and France's Mia McNab, who finished 3rd in Nendaz in 2022 and 2nd in 2023 respectively.

Competition will be just as tight in the women's snowboarding category, with the top three finishers from the FWT Qualifier also in attendance: France's Noémie Equy, Austria's Sarah Bacher and Lou Ruiz of France. They will have a tough task ahead of them, especially versus Finland's Mikaela Hollsten who has been on the podium several times in Nendaz.

GIRLS POWDER ^{NEW}

This is the new event in the 18th edition of the Nendaz Freeride. On Monday, the 1st of April, girls aged 14 and over can discover the world of freeriding under the supervision of a guide and a renowned female freerider.

THE WORLD'S BIGGEST FREERIDE EVENT

For its 2024 edition, Nendaz Freeride is staging eight competitions for freeriders of all levels and ages. With a total of 500 participants and a staff of over 150, it is the world's largest freeride event.

A Nendaz Freeride village has been set up at the foot of the Tracouet gondola since the 23rd of February and remains there until the 3rd of March. The village is open between 16h and 20h. At the end of the day, it serves as a rallying point for freeriders and the public, for moments of celebration and sharing. It's also where the various prize-giving ceremonies take place.



Have already taken place:

- Nendaz Freeride Backcountry Invitational : for the first time, the competition, which saw a selection of the world's best freeriders and freestylers compete on Saturday the 20th of January, was broadcast live. [Replay](#) / [Results](#)
- Nendaz Freeride Junior 3* FJT : It brought together young riders aged 16 to 18 on Saturday, the 24th of February.
- Nendaz Freeride 2* FWQ : It took place on Tuesday, the 27th of February.
- Nendaz Freeride 3* FWQ : It took place on Thursday, the 29th of February.

In the coming days:

- Nendaz Freeride Kids : The rendez-vous for budding freeriders aged 7 to 14 is set for Saturday, the 2nd of March. [Info](#)
- Nendaz Freeride FWT Qualifier 4* : The highlight of the event, which features some of the world's best riders, is scheduled for Saturday, the 2nd of March (reserve dates: from the 3rd to the 6th of March). [Info](#)
- Nendaz Freeride Video Contest FWT Junior 1* : It is taking place between the 9th and the 10th of March. [Info](#)
- Nendaz Freeride Video Contest FWT Qualifier 1* : It is taking place between the 30th and the 31st of March. [Info](#)
- Girls Powder : the 1st of April. [Info](#)

USEFUL LINKS

- Photos of the 2023 edition : www.swisstransfer.com/d/94206cd7-4b98-4035-8b09-0378a95ebc85
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- Teaser of the 2024 Nendaz Freeride: <https://youtu.be/-tq8lOi7jZk>

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