

23.01.49. Chamonix

Downhill, men

course name: Verte des Houches
course length: 3000 m
vertical drop: 900
weather: sunny & cold
snow: in very short supply
started: 40
finished: 18!

1. Desire Lacroix	FRA	3.11.8*	(16)
2. Zeno Colo	ITA	3.12.8	
3. Henri Oreiller	FRA	3.18.8	(5)
4. Silvio Alvera	ITA	3.24.0	(9)
5. Francois Baud	FRA	3.25.0	
6. Georges Panisset	FRA	3.27.2	
7. Albino Alvera	ITA	3.29.2	
8. Gotlieb Perren	SUI	3.30.0	
9. Fernand Grosjean	SUI	3.32.2	
10. Henning Arstal	NOR	3.37.0	
11. Luciano de Bigontina	ITA	3.39.2	
12. Georges Revial	FRA	3.44.6	
13. Jack Nielsen	NOR	4.01.2	
14. Philippe d Ursel	BEL	4.03.6	
15. Dennis Ferron	BEL	4.12.4	
16. Kjell Aubert	NOR	4.56.4	
17. Jean Bermond	FRA	4.58.4	
18. Jacques Peten	BEL	5.07.3	

DNF(22!):

Bernhard Perren	SUI,
James Couttet	FRA,
Roberto Lacedelli	ITA,
Rolf Olinger	SUI,
Georges Schneider	SUI,
Rinaldo Jacomelli	SUI
etc.	

* new course record (former one - 3.59.0 was established by Oreiller in 1947)

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British Pathe

devotes a 1:33 minutes report to this race, showing numerous falls (among others Oreiller's) and the winning run of Desire Lacroix, available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x25rpmX0hZI>

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and also at its own site

<https://www.britishpathe.com/video/VLVA9Y0DXO1V853346B7FKZ0APLSC-FRANCE-INTERNATIONAL-SKI-CONTEST-IN-THE-ALPS>

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La Settimana Incom 00250 of 11.02.49 provides one minute of this race at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BNzpygNayLI>

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Les Actualites Francais

ends its report with 36 seconds devoted to this race, showing the fall of Oreiller, and winning run of Desire Lacroix available at

<https://www.ina.fr/ina-eclaire-actu/video/afe86004624/journal-les-actualites-francaises-emission-du-27-janvier-1949>