

03.02.1956. Cortina d'Ampezzo

Downhill, men

course name: Toffana
course length: 3461 m
vertical drop: 902 m
number of gates: 15
temperature: -28C/-15C!!
weather: strong wind
snow conditions: sheer ice!
drawn: 86
started: 75/27
finished: 47

1. Toni Sailer	AUT	2.52.2	(14)
2. Raymond Fellay	SUI	2.55.7	(25!
3. Anderl Molterer	AUT	2.56.3	(20)
4. Roger Staub	SUI	2.57.1	(21)
5. Hans-Peter Lanig	GER	2.59.8	(7)
6. Gino Burrini	ITA	3.00.2	(11)
7. Kurt Hennrich	TCH	3.01.5	(46!
8. Charles Bozon	FRA	3.01.9	(17)
9. Bruno Burrini	ITA	3.02.4	(23)
10. Stig Sollander	SWE	3.05.4	(9)
11. Bud Werner	USA	3.05.8	(4)
12. Sepp Behr	GER	3.07.7	(31)
13. Hans Forrer	SUI	3.08.0	(16)
14. Aasle Sjaastad	NOR	3.08.8	(35)
15. Andrzej Gasienica-Roy	POL	3.09.3	(12)
16. Alexander Filatov	SOV	3.16.6	(32)
17. Evzen Cermak	TCH	3.18.0	(38)
18. Georgi Dimitrov	BUL	3.18.1	(62!!
19. Karl Zillibiller	GER	3.21.6	(29)
20. Peppi Schweiger	GER	3.22.2	(1)

21. Viktor Talianov	SOV	3.26.5	(15)
22. Franz Cvenkelj	YUG	3.28.5	(55)
23. Kalevi Haekkinen	FIN	3.29.2	(50)
24. Georgi Waroschkin	BUL	3.30.0	(60!
25. Andre Bertrand	CND	3.31.2	(33)
26. Franz Beck	LIE	3.36.8	(58)
27. Petar Angelov	BUL	3.38.5	(48)
28. Susumu Sugiyama	JAP	3.39.1	(44)
29. Ludvig Dornig	YUG	3.41.1	(36)
30. Charlach McKintosh	GBR	3.41.4	(87!
31. Nicolae Pandrea	ROM	3.46.4	(84!
32. Lars Mattson	SWE	3.50.4	(42)
33. Muzzafer Demirhan	TUR	3.52.2	(63)
34. Nigel Gardner	GBR	4.00.7	(45)
35. William Day	AUS	4.02.0	(54)
36. Francisco Villadomat	SPA	4.02.1	(53)
37. Louis Molne	SPA	4.08.9	(91!
38. Denis Feron	BEL	4.16.6	(89!
39. Mahmoud Beiglou	IRN	4.22.0	(72)
40. Leopold Schaedler	LIE	4.23.7	(85)
41. Vicente Vera	CHI	4.25.4	(79)
42. Ibrahim Geagea	LEB	4.33.1	(69)
43. Jean Kairouz	LEB	4.57.6	(81)
44. Benik Amirian	IRN	5.02.7	(77)
45. Max Hoenlohe	LIE	5.15.8	(73)
46. Aris Vatimbellas	GRE	5.44.2	(90)
47. Christos Papageorgiou	GRE	6.03.2	(92)

DNS(11!):

Raymond Blaesi	SUI,
Guttorm Berge	NOR, etc.

DNF(28!):

Josl Rieder	AUT (2),	(8 th fastest 2 nd split-time),
Ralph Miller	USA (3)	
Lino Zecchini	ITA (5),	
William Beck	USA (6),	(6 th fastest 2 nd split-time),
Walter Schuster	AUT (8),	
Chiharu Igaya	JAP (10)	
Rene Collet	FRA (13),	
Adrien Duvillard	FRA (18),	
Andre Simond	FRA (22),	

Andreas Ruedi	SUI (24),
Jan Zarycki	POL (30),
Paride Milianti	ITA (37),
Marvin Melville	USA (39),
Kaare Opdahl	NOR (43),
Vladimir Krajnak	TCH (47),
Trygve Berge	NOR (49),
Sergey Schustov	SOV (51),
Osman Yuce	TUR (56),
Joze Ilija	YUG (57),
Jaroslav Bogdalek	TCH (59),
Pentti Alonen	FIN (61),
Gheorghe Cristoloveanu	ROM (64),
Gennadiy Tschertistchev	SOV (65),
Robin Brock-Hollinshead	GBR (71),
Herman Kindle	LIE (74),
Jaime Talens	SPA (80),
Reza Bazargan	IRN (86),
Douglas Mackintosh	GBR (93).

2nd split time:

1. Toni Sailer	AUT	
2. <i>Bud Werner</i>	USA	+ 0.7 seconds
3. Roger Staub	SUI	+ 2.0 seconds
and Anderl Molterer	AUT	+ 2.3 seconds
5. Hans-Peter Lanig	GER	+ 3.2 seconds
6. Chiharu Igaya	JAP	+ 3.6 seconds
7. Raymond Fellay	SUI	+ 4.0 seconds
8. Ralph Miller	USA	+ 4.3 seconds
and Hans Forrer	SUI	+ 4.3 seconds

3rd split time:

1. Toni Sailer	AUT	
2. Roger Staub	SUI	+ 1.0 seconds
3. Anderl Molterer	AUT	+ 2.3 seconds
4. Raymond Fellay	SUI	+ 3.2 seconds
5. Hans-Peter Lanig	GER	+ 5.6 seconds

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Official Olympic movie

devotes full **15 minutes** to this event (from 1:15:15 till 1:30:08)

available at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XxMEkRw-YPU&t=1139s>

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There is a color report from this race of

7 and half minutes (from 11:30 minutes till the end)

available at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9FvNdG38KwU>

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In Sigge Bergman's film on 1956 Olympics there is a section of about **5:30 minutes**

(from 18:20 till 23:48 minutes) covering this race available at

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

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British Pathe

has a report of close to 3 minutes covering this race at

<https://www.britishpathe.com/video/oly12-mens-downhill-olympic-skiing>

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1:06 minutes report of this race is

available at

<https://filmlibrary.shermangrinberg.com/?s=file=493076>

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SFW

offers 53 seconds (from 4:17 minutes onwards) of Sailer's, Fellay's and Molterer's run

available at

https://media.zem.ch/01WS/1956/CGS_0708.mp4#t=220,427

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Neue Deutsche Wochenschau Nr. 315/1956

has a report at of 35 seconds (from 8:09 minutes onwards) showing in action Igaya, H. Forrer, fall of Krajnak and winning Sailer's run at

<https://digitaler-lesesaal.bundesarchiv.de/en/video/32419>

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Welt im Bild Nr. 189/1956

has runs of Lanig and Toni Sailer

available at

<https://digitaler-lesesaal.bundesarchiv.de/en/video/30467>

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Opening 30 seconds (out of 1:43 minutes) of report from La Settimana Incom / 01359 covering this race are provided by **Archivio storico Istituto Luce**

at

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FCIyunJQsMs&feature=emb_imp_woyt