

Media Release

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Clean-up Day Andermatt: Trash-collecting in the alpine countryside

This year's Clean-up Day was a great success. Nearly 50 volunteer helpers took the Gütsch Express and Schneehüenerstock Express gondolas up to the highland terrain to look for litter that had accumulated during the winter along the ski slopes and hiking trails. And they collected quite a bit: about 290 kilograms, all told.

On Saturday under gorgeous skies, 47 adults and children met at the valley station of the Gütsch Express gondola in Andermatt. They had come from all over Switzerland to take part in Clean-up Day, organised by Andermatt Swiss Alps, Protect Our Winters Switzerland and Summit Foundation. Also in attendance were numerous ski instructors from the Swiss Snowsports School in Andermatt. Armed with gloves and sacks supplied by the Summit Foundation, the helpers got to work straight away. A lot of debris had been collected in the area, particularly under the chairlifts and gondolas, on the ski slopes and around the military facilities.

292 kilogrammes of litter

The groups met back up at the mid-station of the Gütsch Express gondola at 1 p.m., where the team from the Summit Foundation weighed the trash and the helpers got busy sorting it. A lot of wood and metal had been collected, meaning that most of the material can be recycled. The most unusual finds originated from the army, including ammunition from military exercises.

This was followed by a thank-you for the helpers in the form of a relaxed get-together with food and drinks at the Matti family restaurant on Nätschen.

Figures

- 47 volunteer helpers from all over Switzerland
- 292 kilos of material
- 90 percent of the material sent for recycling (wood, metal, plastic)

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Andermatt Swiss Alps AG - Welcome home

Andermatt Swiss Alps AG, with registered office in Andermatt, plans, builds, and develops the year-round destination of Andermatt. In 2009 Andermatt Reuss came into being, with apartment buildings, hotels, and chalets. The Andermatt Swiss Alps Group also owns Andermatt-Sedrun Sport AG with its cableways, the catering brand Mountain Food, the Swiss Snowsports School Andermatt, an 18-hole, par-72 championship golf course, and the Andermatt Concert Hall. With the hotels, the sports infrastructure, the wide range of events on offer, and the properties, Andermatt Swiss Alps is pursuing the vision of becoming The Prime Alpine Destination. In doing so, it is committed to an intact environment and a sustainable future that will enable coming generations to have an extraordinary home. During high season, the Andermatt Swiss Alps Group has more than 1,000 employees working at the locations in Altdorf, Andermatt and Sedrun.

Andermatt Responsible

With the campaign Andermatt Responsible, the Andermatt Swiss Alps Group is moreover committed to ensuring sustainable, climate-friendly tourism in the Andermatt region. The aim is to facilitate tourism operations in a way that preserves resources. An overview of all projects and the Group's carbon footprint can be found in the <u>Andermatt Responsible progress report</u>.

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