

18.02.1950. Aspen

Downhill, men

course name: Ruthie's run
course length: 3400 m
vertical drop: 800 m
number of gates:14
course setter: Friedl Pfeiffer USA
weather: sunny
started: 58
finished: 48
crowd: 6000

1. Zeno Colo	ITA	2.34.4	(8)
2. James Couttet	FRA	2.35.7	(16)
3. Egon Schoepf	AUT	2.36.3	(9)
4. Bernhard Perren	SUI	2.37.7	(2)
5. Christian Pravda	AUT	2.38.1	(18)
6. Jean Pazzi	FRA	2.38.6	(4)
7. Edi Mall	AUT	2.38.9	(6)
8. Hans Nogler	AUT	2.39.5	
9. Rolf Olinger	SUI	2.39.7	(10)
10. Edy Rominger	SUI	2.40.3	(22?)
11. Franz Gabl	AUT	2.41.1	(3)
12. Hans Senger	AUT	2.41.5	
13. Fernard Grosjean	SUI	2.44.0	(19?)
14. Desire Lacroix	FRA	2.44.2	(30)
15. Francois Baud	FRA	2.45.3	(5)
16. Georges Schneider	SUI	2.45.5	(41)
17. Albino Alvera	ITA	2.46.3	(34)
18. Jim Griffith	USA	2.46.5	(15)
19. Silvio Alvera	ITA	2.46.7	
20. Jack Nielsen	NOR	2.46.8	

21. Engelbert Haider and George Macomber	AUT USA	2.47.1 2.47.1	(23?)
23. Tine Mulej	YUG	2.49.0	(21)
24. Hans Hansson	SWE	2.49.2	(11)
25. Dean Perkins	USA	2.50.7	(36?)
26. Yves Latreille	CND	2.51.3	(1)
27. Marius Eriksen	NOR	2.51.4	(26)
28. Yvon Tache	CND	2.51.7	
29. Stein Eriksen	NOR	2.51.8	(17)
30. Bjarne Arentz	NOR	2.53.4	(42?)
31. Bob Richardson	CND	2.53.8	
32. Jack Griffin	CND	2.54.7	
33. Stig Sollander	SWE	2.55.1	
34. Georges Panisset	FRA	2.57.2	(25?)
35. Pentti Alonen	FIN	2.57.7	
36. Dave Lawrence	USA	2.58.5	
37. Rudolf Graf	SUI	2.59.5*	
38. Fred Rubi	SUI	2.59.7	(35)
39. Aake Nilsson	SWE	2.59.8	
40. Kalle Nergaard	NOR	3.03.6	(42)
41. Toni Matt	USA	3.05.8	
42. Hernan Oelckers	CHI	3.11.1	
43. Matevz Lukanc	YUG	3.13.5	
44. John Clifford	CND	3.14.3	
45. Luis De Ridder	ARG	3.22.6	
46. Aimo Vaintainen	FIN	3.23.8	
47. Harald Zur Nieden	NED	3.27.5	
48. Sergio Navarette	CHI	3.29.1	

DNS:

Gottlieb Perren	SUI,
Ole Dalmann	SWE,
Steve Knowlton	USA;

DNF:

Ernie McCullogh	CND (13),
Jack Reddish	USA
Sixten Isberg	SWE,
Leon Goodman	USA,

Arthur Tommy CND (48),
Carlos Eiras ARG;

DQ:

Henri Oreiller FRA (12) (best result at the practice run),
Carlo Gartner ITA,
Claude Penz FRA,
Gordon Morrison CND (40).

* Rudolf Graf SUI had 2nd best split-time before a huge spill 50 m before the finish line

practice run ranking:

1. Henry Oreiller FRA
2. Zeno Colo ITA
3. James Couttet FRA
4. Egon Schöpf AUT

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Final 11:20 minutes of the Dick Durrance's movie "Ski Champs", covering this race, showing in action Latreille, Benno Perren, Baud, Mall, Colo, Schoepf, Ollinger, McCullough, Griffith, Couttet, Stein and Marius Eriksen, Pravda, Mulej, Rominger, Macomber, Panisset, Lacroix, Albino Alvera, Rubi, Perkins, Nergaard, Morrison, Georges Schneider, Arentz, Tommy and Oelckers, can be seen at

<https://vimeo.com/435756095>

or

<https://vimeo.com/497765565>

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Slightly shorter **8 minutes** version of the race (from 25:20 minutes onwards) with 5 minutes of practice runs (from 3:30 minutes onwards) can be seen at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8XhAbDDo23Y>

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3:45 minutes clip (from 17:14 minutes onwards, out the total of 32 minutes) covering this race, from a higher point than the previous video, showing runs of Schoepf, Colo, Georges Schneider, Couttet, Ollinger, Grosjean, Ruby and Bernhard Perren, is available at

<https://www.rts.ch/archives/8322116-le-grand-georges-une-pointure-du-ski.html>

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2 and half minutes of color silent amateur movie, covering this race (from 5:25 minutes onwards)

can be seen at

archiveaspen.org/vimeo-embed/?vimeography_gallery=17&vimeography_video=551528706

and

<https://vimeo.com/551528706>

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Two and half minutes of Durrance movie “Aspen album”, (from 15:10 minutes onwards) covering this race

can be seen at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z1-B1U8oJBE>

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1:46 minutes of Colo’s winning run, along some crashes of less experienced racers are (under misleading title Zeno olimpiadi Oslo 1952)

available at

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

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1:15 minutes of Colo’s run are

available at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rsES-xUkucU>

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There is video of about a minute of Colo’s winning run (from 0:35 till 1:32 minutes) available at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8e-vaWRUI1c>

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1:06 minutes report of this race is

available at

<https://filmlibrary.shermangrinberg.com/?s=file=46576>

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a shorter one of about half a minute, showing mostly falls of less experienced racers is available at

<https://www.britishpathe.com/video/VLVAD41ZJXAYXG9EAJ5CW12CZWKVG-COLORADO-SKI-MEET>

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SFW

has 32 seconds report (from 5:18 minutes onwards) of this race

available at

https://media.zem.ch/01WS/1950/SFW_0422.mp4#t=303,364