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White Turf St. Moritz 2026 - 119 Years of International Horse Racing on Snow

Patrick Gibson wins the 85th Grand Prix of St. Moritz with Snow Player

St. Moritz, 23 February 2026 – **White Turf St. Moritz 2026 concluded on a high note with a spectacular final day. In front of over 11,000 spectators, jockey Patrick Gibson and his horse, Snow Player, secured victory in the CHF 100,000 Evangelos Pistiolis Foundation 85th Grand Prix of St. Moritz. Valeria Walther was crowned “Queen of the Engadin” for the second time. Across the three race weekends, more than 35,000 visitors gathered on the frozen Lake St. Moritz.**

The third race on Sunday brought White Turf 2026 to a close. Over the course of the three successful race weekends, more than 35,000 spectators attended the event on the frozen lake, including 11,000 on the final Sunday alone. With bright sunshine on all three race days, White Turf was presented in outstanding conditions once again. Those unable to attend in person could still enjoy the event, as the final day was broadcast live on Swiss Sport TV HD.

Snow Player triumphs, Walther crowned Queen of the Engadin

The sporting highlight of the day saw Snow Player emerge victorious in a thrilling Grand Prix finish. The German-trained contender from Michael Figge’s yard left Look To Remember with no chance in the closing stages. Defending champion Saadi was unable to make a decisive impact, and Nerion finished third.

Valeria Selina Walther secured the UBS Skikjöring Trophy with a series of consistently strong performances, earning her the title of “Queen of the Engadin” for the second time. Beau Gars confirmed his excellent form by securing another victory for the Allegra Stable Racing Club over 1,300 metres. Fourteenth of July dominated in the trotting races once again. The Bavarian serial winner captured the main event, further underlining his exceptional record on Lake St. Moritz. Barbara Krüsi’s horses achieved a one-two finish in the second trotting race.

Legendary trainer and owner Miro Weiss given a ceremonial farewell

Emotions ran high after the races, when Miro Weiss was given a ceremonial farewell on the frozen lake. The 26-time Swiss champion recorded an impressive 99 victories in St. Moritz and played a key role in shaping White Turf over several decades. Throughout his career, he achieved around 1,213 wins.

New partners enhance White Turf 2026

White Turf St. Moritz welcomed several new partners in 2026, including Aston Martin, who made their debut as Car Partner, providing the official lead vehicle on the frozen Lake St. Moritz. The British luxury sports car brand also sponsored a trotting race each weekend of the event. Additionally, the pop-up concept “Atelier 6” also debuted on the lake. Top chef Niklas Oberhofer collaborated with the Zurich-based brand agency Marc WHO? to present a fine dining concept which attracted many guests during the race weekends.

Family Days set new skikjöring taxi record

On the two Saturdays preceding the White Turf race days – 14 and 21 February 2026 – the White Turf Family Days once again focused on regional young sporting talent. The programme included pony trotting races and the mounted UBS Kids Skikjöring event. Several local sports clubs and associations took part, including the ISC St. Moritz ice princesses, who showcased their skills on the ice rink.

Particular excitement surrounded the popular UBS Skikjöring taxi rides for children, which were fully booked in advance. A total of 46 children enjoyed the ride across the frozen lake, setting a new skikjöring taxi record.

High-resolution images from the race weekends can be accessed [via the following link](#). Please use the photo credits indicated in the captions.

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About White Turf

Held annually since 1907 on the frozen Lake St. Moritz, the White Turf is a world-class event combining exciting horse racing with fine catering, attractive music and art performances against the backdrop of the unique winter mountain landscape. The next White Turf event will take place on 8, 15, and 22 February 2027. The St. Moritz Racing Club organises the event, with UBS as the main partner. www.whiteturf.ch



UBS – Main Partner of White Turf

UBS is a leading global wealth manager and the leading universal bank in Switzerland. White Turf is not only a special highlight for St. Moritz and Switzerland as a whole – international guests also celebrate this unique winter sports event each year in February. UBS is the main partner of the traditional event and title sponsor of the UBS Skikjöring Trophy. In addition, UBS supports the Family Days, an experience program for families with children.