

YETI CLUB – ZERMATT

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY for the Business Year ending October 31, 2025

The general assembly of the Yeti Club was held on December 29th, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at the Alexander Seiler Saal of Mont Cervin Palace hotel. Attending 53 members and 9 members had granted proxies for a total of 62 members with the right to vote. The general assembly, as per the notice of call of November 24th 2025, was called to discuss and resolve on the following

Agenda

1. Approval of the minutes of the General Assembly of December 27th 2024

The minutes of the general assembly of December 27th 2024 sent to the members on January 15th 2025 **was unanimously approved;**

2. President's report

2.1 Highlighted the events of 2025 (February and August);

2.2 Reinforced the goals for 2025: i) to organize also in 2026 the Stammtisch on each Friday in order to foster friendly relations amongst the Yeti members and ii) to grow the number of young Yetis involved in the Club's activities, a second young Yetis ski day was organized on December 27th and it was a great success: we intend to continue to organize more occasions for the Young Yetis to get together;

2.3 Updated the assembly on the number of members: as per October 31st the members were up to 197: 64 main members, 41 elite members, 25 junior members, 59 e-members, 3 honorary members. We then have 4 sponsor members.

2.4 Introduced the new aspirant guide, Martial Perren. He has been insured with Sodalis accident insurance and with the Legal protection insurance. Once he becomes guide he will also participate to our Pension Scheme Insurance;

2.5 Informed that the 2026 General Assembly will be held **on Monday December 28th, 2026**

3. Approval of the annual accounts as per October 31st, 2025

The vice-president, Mark Ineichen, presented the annual accounts as per October 31st 2025. **They were unanimously approved;**

4. Auditors' report

The vice-president showed the slide with the auditor's review of the yearly accounts and informed that the same auditors will take care of the review of the accounts closing as per October 31st 2026.

The auditor's report was unanimously approved;

5. **Discharge to the Committee**

The Committee **was unanimously discharged;**

6. **Approval of the Budget 2025/2026**

The budget for 2025/2026 presented by the vice-president, Mark Ineichen, **was unanimously approved;**

7. **Mountain Guides President's report**

The President of the Mountain Guide Association gave a brief review of the mountain guides' association year. He spoke about the Young Yeti event, which was attended by many young people, the winter event where it was possible to go on a wonderful ski tour, the heliskiing day where many young Yeti members enjoyed an unforgettable experience, and the summer event, which was marked by a visit to the "Grande Dixence." The mountain guide association has 94 members, 14 of whom are no longer active. The association has had a new aspirant since 2025, Martial Perren. Next year, we should have two new mountain guides. Denis thanked Nicoletta for her great work as president of the Yeti Club. She has had a big impact on the association and strengthened the relationship between the club and the association. Every event was superbly organized and she always participated with great passion. The President of the Mountain Guide Association gifted the President of the Yeti Club a super bunch of flowers.

Finally, a big thank you to all members for supporting the mountain guides through their insurance policies and for joining us in the mountains.

9. **Mountain Rescue Manager's Report**

A brief update on our work this past year.

Together with my team and Air Zermatt, the Rescue Team have executed just over 230 rescue missions in the mountains surrounding Zermatt. Sadly, there were 25 fatalities.

An important task of the Rescue Team job is to inspect all fixed ropes and anchors mostly up on the Matterhorn but also on other mountains as well as the gorge adventure from Furi down to Blatten. Every year at the beginning of the summer season the Rescue Team spends 2-3 days thoroughly inspecting these fixed ropes, anchors and rappel stations, mostly used by the guides to secure their clients on the way up or down and to make it a safer experience. This happens not only on the Matterhorn but also on other mountains around Zermatt where crucial safety gear is in place. It also includes the maintenance of the Klettersteig (Via Ferrata) and the Gorge Adventure. If need be, the Team replaces what appears to be broken, old or used and clean the routes of loose rock where it makes sense. The same inspection is done in the fall as there is a lot of wear and tear during peak season. Up there they always work in teams of two guides. All work is done with the support of Air Zermatt. The helicopter puts us in place and is slinging up the heavy gear for the work necessary.

Thanks to the financial support of the community of Zermatt and the contribution of the YetiClub who is covering the share of the Zermatt Mountain guides

“Zermatter’s” in this matter, the Rescue Team fulfils these important tasks. This way they can ensure a safer work environment for us guides and a great experience for our clients.

On behalf of the entire team and the “Zermatter’s” the Rescue Team thanks the Yeti Club and all members.

10. dates of the Yeti-get together in 2026

Winter get-together 20/21 February

Sommer get-together 14/15 August

11. Miscellaneous

The President thanked: the president of the Mountain Guide Association and the guides who are always ready to help organise sport events for us all and this evening also to show all the slides; Bettina Perren, who has kindly offered to take over again the preparation of the slides for this presentation, Rafael Biner for supporting every year our general assembly gathering.

The President shared the information that she will resign from her position of President of the Yeti Club effective the date of the General Assembly. The Committee thanked the President for the work of the last 6 years and gave as a gift to the President a super picture of the local artist Fränzi Tscherrig.

Mark Ineichen in his quality as vice-president will take over and lead the Yeti Club till the general assembly of 2027 when the new Committee will be appointed. The Committee will decide beginning of 2026 whether or not to replace the seventh committee member.

Zermatt, December 29th, 2025

The President

Honorary Secretary

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