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## Jérémie Heitz's Freeride Adventure in the Pyrenees Comes to a Close

The second stop of the 2017 Freeride World Tour was finally held on Tuesday, the 15th of February in Vallnord Arcalis, Andorra. Not only did the high temperatures make the event difficult, but Jérémie also had a fair bit of pressure to respond to. The skier from "Les Marécottes" in Switzerland didn't get the result he was looking for, finishing in 21st. A few days prior, Jérémie finished in the top ten. The start to the season has not been what Jérémie had anticipated, but with Andorra behind him, it is time to focus on the next stop in Austria.

The organizers of the FWT were forced to wait for a few days before giving the green light for the second competition in place of the cancelled Chamonix stop. On the 15th of February, all the riders headed towards the 420m long Baser Negre face. Jérémie had high hopes going into this second chance in the Pyrenees, but a fairly big crash while gapping some rocks ended those hopes. Needless to say, Jérémie was OK. *"It has been hot the last few days, the snow hasn't been easy to ski. The face today was loaded with sneaky obstacles to avoid. I had chosen a line that I thought would pay off despite the challenge of skiing "fast" on this face. Obviously I'm bummed about the result from the last two legs."* It was Frenchman Léo Slemmet who would take top honours on the day.

Now back in Switzerland, Jérémie will once again head up into the mountains to ski as much as possible to regain some confidence. *"I can't allow myself to make mistakes any longer if I want to contend for the title. I have to find the right balance to get the results I'm looking for."*

The next stop of the Freeride World Tour will take place between the 6th-11th of March in Fieberbrunn, Austria.

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