



Thyon - 4 Vallées, Valais, Switzerland

GANGS OF THYON by Rip Curl

7th edition

Saturday the 10th and Sunday the 11th of March 2012

THYON CENTRALPARK

Another battle of the Gangs is coming to Thyon !

GANGS OF THYON – CentralCamps main event - is back in action the weekend of March 10-11th at CentralPark. The 7th edition will bring together over 60 participants battling in the snowboard and freeski categories, while riding together in crews of 4 – the « GANGS ». All the gangs will be fighting to take home the coveted title « Gang of Thyon 2012 » ! On Sunday a revolutionary new event concept will turn up the heat... temperatures will be rising at CentralPark !

The 2012 edition of « Gangs of Thyon » will surely be one for the records. With the success of the previous six editions, CentralCamps, with help from Rip Curl and Télé-Thyon, kick off Saturday with the popular « Crew Battle ». However on Sunday a new concept will be introduced which will motivate the riders to push themselves and to maintain the maximum amount of fun !

Saturday : The traditional battle !

With 16 crews of 4 riders the competition demands that all the gangs of snowboarders and freeskiers work as a team to give their best performance with all riders involved. In this competition scores will be given to teams and not to individual riders. Along with this judging will be based on the show given by each team throughout their entire run and not on individual jumps or tricks.

Snowboarders and freeskiers will battle each other within their two distinct categories. Riders will start each run in their team and will try to exploit all the features of CentralPark. Each team will have two runs to prove their right to a ticket to be entered in the final, where eliminations will be done in a knock out system. The winning crew from both the snowboard and ski categories « Crew Battles » will get the honor of their names on the legendary trophy « Gang of Thyon ».

Sunday : : « Black Line JamSession + NO SPIN TO WIN » !

In the morning, for those who survived Saturday night, there will be a jam session on the black line of CentralPark. The bravest riders will go home with a share of the 3,000 chf of prize money.

Sunday afternoon get ready for an innovative breakthrough event in CentralPark !

To switch things up from the current trend in snowboard and freeski events where riders are aiming for the most technical tricks at the greatest heights and with a proposition from their friend and known rider Darius Heritschian, CentralCamps have decided to go back to the roots and essence of freestyle : FUN ! A session will be organized with one limit : MAXIMUM 180° rotations. Any rotations over that are forbidden ! Riders will need to use their imagination in their grabs, showcase their style and elevate themselves to their best levels.



Side note : This session will be open to everyone. However, the morning session remains reserved for the riders who participated in the battle on Saturday

Saturday night !

This year the party will take place at the After Bar. CentralCamps parties no longer need to be explained. If you don't know why it is time you discovered for yourself ☺ !

Event Program :

SATURDAY March 10, 2012

8h30-9h30 : Accreditations at the tourist office __ Collons 1800
9h00-10h30 : Training __ CentralPark
11h00-12h30 : Qualifications __ CentralPark
12h30-13h30 : Break __ CentralPark
13h30-15h : Battle – Gangs of Thyon by Rip Curl __ CentralPark
17h00 : Naming of the Gangs of Thyon by Rip Curl __ Hôtel de l'Ours, Collons 1850
22h00 : Party @ After Bar

SUNDAY March 11, 2012

9h00-10h30 : Warm Up __ CentralPark
10h30-12h30 : Black Line Jam Session, 3'000 chf Prize Money __ CentralPark
12h30-13h00 : Break __ CentralPark
13h00-14h30 : NO SPIN TO WIN __ CentralPark
15h00 : Awards __ CentralPark

General Information about the event :

Name of the contest : GANGS OF THYON by Rip Curl
Date : 10th and 11th of March 2012
Place : Thyon CentralPark, Valais, Suisse

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