

Season start on snow in Arosa – Raneb finished third in the Grand Prix, January 23rd 2011

It was a successful entree into the new season for the 7-year old Raneb who began his sixth racing season under the colors of Golden Arabians.



Above: Raneb with Eric Wehrel before the start of the Grand Prix of Arosa a 1'800 meter race on the frozen mountain lake of Arosa. Foto: Scarlett Schär

His trainer Franziska Aeschbacher gave him a preparation race on snow for the White Turf event which will be held on the frozen lake of St. Moritz mid-February.

It was not at all an easy task for Raneb who had to compete against the best horses on snow running in Switzerland. With the second lowest handicap of 66 kg Raneb was confronted with Schützenjunker, a Group 3 Winner from Germany rated 94 kg.

Raneb ridden by French Jockey Eric Wehrel was travelling very relaxed on the first 1'500 meters in first four horses. At the last 300 meters he had to let go the winning Schützenjunker and second placed King Henry but defended safely his third position ahead of favorite Rayo until the finishing line.