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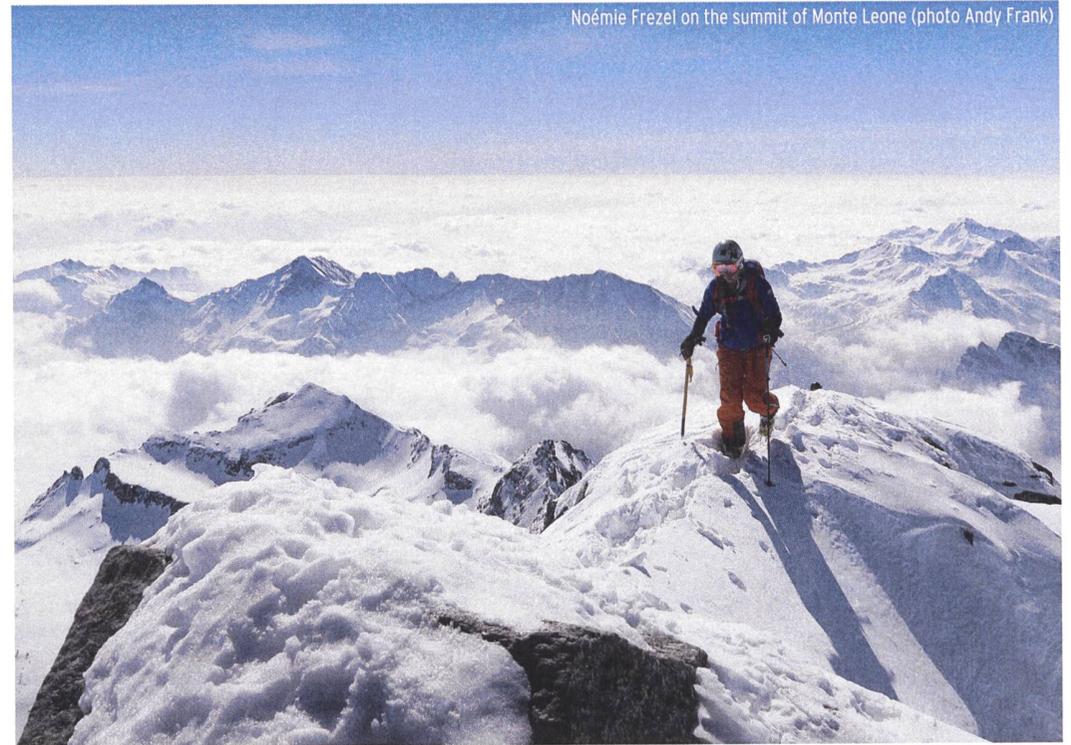
SKIING WITH THE MONKS AT SIMPLON

As every year, there was a big ski-touring weekend in the year 2018, which took place on 24–25 March. The chosen area was the magnificent Simplon Pass, where we stayed in the traditional hospice. The monks impressed us with their calm, uncomplicated and friendly approach and hosted us very well. In total, 24 club members participated and contributed to the success of the weekend. Of course, the fantastic weather helped the already good mood everybody was experiencing. Most of us chose public transport to reach the pass, with the

Postauto stop just in front of the hospice. In the morning, we split up into smaller groups, each with different goals, of which Monte Leone (3553m) and Breithorn (3437m) were the most prominent ones. The snow conditions changed quite a bit during the day and with the sun exposure, from crust to powder and spring snow, so that there was something for everyone. In the evening, we had our well-earned dinner at the hospice and, of course, one or more beers.

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Noémie Frezel on the summit of Monte Leone (photo Andy Frank)



Ascending Monte Leone (photo Andy Frank)

