

A child of the second world war



❖ Today avalanche rescue in the winter of 1937/1938 is regarded as the triggering event for the idea of training dogs on the avalanche. At the Schilthorn a group of 18 people had been buried in an avalanche. All persons were found except the last.

❖ A mix dog scabbled far from the search team and found the person alive

❖ Moritzli was the name of the dog. A mix between dachshund and lowland dog. Ferdinand Schmutz, a well-known cynologist heard about the event and started to train avalanche-dogs. In 1940, Ferdinand Schmutz was able to demonstrate the work to the general Guisan.

❖ In 1943 , the examination regulations were approved and declared official.