

Avalancherisk assessmentbulletin

(valid outside marked and open slopes)

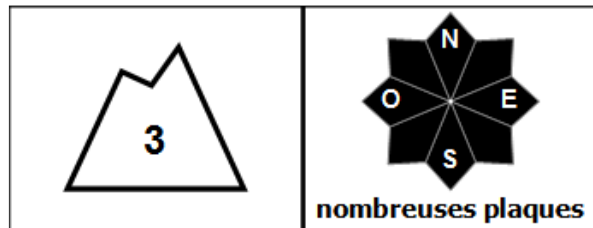
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written on Tuesday,January 19, 2021 at 4 p.m.

Risk estimate until Wednesday,January 20, 2021 in the evening



Marked risk.



Spontaneous starts: purges and rare base plates

Skiers triggering: wind plates

Risk indices: 5 very strong - 4 strong - 3 marked - 2 limited - 1 weak - In black: the most dangerous slopes

Snowpack stability

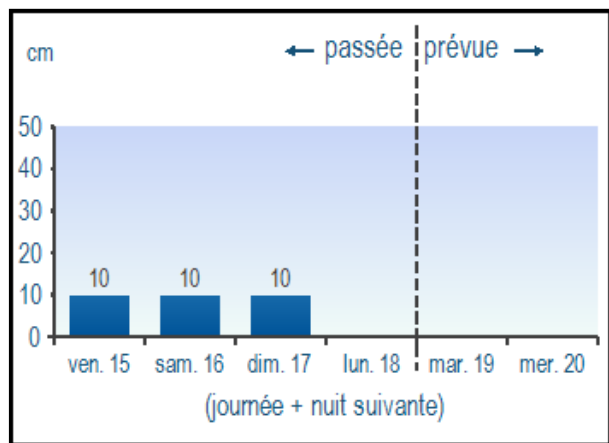
Tricky snowpack. Stabilization in progress but still fragile layers buried at various altitudes and exposures.
Typical avalanche situations: windy snow, persistent fragile underlay.

Spontaneous avalanches: On the one hand, rare patches of bottom on steep grassy terrain 1800/2000 m, on steep sunny slopes.
On the other hand, recent snow avalanches on sunny slopes: departure in point flow, which can trigger a friable slab below. They are generally small in size, rarely large above 2200m.

Accidental triggers:

- temporary wind slabs of recent snow, they have the appearance of powder snow or blown by the wind. They are present in all orientations.
- friable plaques resting on the old, persistent buried fragile layer. They are less numerous than in recent days, but still sensitive and distributed randomly. This phenomenon is especially present above 2000 / 2200m.

Fresh snow at 1800 m



Weather preview

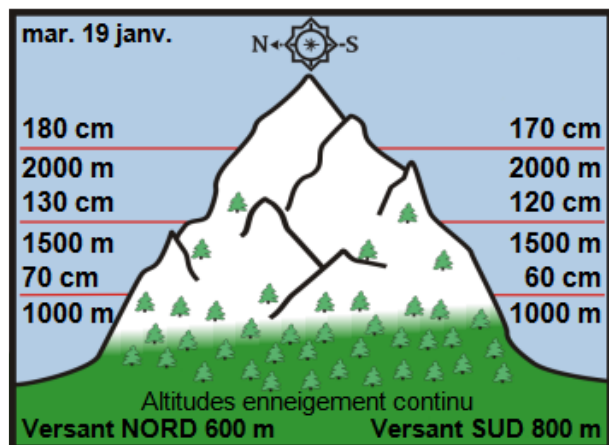
Wednesday 20 January



Rain snow

ISO 0 ° C	2000 m	2300 m	2400 m
Wind 2000 m	↗ 50 km / h	↑ 40 km / h	↑ 50 km / h
Wind 2500 m	↗ 60 km / h	↗ 60 km / h	↗ 70 km / h

Off-piste snow depth



Snow quality

The snow cover has improved significantly with heavy snowfall into the valleys.

Quality: recent heavy snow, in the process of settling. Depth on skis 15/30 cm (on foot 40/60 cm). Locally, a fine, broken crust buried, especially in adrets. The snow becomes heavier in the sun below 1600/1700 m. Accumulations by NW / N winds. Crests blown in dense snow that keeps the skis. Cornices.

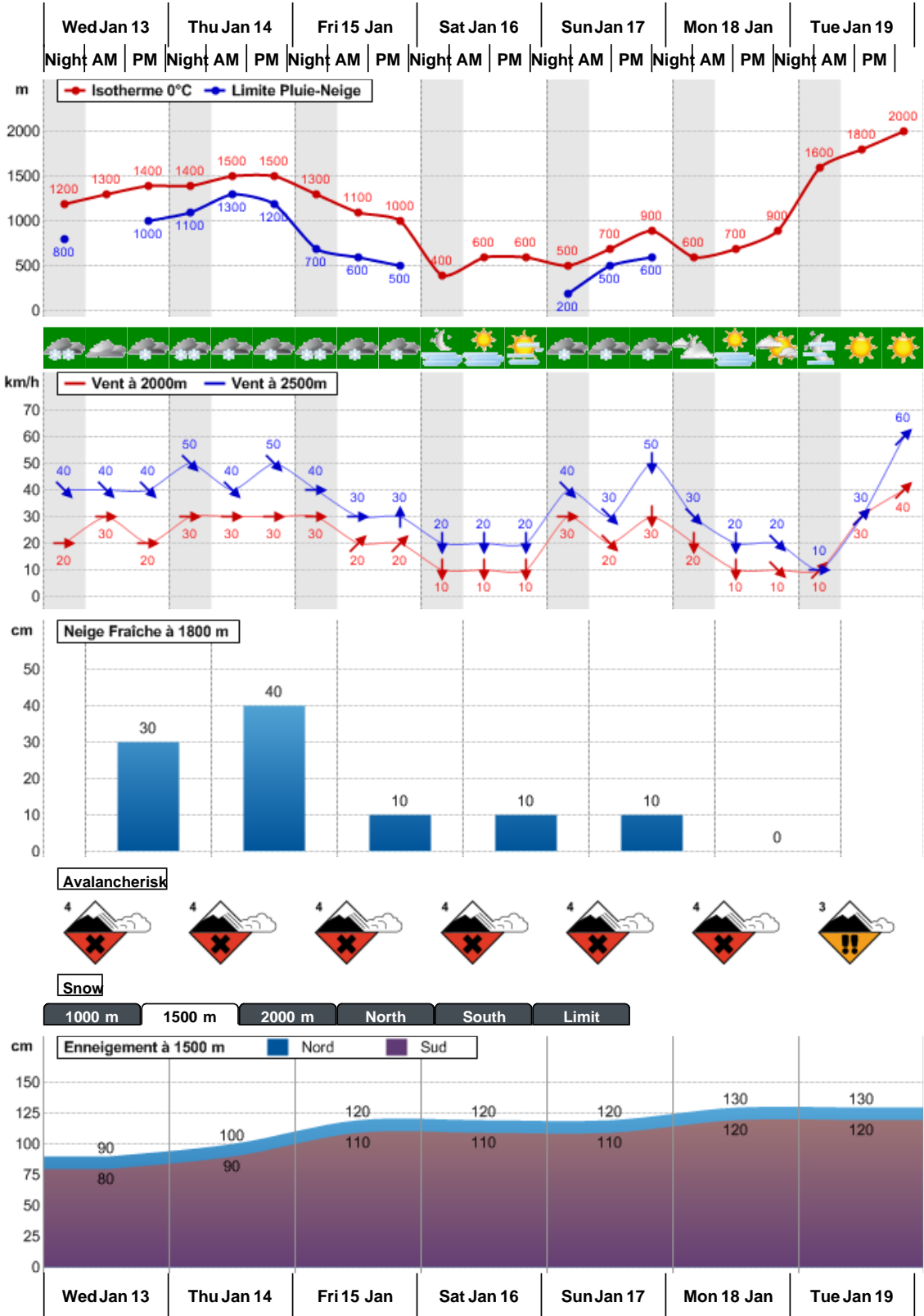
Thursday 21:



Friday 22:



Nivo-weather conditions of the last 7 days



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