



A hearty aroma draws hundreds to the Alpenstrasse for free coffee.

Record or not, coffee break claims world-class status

In 1983 Alpenfest organizers attempted to get the World's Largest Coffee Break into the Guinness Book of World Records.

That year the coffee break served 2,379 people, who consumed 110 gallons of water, 1,567 cups of coffee, 880 half-pints of milk and 1,400 doughnuts.

That sounded world-class to the Alpenfest Committee.

Unfortunately, a letter received from the Guinness people said there was no category for World's Largest Coffee Break, so no listing was made for the Alpenfest entry.

But the break is still the world's largest as far as Alpenfest aficionados are concerned.

Just consider the facts: over the years, since 1965, it is estimated that the coffee break has used 1,250 gallons of water, 300 pounds of coffee and 75,000 doughnuts to serve around 22,000 people.

It's a world record if there ever was one.

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