

Swiss Quiz Championships 2023, Bern

On 11 November, the Swiss Quiz Championships took place at Cafe Hueber in Bern. At 10.30 a.m. more than 20 expectant quizzers gathered to take part in the four different competitions:

- Singles Championships (special classification under 30y)
- Doubles Championships
- KnockOut Quiz
- Buzzer Quiz



After the short qualification round for the buzzer quiz ("Last Quizzer Sitting"), the doubles championships got underway. With 50 questions to be answered in 30 minutes, an average score of 29.3 points was achieved. The following pairs who beat this average score also made it onto the podium:

Swiss Quiz Championships 2023 - Doubles			
1.	Marcel Zumstein	Prakhar Gupta	41
2.	Patrick Kreis	Lili Ninova	33
3.	Therese E. Müller	Renato Carlotti	30

See below for the overall ranking.



Marcel, Prakhar



Lili, Patrick



Therese, Renato

The next event was the new KnockOut Quiz format. Two quizzers were assigned to each other, who then played against each other in several rounds.

After each round of 6 questions, the results were announced and the player with the better result advanced to the next round. The following pairings were then on the program for the semi-finals:

Semi-Finals	Result
Marcel Zumstein - Paul Ratcliffe	4 - 3
Markus Walser - Renate Schär	3 - 2
Rajan Thambehalli - Dimitrije Spasic	4 - 1
Markus Klein - Renato Carlotti	3 - 1

The final was then played out in such a way that after 6, 9 and 12 questions the lowest number of points led to elimination. The result was:

Swiss Quiz Championships 2023 - KnockOut		
1.	Rajan Thambehalli	Winner in the tiebreaker
2.	Marcel Zumstein	Runner up in the tiebreaker
3.	Markus Walser	Eliminated after 9 Qs
4.	Markus Klein	Eliminated after 6 Qs



Rajan



Marcel



Markus Walser (and Markus Klein)

The buzzer quiz, which was held for the second time, was extremely exciting. After evenly matched preliminary rounds, the following final matches were played.

3rd Place Match	Resultat
Marcel Zumstein – Rajan Thambehalli	2 - 3
Final	
Prakhar Gupta – Charlie Sarbach	5 - 4

Swiss Quiz Championships 2023 - Buzzer

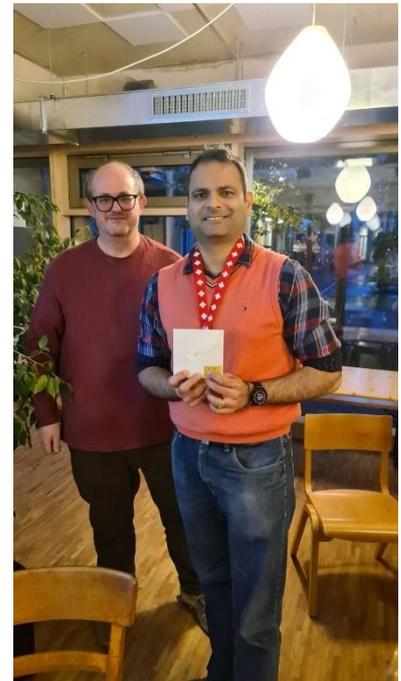
1.	Prakhar Gupta
2.	Charlie Sarbach
3.	Rajan Thambehalli
4.	Marcel Zumstein



Prakhar



Charlie



Rajan

The highlight of every quiz championship is, of course, the individual quiz. Before the quiz could start, however, we wanted to fulfil a sad duty. After a serious illness, our long-standing member and multiple quiz champion Andreas Kröll passed away in October. In his memory, the executive board has therefore decided to organize the individual quiz in his name.

This year, 80 questions had to be answered in 50 minutes. An average result of 38.8 points was achieved. Marcel Zumstein became the new Swiss quiz champion in the individual quiz in an extremely exciting final with 52 points and thus one point ahead. Congratulations to him.

For the first time, a special U30 category was also organized, in which Charlie Sarbach came out on top with a very good 36 points. The two podiums are as follows:

Swiss Quiz Championships 2023 - Singles		
1.	Marcel Zumstein	52
2.	Renate Schär	51
3.	Markus Walser	49
4.	Patrick Kreis	47
5.	Rolf Schneebeli	46
Swiss Quiz Championships 2023 – Singles (U30)		
1.	Charlie Sarbach	38
2.	Dimitrije Spasic	28

See below for the overall ranking.



Markus, Marcel, Renate, Rolf, Patrick



Charlie, Dimitrije

We would like to thank all participants and organizers for what we think was a very successful event and hope for an equally successful repeat next year.

We were particularly pleased to welcome some new faces, some of whom were even very successful. It would be great if we could continue to grow our quiz community in this way. Hence our request: Everyone advertise vigorously.

We would also be delighted if we could welcome some of you from time to time to the regular quizzes in Zurich, Bern, Lucerne, Lausanne, and Basel. Please check the homepage <http://www.quizzing.ch> for the dates.

Finally, thanks to the quiz authors:

Doubles Quiz: Rajan Thambhalli

Buzzer Quiz: Marcel Zumstein & Markus Klein

KnockOut Quiz: Prakhar Gupta

Singles Quiz: Markus Klein

And of course, also to the team at Cafe Hueber.

Singles Quiz Rankings

Swiss Quiz Championships 2023 – Singles (80 Qs)		
1	Marcel Zumstein	52
2	Renate Schär	51
3	Markus Walser	49
4	Patrick Kreis	47
5	Rolf Schneebeli	46
6	Norwin Amiet	45
	Prakhar Gupta	45
	Paul Ratcliffe	45
9	Samuel Felder	43
10	Renato Carlotti	42
11	Andy Vetter	40
12	Mark O'Neil	39
	Rajan Thambehalli	39
14	Julian Steiner	37
15	Charlie Sarbach (U30)	36
16	Helene Portmann	35
17	Kay Wacker	33
18	Dimitrije Spasic (U30)	28
19	Manuela Schwegler	23
20	Therese Elisabeth Müller	21
21	Lili Ninova	19
*	Manuel Hobiger	52
*	Sebastian Küppers	41
		Ø 38.8

* Played from home, so no official rank

Doubles Quiz Rankings

Swiss Quiz Championships 2023 – Doubles (50 Qs)			
1	Marcel Zumstein	Prakhar Gupta	41
2	Patrick Kreis	Lili Ninova	33
3	Therese E. Müller	Renato Carlotti	30
4	Patrick Ruckstuhl	Andy Vetter	29
5	Rolf Schneebeli	Markus Walser	27
6	Kay Wacker	Dimitrije Spasic	26
7	Renate Schär	Markus Klein	25
	Paul Ratcliffe	Mark O'Neil	25
9	Manuela Schwegler	Helene Portmann	24
10	Charlie Sarbach	Samuel Felder	22
11	Mihajlo Nenad	Till Odermatt	20
12	Julian Steiner	Beat Steiner	18

General overview - KnockOut Quiz

Marcel Zumstein				
Freilos	Marcel Zumstein	5+1		
Lili Ninova	Rolf Schneebeli	5		
Rolf Schneebeli			Marcel Zumstein	4
Mark O'Neil			Paul Radcliffe	3
Freilos	Mark O'Neil	3		
Paul Radcliffe	Paul Radcliffe	3+1		
Freilos				
Renate Schär				
Freilos	Renate Schär	4		
Kay Wacker	Kay Wacker	3		
Freilos			Renate Schär	2
Markus Walser			Markus Walser	3
Freilos	Markus Walser	5		
Helene Portmann	Samuel Felder	3		
Samuel Felder				
Rajan Thambehalli				
Freilos	Rajan Thambehalli	4+1		
Julian Steiner	Patrick Kreis	4		
Patrick Kreis			Rajan Thambehalli	4
Andy Vetter			Dimitrije Spasic	1
Norwin Amiet	Andy Vetter	4		
Dimitrije Spasic	Dimitrije Spasic	5		
Freilos				
Markus Klein				
Freilos	Markus Klein	3		
Therese Elisabeth Müller	Therese Elisabeth Müller	1		
Manela Schwegler			Markus Klein	3
Patrick Ruckstuhl			Renato Carlotti	1
Charlie Sarbach	Charlie Sarbach	2		
Renato Carlotti	Renato Carlotti	4		
Freilos				

FINAL	1	Rajan Thambehalli
	2	Marcel Zumstein
	3	Markus Walser
	4	Markus Klein