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# Swatch Rocket Air – Team Southwest wins Teambattle

This years Swatch Rocket Air kicked off with an exciting Teambattle. Team South-West won with outraging skills and a lot of charm. Team Skandinavia took second place. Today, the final is taking place where the 25 qualifying riders will get to show their skills. The final will be live streamed on our homepage www.rocketair.ch at 8pm CET.

#### **Team Southwest wins Teambattle**

Two of seven teams made their way into the super final at yesterdays Teambattle. Team Southwest in which last year's winner, Barcelona and riders from Italy and Portugal convened. Team Southwest convinced the judges and stunned the audience with tricks at the highest level combined with a very entertaining show.

The riders from Spain once again managed to entertain the audience with their Spanish craziness and it became clear that the Teambattle certainly is the main reason why the team takes place at the Swatch Rocket Air. Team Switzerland made an awesome appearance with matching costumes. As the biggest team they showed their tricks as Bananas and half naked leopards. Besides the spectacle in the air, the audience was entertained by running monkeys chasing bananas. All-in-all a great atmosphere with a lot of crazy people.

## Prequalification

Out of 30 riders, the top 10 qualified for the second day at Swatch Rocket Air. Jonas Turin, Lukas Huppert, Christian Reber and Levi Strauss represented Switzerland in the prequalification. Jonas Turin showed a surprisingly awesome run but just missed the finals finishing 11th. Course builder, Ramon Hunziker and 14 other riders are set for the final on Saturday. Within those 14 are Nicholi Rogatkin, Thomas Genon and other riders were able to skip the prequalification because of their FMB ranking. Together with the riders who are set, the ones who qualified will participate in the qualification today and fight for a position in the final. Already at the prequalification the riders showed breathtaking tricks that certainly left the audience looking forward to another day at the Swatch Rocket Air.

## Livestream

Today the final of Swatch Rocket Air will be live streamed at 20:00 on our homepage: www.rocketair.ch.





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