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#swatchrocketair 27.-28th of April 2018 in Thun, Switzerland

Fast-forward into the future this weekend in Thun - Swatch Rocket Air goes to the year 3000

If you want to take a leap into the future, you can do it this weekend in Thun. On Thursday night the clocks will be fast-forwarded by 982 years. On the 27th and 28th of April 3000, the 9th Swatch Rocket Air under the motto 3000 AD will rise in the ice rink of the city of alps, Thun. The best freestyle bike riders in the world will be fighting for the honor of their nation – on board, big names such as Nicholi Rogatkin and Thomas Genon.

Ever imagined how the world will look like in the year 3000? The organizers of the Swatch Rocket Air wanted to know and decided to leap 982 years to 3000 for the 9th edition of Switzerland's largest freestyle bike event. Since last week, approximately 30 volunteers have been working hard carrying 3'000 pallets, building landings and filling them with dirt and balancing on dizzying heights to build 8meter high rocket launcher drops.

This year, the Rocket Air has the pleasure to welcome back Nicholi Rogatkin and Thomas Genon, the two winners of the last four editions. After Thomas Genon took the win in 2014 and 2015, Nicholi Rogatkin was able to win solid over the last two years with his well known trick, the Twister. "The spectators drove me to top performance," said Rogatkin after his victory in 2017 "what we experience here in the Thun is unique on the world tour". In addition to the two top favorites, another double winner will be competing and it's no other than the well-known Brit, Sam Pilgrim. But before we learn if anyone can make the triple victory, the legendary team battle – fight of the nations will take place on Friday. A big show can be expected. Watch 45 riders split into 6 teams while they show off their skills and wow the crowd.

There won't only be a clash of cultures on the rink this weekend, get ready to experience Artistic Cycling ft. BMX Flatland -where old meets new as well as the Trail Show, an oldie but goodie that will even captivate the crowd in the back. Compete with your buddies at the Bergamont Pumptrack Race and compare your time with the best pumptrack riders of the world! The side events are rounded off by numerous family activities - including the popular Like-a-Bike Race - as well as a musical highlight. And, of course not to forget, the legendary Big Baang Party will be held this Saturday at the Club The Legacy - true to the motto: "Party with the riders!"

The finals of the Swatch Rocket Air will be streamed live on rocketair.ch. Subscribe on [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/swatchrocketair) (@swatchrocketair), [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/swatchrocketair) and YouTube to be up to date. To secure your ticket, visit www.rocketair.ch.

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Riders List Swatch Rocket Air 3000

Name	Vorname	Land	
Rogatkin	Nicholi	USA	DIRECT TO FINALS
Lemoine	Tomas	FRA	
Caverzasi	Diego	ITA	
Genon	Thomas	BEL	
Testa	Torquato	ITA	
Fedko	Erik	GER	
Knopf	Lukas	GER	
Pagés	Simon	FRA	
Vencl	Jakub	CZE	
Couderc	Paul	FRA	
Pilgrim	Sam	GBR	DIRECT TO QUALI
Alanko	Alex	SWE	
Jones	Matt	GBR	
Honore	Antonin	FRA	
Barrett	Brayden	CAN	
Isted	Tom	GBR	
Reboul	Louis	FRA	
Tell	Adrian	NOR	
Genovese	Paul	CAN	
Paulin	Franck	FRA	
Carra	Remy	FRA	
Paulson	Griffin	CAN	
Douhan	Viktor	SWE	
Winkler	Bernd	AUT	
Mey	Max	GER	
Cardy	Tom	GBR	
Garric	Lois	FRA	
Quaedflieg	Loek	NL	
Huppert	Lucas	CHE	
Karrer	Simon	CAN	
Bienvenido	Aguado Alba	ESP	
Roberts	Elie	FRA	
Schäfer	Lukas	GER	
Alekhin	Pavel	RUS	
Pulman	Freddy	GBR	
Godziek	Dawid	POL	
Widmer	Dominik	CH	
Hubacher	Cédric	CH	
Studer	Lukas	CH	
Hagemann	Jan	CH	
Kielhorn	Jonny	GER	
Strauss	Levi	CH	
Cahill	Alex	GBR	
Langille	Max	CAN	
Guerrero	Miguel	ESP	



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Swatch, launched in 1983 by Nicolas G. Hayek, is a leading Swiss watchmaker and one of the world's most popular brands. The first Swatch watches surprised everyone with their revolutionary concept, creative design and provocative spirit. The brand philosophy is based on color, movement, lightness and transparency, which can be seen in every Swatch product and project. Today Swatch continues to innovate and surprise with new models, collections and special editions. The brand maintains a strong presence in the world of sports with its commitment to snowboarding, freeskiing, surfing, beach volleyball and mountainbike slopestyle. Right from the start, Swatch connected with art and artists, and Swatch watches remain a prominent canvas for artists from a broad range of disciplines.

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