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## GRÜEZI

The Middle competition was a tough challenge for all participants on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of the competition. The young course setter Andrin Sutter did a decent job because he knows the topographical conditions like the back of his hand. Full concentration was key and there was no time to enjoy the breathtaking Appenzell landscape at about 1'100 meters above sea level.

In this issue, we look back at the finish in the notorious Hirschberg and the Flower Ceremony at the Competition Centre Gais. Tomorrow, we will conclude the EUOC 2023 with the relay competition in the town of

Appenzell.

Let's keep the momentum up! Samuel

#### **REPORT ON TODAY'S COMPETITION**

(by Erwin Wälter, Orienteering Group St. Gallen / Appenzell)

"It was hard, but great", a Finnish student put it bluntly to sum up his run at the finish. The middle-distance race on the northern slope of the Hirschberg above the town of Gais (AR) could not have been described more aptly. In any case, it was a worthy European Championship arena. Just as the Flimserwald is synonym in the canton of Graubünden for a fairytale forest with the slowest kilometre times in Switzerland, the Hirschberg can also boast slow kilometre times as a fairytale forest. Also on the Hirschberg, local heroine Eliane Deininger, who starts for the University of Bern, answered the course setter when asked how it had been: "It was fun". And she was already cheering on her competitors in the ardous sprint to the finish, even though she was still out of breath herself. "It was technical", was another frequent statement at the finish. Indeed, it was an above-average eclectic terrain with countless crossings of brooks, with constant changes between forest floor covered with moss and ferns and swampy forest clearings. One runner returned to the last post after crossing the finish line because his shoe had got stuck in the swamp. Course setter Andrin Sutter, a student at the University of Bern and who himself grew up at the foot of the Hirschberg, knew how to set selective courses that were also physically demanding taking into account the terrain. As a result, it is not surprising at all that enormous time differences can be seen in the ranking list and that particularly Swiss competitors being familiar with such forests, can be found in the top positions of the ranking list. The victory of the Hungarian Zsofia Sárközy, who was able to relegate four Swiss women to the following ranks, is to be rated all the higher. However, in the men's category, three Swiss competitors were able to leave the best Hungarian behind.











# RESULTS

The winners of the Middle finals are:

### Women

- 1. Zsofia Sárközy, Eötvös Loránd University
- 2. Hanna Müller, ETH Zürich
- 3. Katrin Müller, ETH Zürich

https://results.picoevents.ch/EUOC2023MID DLE/katg/kat\_LZ.php?katg=W Men

- 1. Reto Egger, University of Applied Sciences Bern
- 2. Tino Polsini, ETH Zürich
- 3. Manuele Ren, ETH Zürich

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# ONLINE TECHNICAL MEETING

The same 3 officials as yesterday were hosting the todays online technical meeting providing information on technical aspects and organizational matters of the 3<sup>rd</sup> day's competition in Appenzell. Due to the adverse weather conditions coming up, certain things need to be altered. Therefore please study carefully the presentation of the online technical meeting of 26.08.23 and share it with your team:

https://orienteering2023.eusa.eu/



### LIVELOX



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## **EVENT PROGRAM DETAILS**

### SUNDAY, 27 AUGUST 2023

06.00-08.00h	Breakfast, hotels
09.00-10.00h	Entry into Quarantine M/M,
	Town of Appenzell
11.00h	Sprint relay, Mass start M/M,
	Town of Appenzell
10.00-11.00h	Entry into Quarantine W/W,
	W/M, Town of Appenzell
12.00h	Mass start W/W
	Town of Appenzell
13.00h	Mass start W/M (W first)
	Town of Appenzell
14.45h	Flower ceremony
	Wühre Appenzell
18.00h	Medal awarding, Closing
	ceremony, Dinner, Party,
	University of St. Gallen

# STARTLIST MIDDLE FOR MEN AND WOMEN

Tomorrow's start list is online: https://orienteering2023.eusa.eu/document s/orienteering2023/news/EUOC2023%20REL AY-RelayNorm.pdf

Please use this weblink if you want to select our events on eventor: <u>https://eventor.orienteering.org/Events/Sho</u> w/7848

### **QR-CODE GPS-TRACKING**

The GPS tracking will be in operation as follows:

- Sprint relay men: Sunday, 27.08.2023, 11.00h
- Sprint relay women: Sunday, 27.08.2023, 12.00h
- Sprint relay mixed: Sunday, 27.08.2023, 13.00h





Live-Tracking GPS

### WEATHER FORECAST

The temperature in Appenzell will drop further to 15°C or 58°F. It will also shower the whole day. Therefore, changes will apply to the technical procedures as detailed in the online technical meeting. Please see the presentation of the said meeting of 26.08.23 on our website and share it with your team: https://orienteering2023.eusa.eu/

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Did you know that there are 2 Cantons of Appenzell? Appenzell Innerrhoden and Appenzell Ausserrhoden. The former's capital is the town of Appenzell, the site of the 3<sup>rd</sup> competition day. If you can spare some time after the competition, take a look around. You may fall in love with the car-free town which beckons with picturesque lanes, cozy stores and buildings with frescoes. The Appenzell Museum, which is in the town hall, shows a cross section of local history and culture (www.museum.ai.ch, Hauptgasse 4, 9050 Appenzell, open on Sundays 11.00-17.00h, ticket CHF 3-7).





## **MEALS**



### SUNDAY, 27 AUGUST 2023

Breakfast	At the hotels	European Universities Orienteering Championship
	<ul> <li>Hotel NewStar and one66 from 6.00am</li> </ul>	EUSA
	- Hotel B&B from 6.15am	
Drinks	Before and after the race / Power bars available after the race	
Lunch	After the race at the Competition Centre Appenzell, from 12.00am to 2.30pm	
Dinner	After the medal awarding and closing ceremony at the University of St. Gallen (Square), from 6.00pm	

# WE WISH YOU

>> a good trip to Appenzell - enjoy the beautiful Appenzell alpine landscape

>> a great race - enjoy it, despite the weather

>> a great final evening with us - we are looking forward to it

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