

PREVIEW MEN'S EVENTS SCHONACH – Saturday and Sunday 27-28 Jan 2024

Jarl Magnus Riiber

- Jarl Magnus Riiber has finished first (6) or second (3) in all nine individual World Cup events this season. In 2019/20 he either won or finished second in the first 15 World Cup events. That run ended with a 10th place in the penultimate event that season in Lahti on 1 March 2020 (he won again in the last World Cup on 7 March).
- Riiber (3 wins) can equal Fred Børre Lundberg (4) and Jason Lamy Chappuis (4) on a record four individual World Cup wins in Schonach.
- Riiber's worst result in an individual World Cup event in Schonach (2-2-3-1-1-1) is a third place on 16 March 2019. He won the event the next day. Riiber did not start in the Schonach events in 2023.
- Riiber has won a record 63 individual World Cup events (Hannu Manninen next on 48). With 88 podium finishes, Riiber is also closing in on Manninen's all-time record of 90 top-three results.

Johannes Lamparter

- Johannes Lamparter won the last individual World Cup events in Schonach last season (12 February 2023). Felix Gottwald is the only Austrian man to have won here twice, in 2002 and in 2011 (his last victory).
- Lamparter finished on the podium in each of his last four individual World Cup starts in Schonach: 2-2-2-1. He only claimed more podium finishes in Seefeld (6), Klingenthal (5) and Ruka (5) than in Schonach (4).
- Lamparter (12) has equalled Mario Stecher (12) in third place among Austrian men on most individual World Cup victories, behind Felix Gottwald (23) and Klaus Sulzenbacher (14).

Other contenders

- **Stefan Rettenegeger** is closing in on his first individual World Cup win. He finished 5th-4th-3rd-3rd-2nd in his last five starts.
- Rettenegeger improved day-by-day at all four World Cup venues this season: 8-4-3 in Ruka, 9-5 in Lillehammer, 4-3 in Ramsau and 3-2 in Oberstdorf
- For his brother **Thomas Rettenegeger** this is the opposite: 28-16-20 in Ruka, 15-19 in Lillehammer, 5-6 in Ramsau and 4-10 in Oberstdorf.
- **Jens Lurås Oftebro** is the only Nordic combined athlete except Riiber and Lamparter to win an individual World Cup event this season. Oftebro won the opening event in Ruka this season on 24 November.
- Last season, Oftebro won the individual World Cup event in Schonach on 11 February. He finished second the next day.
- **Manuel Faißt** claimed his seventh podium finish in Oberstdorf on 14 January: 3-3-3-3-3-3-3. No man has recorded so many third places without ever having recorded a first or second place.



- Faißt hopes to become the first German winner in Schonach since Eric Frenzel claimed two wins in March 2017. The last German men to finish on the podium here were Fabian Rießle (3rd in 2018) and Vinzenz Geiger (3rd in 2022).
- **Julian Schmid** has recorded a better result in each of his individual World Cup starts in Schonach: 48-42-30-18-5-4. His most recent podium finishes were in Oslo in March 2023 (2nd-3rd).

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