

The academic year 2022-23 was a resounding success for The Quiz Club of St. Stephen's College. The activities of the club were kickstarted with "Generally Speaking: A General Quiz", the first offline quiz organized by the college after the pandemic, designed and conducted entirely by the members of the club. The event saw participation by students of colleges from all parts of the country and foreshadowed the excitement that the year would reveal.

Next came SAQC, one of the flagship events of our club, open to college as well as school teams, where contingents from educational institutions across India showed their mettle in a quiz whose final round was conducted by quizzing veterans and St. Stephen's alumni Mukund Marodia and Apratim Chandra Singh.

Then we come to the much-awaited IDQ: The inter-departmental quiz, which, as the name suggests, was a competition between the different departments of our college to find the one which possessed the best quizzers. The quiz was designed by our alumni Shilpa, Shania, Agastya, Lael, Shayanak, and Andrew and was hosted by Shilpa and Shania. The event was a thrilling and invigorating affair where in the end, the History department prevailed.

Interspersed in the year, were our collaborations with other clubs and societies of college. Prasna, our collaboration with the Philosoc attempted to make an edifying and fun quiz for students from all disciplines and our collaboration with GASC tried to make a quiz that would be inclusive to people from all communities and backgrounds. Drishtikon, made in collaboration with The Enabling Unit was a quiz that aimed to make quizzing more accessible to persons with disabilities. In all these collaboration junior members from all years helped in the question making process and were also involved in conducting the quiz.

We would be remiss if we failed to mention the new developments that took place in the club during the year. Members of the club came up with the idea of Trivia at the Tree, which has now become a cherished activity for all junior members, providing a source of entertainment (and perhaps even nourishment by way of the chocostix won) and making quizzing more accessible to those who are not regular quizzers by putting up short, fun trivia questions that fetch you chocostix if you are the first person to get them correct. Another new development that shows promise is Trivia Battle Royale, again developed by the members of the club, which is a 1v1 format of quizzing that creates many opportunities for nail-biting and nerve-wracking yet extremely exciting moments.

Besides the new developments, SQLs, the club's intra-college quizzes, were conducted throughout the year with enthusiastic participation, with topics ranging from history to pop culture. The members of the club also regularly took part in the quizzes organized by other institutions and won many laurels in this regard.

And to close the academic year, what better way than the pièce de résistance of the quiz club? We, of course, speak of Quizotic, our 3-day annual fest, which saw participation from people of all ages in quizzes of a variety of topics ranging from sports to politics to literature conducted by experienced quizmasters of the circuit as well as our very own club's members. Alumni Akshay Cyril and Rabin Jacob were gracious enough to prepare and host 'FLAMES,' an extremely fun and thrilling quiz that left the participants wanting more.

The members of the quiz club are incredibly grateful to each and everyone from the administration to the quizmasters to the participants, for helping us make this year one that would hopefully serve as an example to emulate for subsequent years.