

IX. Basque Tournament of Atari 2600 2025

The 31h of January the Euskal Retro Association organized the IX. Basque Tournament of Atari 2600. Eight players met at Bar Berri in Santutxu, in the second floor. After the ZX Spectrum we played Atari 2600.

This has been a special tournament because it was the first time we played it with an original Atari 2600, the first "wooden" model.

We played 4 games: Outlaw, Basketball, Battlezone and River Raid. The tournament was very good. As always we had a very entertaining time. This time Gorka, an expert of old consoles, was the best player but the rest of players did well.

We started the tournament with **Outlaw**. This is a simple game but we usually played it because it is funny. Then and once again we played the **Basketball**, a classic in our tournaments but he had less time so we played just 3 matches. Then we played **other two games: Battlezone**, a new game for me. Very interesting and with great graphics to be Atari and finally to **River Raid**, another classic game.

It was a nice and funny afternoon where we laughed a lot. Gorka was the winner so the next time we will try to beat him, although it won't be easy. The idea is to organize the X. Basque Tournament of Atari 2600 in August of this if everything goes well, and this time with the old console. It would also be interesting to encourage Polish Atari 2600 fans to organize the "European Championship of Atari 2600" at the retro console festival they will organize like every year in July. Let's see what happens.

Here you have the results (score into parenthesis):

Outlaw

- 1-Egoitz Campo 6 points
- 2-Joseba Zubiaurre 5 points
- 3-Gorka Saez 4 points
- 4-Ivan Carballo 3 points
- 5-Mikel Torde 2 points
- 6-Daniel Barrientos 1 point

Basketball

- 1-Gorka Saez 6 points
- 2-Egoitz Campo 5 points
- 3-Ivan Carballo 4 points
- 4-Daniel Barrientos 3 points
- 5-Joseba Zubiaurre 2 points
- 6-Mikel Torde 1 point

Battlezone

- 1-Gorka Saez 6 points (49.000)
- 2-Jon Proaño 5 points (25.000)
- 3-Egoitz Campo 4 points (17.000)
- 4-Daniel Barrientos 3 points (14.000)
- 5-Mikel Torde 2 points (11.000)
- 6-Joseba Zubiaurre 1 point (2.000)

River Raid

- 1-Gorka Saez 5 points (6.650)
- 2-Egoitz Campo 4 points (5.900)
- 3-Daniel Barrientos 3 points (2.800)
- 4-Joseba Zubiaurre 2 points (1.830)
- 5-Josu Royuela 1 point (1.100)

Outlaw



Funny game this "western" atari videogame

Basketball



We love this game. Always we play it in our tournaments.

Battlezone



Great game of tanks. We will repeat it.

River Raid



Let's destroy aircrafts, ships and bridges!

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- 1-Gorka Saez 21 points (Basque Country)
- 2-Egoitz Campo 19 points (Basque Country)
- 3-Joseba Zubiaurre 10 points (Basque Country)
- 4-Daniel Barrientos 10 points (Basque Country)
- 5-Ivan Carballo 7 points (Basque Country)
- 6-Mikel Torde 5 points (Basque Country)
- 7-Jon Proaño 5 points (Basque Country)
- 8-Josu Royuela 1 point (Basque Country)

Congratulations to Gorka Saez for winning the tournament!