

A Quick Guide to the Keyworth Village Quiz 2022

The quiz, as far as we know, is a unique event in the UK. It began back in 1976 and within a couple of years had developed into the format we currently use where there are several weeks of quizzes with teams competing against each other in a “University Challenge” knockout competition.

The quiz runs over seven Monday evenings from late January to late March in the Keyworth Village Hall. In 2019 we had 25 teams who competed face to face on the Village Hall stage with quiz masters, scorers, and bell & buzzer rounds in front of an appreciative audience averaging 100 people.

Entry is for teams of four, which usually come from sports or social clubs, schools, churches, businesses, etc, but can be any group of four such as teams of four friends or a family.

The quiz is sponsored by the Parish Council which allows us to make it **FREE** to enter. There are individual cups and shields for the winners and runners-up to keep, and the Oakley Competition Cup and the Stuart Bailey Shield respectively for the winning and runner-up team to keep for a year.

Each quiz lasts about 25 minutes and there are four quizzes each evening. The Quiz is a knockout competition with the First Round matches held over three weeks. Winning teams and a number of the highest scoring First Round losers go through to the Second Round (round of 16) and then Quarter Finals. The Semi-Finals and Final both take place on the seventh week towards the end of March.

Each week refreshments are served in the interval by one of Keyworth’s many voluntary groups and the takings and collection are shared between the groups.

Each quiz has 4 rounds of questions:

- We start you off with a team round on a theme where all four team members can confer.
- In Round 2 the questions are again themed and can be answered by the team for 2 points, but initially go to each player in turn who can score 4 points if you take the risk of answering alone.
- Round 3 has the same scoring system as Round 2, but rather than answering questions on a theme each player gets a choice of three subjects from which to choose their question.
- The final round is the “Bell & Buzzer” round where there are 25 rapid fire questions, and the first Team to press their buzzer or bell gets the chance to answer – just like University Challenge.

If you make it through to the Semi-Finals and Final then we also throw some sound and picture questions at you and maybe a surprise round, as you’ve already proved you can answer questions on lots of topics.

Our primary concern is to entertain our audience, so we are very keen on audience participation. We also want contestants to have lots of fun, and although everyone wants to be competitive the matches inevitably are light-hearted and played in a friendly manner.

If you’d like to find out more, or better still to enter a team, then there are three ways to do so:

- 1. Have a look at the Keyworth Parish Council web site, which has more information, including details from previous years - <http://www.keyworthparishcouncil.org/keyworth-quiz.html>.
- 2. Send an email to keyworthquiz@hotmail.co.uk
- 3. Call John on 0115 9374833 or Paul on 07969 472552

We hope you will come along and join in the fun.

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