



**6th IRO – Judges test and meeting
11.April - 13. April 2008
Gmunden-Regau (A)**

The IRO judges test and meeting took place at the SVÖ group Gmunden-Regau. Administrative support on site was provided by Alois Russegger who has prepared a great setting for the meeting together with the group Gmunden-Regau and with dog handlers from KHD Vienna.

Friday, 11.04.2008

5 candidates had registered for the judges test and one of them only had to repeat the theory test. Theory test was passed by all participants and the practical part of the test by 2 candidates. The department of training can now suggest to nominate the following judges for confirmation:

- Schafar Kurt (A)
- Hauk Andreas (A)
- Ternovec Jerneja (SLO)

Saturday, 12.04.2008

At 8:30 in the morning I was able to welcome 26 judges and 5 candidates at the clubhouse of the SVÖ group Gmunden-Regau. Right after the welcome session work began with answering of questions.

After a short break the nosework in rubble and area was tackled and discussed under the supervision of the instructor-judges. In the late afternoon at around 5 pm Wolfgang Hitsch from the IRO office gave some useful information concerning administrative procedures in the IRO office. The first day of the meeting concluded at 6 pm.

Sunday, 13.04.2008

At 9 in the morning the team of instructor-judges started the second day of the meeting and began to work in the field of obedience and dexterity. The disciplines were discussed in depth and various view points have been compared as well. During the following question and answer session last doubts could be cleared.

At 1:30 pm I closed the IRO judges meeting 2008. It was the first judges meeting which I was carrying out in my function as spokesperson for training and I would like to thank again the SVÖ group Gmunden-Regau, the doghandlers from KHD Vienna, Alois Russegger and the judges for their constructive work.

The atmosphere during the three days was excellent and showed to all of us that continuous training is very important. I would also like to thank the team of instructor-judges (Otto Lanz, Kurt Joss, Alfons Fieseler) who have supported me in the preparation and realization of the event.

Finally I wish all the best to the new judges.