

Daily report #4 – second competition day and closing (day 2)

Saturday 14th of March was the day of alpine skiing. The local ski club has again prepared a high standard race in full compliance with FIS regulations. As expected the points for good skiers completely changed the leaderboard which is the essence of a combination of two completely different (sub)disciplines like skiing and accuracy landing. One can only win a World Championships with top performance in both.

The [ski race result list](#) shows some impressive fast times of the male and female winners. In the female race Sophie Grill/ AUT scored 11 seconds better total time than the 2nd and Sebastian Graser/ AUT scored 5 seconds ahead of his followers. Knowing that one second equals two centimeters, it is clear, that the ski results also have equal impact on the overall result as the accuracy scores.

After the end of the ski race at about noon, the wind speed at the top of the mountain increased drastically reaching 10m/s. The Meet Director Hans Huemer reacted immediately and the alternate dropzone down in the village Alpendorf where the wind was still calm was activated. The technical staff moved all equipment down and only one hour later the dropzone was ready for competition. But in the meanwhile the high wind had arrived down in Alpendorf and made any further jumps impossible.

With the unanimously agreement of all teams and after jury approval, the 19th Parachute-Ski World Championships were declared closed because the Meet Director could not predict any improvement of the weather and even expected rain for Sunday.

At 2:30 pm the Chair of the ISC Parachute-Ski Committee, Toni Gruber called all participants to the mandatory open committee meeting which is known as “competitor’s meeting”. He introduced all present [committee members](#), asked for proposals from the competitor’s side and explained the further plans of his committee.

The participants were asked if they would travel overseas if a bid for a 2028 World Championship from USA would be submitted at the next plenary for which he got a promising positive reply from all but one NAC.

Toni explained the minor changes in the competition rules to bring these in line with the new Sporting Code terminology (event, discipline, category,...) and asked his Deputy Chair, Martin Gabla for a foresight on the 2027 World Cup Series. As Romania promised to be a new host and also Czechia will again organize one event, the next season looks like to be on safe ground. Also the town mayor of St.Johann expressed the support for a 2027 edition of the World Cup so the 2027 final event will probably take place in Alpendorf.

Then at 3pm the Head of the WSC Organizing Committee, Tobias Hufler called to the closing and award ceremony. The FAI anthem was played and the medal winners of the five World Championship podiums were honored with the national anthem.

All **official and signed results** are here: <https://results.worldskydiving.org/competitionset/1088>

Female: 1. GRILL Sophie/ AUT, 2. SCHENNER Magdalena/AUT, 3. FRANZ Christina/SUI

Male: 1. GRASER Sebastian/ AUT, 2. HAIBEL Reinhold/GER, 3. FREI Andrin/SUI

Junior: 1. URBAN Michael/AUT, 2. RITES Ionut Mihnea/ROM, 3. ZVEDELIK Ondrej/CZE

Master: 1. HAIBEL Reinhold/GER, 2. GRUBER Anton/AUT, 3. LEHNER Stephan/SUI

Team: 1. AUSTRIA 1, 2. SWITZERLAND, 3. AUSTRIA 2,
(4. Italy 1, 5. Czech Republic A)