



1st Championships for Table Tennis Match Officials 14th – 15th August 2015, Haid/Ansfelden, Austria

Successful Championships for European Match Officials Stefan Labitzke from Berlin (Germany) won three titles in Austria

The 1st Championships for Match Officials finished this Saturday in Austria. Umpires and Referees from Russia, Sweden, Germany, Hungary, Czech Republic, Poland and Austria played two days and at the end Germany, Poland and Austria won the first titles.

In the team event Sweden and Germany had no troubles to reach the finals. The German Team (Lothar Jander, Hans-Peter Wörner, Stefan Labitzke and Jörg Baumgart) won 3:0 against Liam Schoug, his brother Lukas and Anders Nilsson from Sweden. Czech Republic finished in third position.

In Women Individual Events Poland and Austria met in the final matches. The Austrian players Renate Burg and Pia Strauss won the Women Doubles, but the Single Event was in control of Poland. Malgorzata Fidala won 3:0 against her teammate Agata Biesaga.




In the Men's Double Event Hans-Peter Wörner and Stefan Labitzke won against Jan Benes and Emanuel Votipka from Czech Republic.

In Men Individual Events Sweden and Germany met again in the Semifinals of the Individual Event. But the German player Stefan Labitzke, who won already the gold medal in the team event and the Men's Double, could stop the Schoug brothers from Sweden. He beat Liam in the Semifinal and Lukas in the Final.




During the official dinner on Friday the president of the Austrian Table Tennis Association Hans Friedinger and the mayor from Haid/Ansfelden congratulated the players for their dedication to table tennis as match officials but also for their performance as players. At the same time the Austrian umpires Erich and Norbert Traxler finished their career as umpires after 30 years and Erich Traxler received the silver badge of honour for his work for the Austrian Table Tennis Association.






RESULTS

TEAM		
1.	GERMANY (Stefan Labitzke, Lothar Jander, Hans-Peter Wörner, Jörg Baumgart)	
2.	SWEDEN (Lukas Schoug, Liam Schoug, Anders Nilsson)	
3.	CZECH REPUBLIC (Jan Benes, Emanuel Votipka, Jaroslava Tenglova, Klara Vaculovicova)	






WOMEN's DOUBLE		
1.	Renate BURG / Pia STRAUSS AUSTRIA	
2.	Malgorzata FIDALA / Agata BIESAGA POLAND	
3.	Jaroslava TENGLOVA / Klara VACULOVICOVA CZECH REPUBLIC	





MEN's DOUBLE		
1.	Hans Peter WÖRNER / Stefan LABITZKE GERMANY	
2.	Jan BENES / Emanuel VOTIPKA CZECH REPUBLIC	
3.	Lukas SCHOUG / Liam SCHOUG SWEDEN	



WOMEN'S SINGLE		
1.	Malgorzata FIDALA POLAND	
2.	Agata BIESAGA POLAND	
3.	Pia STRAUSS AUSTRIA	



MEN'S SINGLE		
1.	Stefan LABITZKE GERMANY	
2.	Lukas SCHOUG SWEDEN	
3.	Liam SCHOUG SWEDEN	