

## **Day 2 – Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> February 2013**

Now the sun shone proudly after overcast sky with much snowfall yesterday. A beautiful winter landscape spanned over Nesselwang. However it was still very cold in the morning at 8:00 with minus 12 degrees.

### **Downhill training in the morning**

Today in the cold weather the downhill training took place. Anyone who has signed up for the downhill race tomorrow is obliged to participate in the downhill training today. So this is almost a qualification run for tomorrow.

So the ski racers participated in this training, from the perspective for the German team there was good news to report. In the 1<sup>st</sup> training run Philipp Eisenmann (GER) achieved the second place behind Philipp Steiner from Switzerland. But the surprise was after the 2<sup>nd</sup> training run: Philipp topped his first training race with extremely tight time difference to this Swiss ski racer. Even John-Austin Nelson from the USA should not be underestimated; he can count on the medal tomorrow, because he achieved the third place in both training runs.

Then we may hope for the medal for Philipp Eisenmann tomorrow!

He must race without error down the track, light the turbo and use his home advantage; maybe he gets the motivation by the former German finance minister Dr. Theo Waigel. Let's see!

Every day at 13:00 the technical meeting under the direction of the ICSD Technical Director Alpine Skiing, Mike Schmauser with the draw of the race disciplines for the day after take place in the Trend Sport Center Nesselwang.

Today the draw for the Downhill race for tomorrow was performed there.

At 15:00 the OC team and their volunteers of the 1<sup>st</sup> World Deaf Alpine Skiing Championships stood in front of the sponsor wall with the VW vehicles for a photo shooting, because Bogner and KarstadtSports have supported them great with excellent winter clothing (Ski parkas, fleece jackets, caps and scarves).

In the evening there was a general entertainment in the pavilion and many people speculated again how well the German ski racers can achieve the front places. The beamer showed the impressions from the Opening Ceremony till now on the screen inside the pavilion.