

# Alexandria Schutzhund Group

## Spring RH Seminar

Monday and Tuesday, April 3 – 4, 2023  
Leesburg, VA  
with Judge Marko Bručan (FCI)



- The seminar will be an excellent forum for learning about the search and rescue sport from one of the most experienced officials for the sport in Europe.
- We will focus on developing skills for area search as well as obedience/dexterity.
- The seminar will provide a useful introduction to a sport that can extend the working life of your retired IGP or other sport dog. While challenging mentally for both dog and handler, it is not quite as challenging physically as IGP or police dog work.

**SEMINAR CONTENT:** In addition to discussing common issues in RH training, Marko will try to address issues individual participants raise. (Sorry, no tracking)

**QUESTIONS?** Annetta Cheek – [AnnettaLCheek@gmail.com](mailto:AnnettaLCheek@gmail.com)

**SEMINAR LOCATION:** 21900 Foxden Lane, Leesburg, VA 20175

**START TIME:** 9:00am – 4:30pm each day

**PAYMENT:** Both days - \$150 working spots, \$80 audit spots  
Single day - \$85 working spot, \$50 audit spot

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### JUDGE MARKO BRUČAN (FCI)

- Marko has been the Vice President of the FCI Rescue Dog Commission since 2019. From 2009 to 2019 he was President of the Slovenian Rescue Dog Association. An international rescue dog judge, he has judged over 100 RH trials, including the 2021 FCI RH World Championship and national mission-ready tests.
- Marko has been training rescue dogs since the early 1990s. He has competed in the world championship multiple times, including in 2005 in France (4th place) and 2007 in Austria (7th place).
- As well as working extensively in Slovenia, he has trained rescue dogs for various SAR organizations in Abu Dhabi, Switzerland, Austria, and Russia, among others. Among other experiences, he was Chief Trainer for rescue dogs, rubble and area search, in St. Petersburg, Russia in 2017.
- In addition to being a judge and rescue dog trainer, he has participated as a dog handler or team leader on more than 80 area search missions, including for the Sumatra earthquake in 2009.
- Between 2010 and 2022, he trained more than 20 service dogs for the blind and for other disabled people.
- Between 2010 and 2016 he also judged drug and explosives detection dogs at the International Police Search Dog Championship.

