

# Minutes

of the Annual General Meeting of the Deutsch-Kurzhaar-Verband e. V.

on March 19, 2022 in the Rhön Residence in Dipperz from 09:00 – 13:00 hours

Hand-outs:

Budget 2022

Time outline for the revision of the test regulations

Determination of loudness

Determination of when to award the score 4.

The proposals were sent in advance via e-mail and are available as a hand-out.

## TOP 1 Opening of the Annual Meeting

President Michael Hammerer welcomes the newly elected club president of the Upper Palatinate Wilfried Schutzzeichel, and our chairman of the disciplinary committee, Mrs. Dinger as well as the delegate of the CDKA, Tom Skinner, who came from USA. The president of the JGHV, Karl Walch, who joined us later, was also warmly welcomed.

He thanks Mr. Sakowski, Mrs. Engelbart-Schmidt and Dr. Schmidt for the hunting horn signals.

The President welcomes the Presidium, the Chairpersons and the following authorized representatives:

Club	Name
Baden-Süd	Michael Hammerer
Bayern	Rudolf Fisch
Berlin	Anja Baumann
Braunschweig	Dr. Volkhard Herbst
CDKA	Tom Skinner
DKGNA	Christine Hammerer
Frankfurt	Karl-Heinz Roth
Mainfranken	Katharina Weidlein
NADKC	Jens Stahl
Nordwest	Konrad Borgerding
Saar	Paul Maurer
Sachsen-Anhalt	Anja Baumann
Württemberg	Franz Mayrhörmann

Die clubs Kurmainz und Oberfranken have excused themselves.

Dr. Karsten Schreiber, Member of the Executive Committee, excused himself due to illness.

The CanAm club (VCDKK) is not represented.

The invitation to the Annual General Meeting was sent in due time and in correct form.

It is agreed upon that Ms. Hammerer takes the minutes.

## TOP 2 Tribute to deceased members during the past year:

Mr. Hammerer asks the assembly to rise from their seats in commemoration of the deceased:

Artland-Emsland	Andre Schiebener
Baden-Süd	Horst Riedl, Hubertus Giedemann
Braunschweig	Helmut Harig, Hans-Joachim Reitmann
CDKA	Jerry Kellogg

Diepholz	Hartmut Winkelmann, Dr. Manfred Marx
Franken	Hans-Werner Süß
Frankfurt	Karl-Heinz Groß
Hannover	Helmut Harig, Dieter Schwarz, Doris Groen
Kurmainz	Josef Gruber, Rudolf Holler, Fritz Nacke
NADKC	Manny Boutsikakis, Jerry Kellogg
Niederbayern	Josef Holzbauer, Dr. Diethard Wagner, Alois Luger, Leonhard Zwicklbauer
Niedersachsen	Klaus Langenkämper
Oderland	Volker Felsmann
Rheinland	Karl Heinz Goerres, Richard Voss, Ralf Winterberg, Arnold Verweihen
Sachsen	Steffen Bothendorf, Jochen Conrad
Schleswig-Holstein	Rolf Hartmeyer, Jürgen Stäcker, Dieter Knaack, Christoph Schmitz
Südwest	Horst Riedl, Carmen Gundermann, Herbert Garrecht
Weser-Bremen	Heinz Sander, Wolfgang Paque, Bernhard Maruschewski
Weser-Ems	Wilfried Stammermann
Westfalen	Heinrich Austerhoff, Ludger Helmich, Ferdinand Barnhausen, Werner Stefen
Württemberg	Hans Bilharz, Hermann Steeb, Kurt Bantel

Mr. Sakowski, Mrs. Engelbart-Schmidt and Dr. Schmidt are thanked for the last Halali (hunting horn signal "end of the hunt").

### TOP 3 Determination of Voting Power, Approval of Minutes

Club	Members.	Votes
Althümmling	75	4
Artland-Emsland	308	16
Baden-Süd	139	7
Bayern	241	13
Berlin	62	4
Braunschweig	50	3
CanAm (VCDKK) not represented	40	2
CDKA	67	4
Diepholz	81	5
DKGNA	140	7
Franken	227	12
Frankfurt	80	4
Hamburg	150	8
Hannover	140	7
Havelland	138	7
Hohenlohe	51	3
Kurhessen	282	15
Kurmainz excused	141	8
Mainfranken	202	11
Mecklenburg-Vorpommern	70	4
Mitteldeutschland-Anhalt	149	8
NADKC	350	18
Niederbayern	281	15

Niedersachsen	141	8
Nordmark	379	19
Nordwest	293	15
Oberfranken-Haßberge <b>excused</b>	123	<b>7</b>
Oberpfalz	90	5
Oderland	172	9
Peene-Rechnitz	46	3
Rheinland	300	15
Saar	176	9
Sachsen	129	7
Sachsen-Anhalt	41	3
Schaumburg-Lippe	221	12
Schleswig-Holstein	351	18
Südwest	261	14
Thüringen	130	7
Weser-Bremen	191	10
Weser-Ems	574	29
Westfalen	450	23
Westküste	148	8
Württemberg	250	13
<b>Total Amount of Members:</b>	<b>7930</b>	
	<b>Total Votes:</b>	<b>419</b>
	<b>Votes represented:</b>	<b>402</b>
	<b>Majority:</b>	<b>202</b>

The minutes of the AGM 2021, which were published in DK Blatt 3/2021, are approved.

#### TOP 4 President's Report

At the beginning of his report, Mr. Hammerer asked for no interposed questions during the reports, but only for requests to speak at the end of the respective reports.

The number of whelps has increased enormously from 1235 to 1842. 32 foreign dogs were entered into the studbook DK.

This year we have a lot of motions to the AGM, most of them concerning the test regulations of the Kleemann and IKP.

In this context, several articles have been published in the KH Blätter, among others the aim of the Dr. Kleemann Zuchtausleseprüfung is described. It is also pointed out that the conditions in the testing grounds have massively worsened since the 30-ies.

The Deutsch-Kurzhaar would be acutely in bad shape if we had not constantly adapted to the changed conditions.

We have managed to preserve the excellent field characteristics of our dogs and still breed high-performance dogs for water hunting.

The physical condition and hardness of the DK, combined with intelligence and hunting instinct also predestine them for hunting and tracking of defensive cloven-hoofed game. Ten years ago we introduced the performance mark "Saujager". In the meantime, more than 350 DKs have achieved this performance mark. Approximately 800 DKs have been successfully led on the association blood tracking test (1000 m overnight track) during this period. This proves the strength of character and calmness of our dogs and their hunting intellect.

We are envied by many dog breeding clubs because we have such high-performance, versatile, healthy and beautiful dogs. With the Kurzhaar one has not only a reliable hunting partner, but also a lovable family member.

It is becoming more and more difficult for us to find suitable testing grounds in Germany for our "big" tests. The reasons for this are, among others, legal restrictions on water work, danger due to traffic and bans due to African swine fever.

At the moment it is not possible to even consider tests abroad because of Corona and most recently the war in the Ukraine.

After two cancelled international tests due to Corona, we are threatened with cancellations because of not having large enough testing grounds for these tests.

According to predictable logic, an increase of 50% in the number of whelps also results in an increase of 50% in the number of entries. That would be over 200 dogs for the Kleemann and over 300 IKP dogs. Suitable ground for this are quite simply not to be procured.

We call the Dr. Kleemann test an elite test, here it is the class that counts, not the mass. As pleasing as it is that more and more dogs pass the high admission hurdles, it is also necessary to raise these hurdles in order to continue to speak of elite. Unfortunately, there is no alternative.

At the moment, a VBR is an entry requirement, among other things. The Verlorenbringerprüfung can be repeated as often as desired, but other tests can only be repeated once. In some federal states, dogs can only be utilized for hunting if a 700 m overnight blood track test has been passed. This has the consequence that a Kurzhaarsieger is not recognized as hunting utility dog everywhere.

We could correct this, if a JGHV blood tracking test would have to be passed. Thereby the dogs must have a minimum age and have proven to be loud.

A Saujagerachweis would reinforce the elite standard even more and reduce the Kleemann entries to the level of 10 years ago (under 80 dogs).

This complex of topics was discussed in detail at yesterday's meeting. Andreas Thomschke, the commissions and all clubs now have one year to deal with the topic thoroughly. For the IKP we could apply the present admission requirements for the Kleemann, then we would have an IKP with a maximum of 140 dogs.

Our Director of testing, Andreas Thomschke, has already dealt intensively with this and will present his ideas. Furthermore, he has worked out a time outline, how we will work out the amendments to the PO together, so they can be voted on and adopted next year.

Several proposals also deal with this. As I said, the number of entries must be reduced significantly, there is no alternative.

The fact that the amount of whelps have increased by 50% in 2021 has also puzzled us, but we also have an extraordinarily good demand this year and probably the same number of whelps.

Because the demand for Deutsch-Kurzhaar is so high, many still buy abroad if they want a DK.

We have breeders who take care of their dogs from breeding to the finished hunting dog, and clubs who are motivated in their joint venture with the breeders and in maintaining the testing system. Foreign breeders cannot do that if their dogs do not stay in their home country.

Also this year, breeders will receive a DKV pin per whelp to pass on to puppy buyers.

Comments on the Hand-Outs

For the last eight years our account has been increasing and currently shows € 133,000. This is not compatible with the non-profit status.

More about this under TOP 10 (Treasurer's report).

Our "new" breeding rules are no longer new, but they have proven to be very successful.

This year the Austrian Kurzhaar Club will host the World Union VGP, called "Donau Pokal" on 07. - 08.10.2022.

Two Deutsch-Kurzhaar clubs were founded this year and have applied for admission to the DK-Verband. They are the clubs Niederrhein and Ostfriesland.

Agenda item TOP 18 is unanimously amended to read: "Application for membership of DK Club Niederrhein and DK Club Ostfriesland". At TOP 18 the clubs will be introduced by their representatives.

According to our statutes, applications for admission to the Verband must be announced to the members at the next AGM.

According to the statutes, the presidium of the DK Verband decides on the admission of new clubs.

Every Deutsch-Kurzhaar Club that accepts our statutes and regulations and fulfills the entry requirements is entitled to be admitted to the DK Verband.

Whether there is a need for the club or not is not relevant. The laws of the market will regulate the necessity.

At the AGM 2018 we decided to create an image film about DK. It represents the time span from the whelp to hunting utility dog and shows interested parties the performance and family friendliness, as well as the great character of the DK.

This image film has had over 94,000 hits so far.

Disciplinary proceedings: none. We look for solutions in conversation and not in court.

Mailing of the Kurzhaar Blätter: there are about 4 - 5 returns per quarter, which is a low rate.

The returns are reported to the club chairmen. They are asked to also keep track of the data maintenance. The data should be up to date by the middle of each quarter.

The next extended Presidium meeting will hopefully take place on 04.02.2023 again at the Intercity Hotel in Kassel. This year's meeting could not be held because of Corona.

All the activities are only possible with a dedicated team working together in harmony. We had several virtual meetings, we identified the problems together, we discussed ways to solve them in detail. Yesterday we met for seven hours and accomplished a tremendous feat in a civilized discussion culture, brainstorming at its best.

Many thanks for eight years of trustful and harmonious cooperation.

Mr. Hammerer ends his report with a thank you to all those who have spent a lot of free time and commitment for Deutsch-Kurzhaar, the club chairmen, all officers in the individual clubs, our breeders and those who have spent their free time at the tests as judges and testing ground guides. Many thanks also to the owners of the hunting grounds for making their hunting grounds available for the tests. A very special thank you also goes to the handlers who spare no expense and effort to train their Deutsch-Kurzhaar for hunting and to lead them at tests and conformation shows. Without the voluntary commitment of all those mentioned, the achievements would not have been reached.

Special thanks are also due to the new Presidium members, who have contributed in many ways to the meetings, and to Rudi Fisch for his article in the Kurzhaar Blätter.

With Mrs. Baumann we have made a good catch.

If you look around at our Verbands tests, you will see many young people in our ranks and we are proud of all of this.

## **TOP 5 Vice President's Report**

Mr. Fisch thinks that his activity report cannot be too extensive after half a year in office. In addition, the pandemic has restricted many things. Four video conferences took place in the executive presidium, in which he participated. He focused on our unique breeding test, the Dr. Kleemann breeding selection test. Especially after Thomas Jareschewski informed the association that he can only provide suitable testing grounds for the Kleemann 2022 for 140 dogs, i.e. testing grounds well stocked with feathered and furred game. This consequently of course also led to the evaluation of the IKP.

His concern is to preserve these singular and unique tests for our future generations. For this purpose it is necessary to put them to the test. He talked to dog handlers, association judges, hunters and hunting ground owners from all over Germany.

His questions were:

- Why did you buy a Deutsch-Kurzhaar?
- What do you expect of the Deutsch-Kurzhaar breed?

- How do you evaluate the Verband's breeding tests?

You can imagine that the answers were varied, but in summary:

- Everyone wants a dog with a strong character, high performance and good health.
- For them the dog belongs to the basic equipment of a hunter and they see the application possibilities above all in the field, water and with Nachsuchen, few for drive hunts.
- The testing system was criticized above all by the hunting grounds owners.

In addition, he has consulted literature, especially the handbook Deutsch-Kurzhaar by Dr. Friedrich Byhain was helpful to him.

The article "Quality or Quantity" in the Kurzhaar-Blättern 4-2021 is based on it, but of course also personal experiences of the last years have been included.

If you want something, you will find a solution. If you want to prevent something, you find a problem. He thinks and hopes that we all care about the Deutsch-Kurzhaar and the breeding of this unique dog. He also thought that everyone would agree that there is a need for action regarding the test regulations of the Kleemann and consequently also the IKP! The testing commission as well as the breeding commission are currently dealing with the issue. There are numerous proposals on the table. There are challenges that can only be overcome together. Mr. Fisch is grateful for yesterday's discussion and the solutions found.

Where in Germany do we still want to and will we be able to hold our large breeding tests?" How do the restrictions imposed by the Animal Welfare Dog Ordinance (German Regulation: "Tierschutz-Hundeverordnung") affect the tests?

What are the effects of a possible docking ban on our breeding?

Not very helpful are the publications in the social media (Facebook, Whatsapp ...).

He appealed to the unity in the DK Verband. Among other things, he referred to the fact that people with other interests also read the posts in social media and also specifically search for them. He has big problems with publications in the social media. In that context he also quoted Karl Walch's letter about the Animal Welfare Dog Ordinance, that went out to all DK clubs, which are members in the JGHV. "... Whoever believes they have to do their own thing, to delineate themselves or to outbid the authorities without conferring with the umbrella organisation, does not help anyone - in the long run not even their own club. They provide argumentation aids, for those who ultimately want to abolish hunting."

These discussions must be held within in the Verband and not in public! So let us all get down to work together and constructively, without personal sensitivities. There is no time to waste! Finally, the Vice President thanked the Presidium and numerous chairmen of the DK clubs for their constructive and goal-oriented cooperation. Many thanks also to Mr. Thomschke, the testing commission and breeding commission, who will work out good solutions by next year.

## **TOP 6 Breed Warden's Report**

Mr. Schad begins his report with a special thanks to the chairpersons and presidium members for the good cooperation.

In the breeding year 2021, 1842 puppies were born in 249 litters, 607 puppies more than in 2020. 141 puppies were reported dead. The sex ratio with 915 males and 927 females is almost balanced.

There were 115 different males used, including four foreign dogs. One male had 13 litters, one 9 and one 8.

In the past breeding year 66 mated bitches did not have whelps.

The so-called "9000 numbers" were assigned 32 times. This is rather negative.

35 applications for breeding permission for dogs bred abroad were submitted. In three matings both parents involved had been bred abroad. These application should be submitted at least four weeks ahead of the planned mating.

19 individual conformation evaluations were approved due to corona.

Two dogs having seizures were reported and treated according to our breeding regulations.

We have eight conformation judge apprentices at the moment. All of them passed the pre-test and can start with their apprenticeships.

Since we have four apprentices that have fulfilled all the preliminaries, a final exam will be held.

The VDH commission for hunting dogs had a meeting on November 18, 2021 to elect a successor for Gerwin Günter.

## TOP 7 Test Director's Report

Mr. Thonschke thinks that viewed from the outside, the past years 2021/2022 seemed uneventful in the second year of the pandemic. Also in the past year, our major test was cancelled due to Corona. This is regrettable, not only because the Kurzhaar family could not meet, but also because we were denied a comprehensive view of the status quo of our dogs and the breeding achievements. In retrospect, however, we must confirm that the cancellation was correct. The risk for participants and spectators, but especially the material and financial risk for the organizing clubs was too big due to the legal requirements. In the year ahead we can all look forward to the Dr. Kleemann Zuchtausleseprüfung 2022, organized by the club Nordmark. Initial information between the club chairman and Mr. Thonschke has been exchanged about the test. The North American Kurzhaar Test (NAKP) has been awarded to the Club DKGNA. For the years further ahead, the Verbands Kurzhaar tests have not yet been awarded. The attempt to win the clubs Oderland, Peene-Recknitz and Kurzhaar Voran for the IKP 2023 unfortunately failed. The current situation in Mecklenburg-Vorpommern (pandemic, bird flu and African swine fever) does not allow the three clubs to make a commitment. To what extent we can possibly carry out an IKP with the Serbian DK Club is also unclear due to the war situation in the Eastern European region. Perhaps we have to take into account that due to the numerous negative conditions it will be difficult to carry out Verbands tests in the next few years.

Despite all the enthusiasm for our big Verbands tests, the central task of the Verband and the clubs is first and foremost to conduct our tests, especially Solms and VGP. They are the basis for our breeding activity. Corona forced us to handle our tests and the entries in the studbook a bit more flexibly during the last two years. At least the Corona hygiene guidelines contributed to the fact that we were, in particular, able to carry out the Solms and VGPs. He was not informed of any conflicts during the execution of these tests. A thank you to all clubs that this largely went smoothly. The instrument of transcribing the scores from the Solms for the field work to the Derby in the stud book proved to be a good solution and was admired by other breeds. In 2022, however, this approach **will not** be pursued. As of this year the regulations of the DK Verband rules will apply again. That means execution of the Derby and Solms according to the valid regulations. This also applies to our breed shows.

However, all our examinations still have to comply with the national Corona regulations. Also concerning the number of tests, he would like to handle this loosely again in 2022, even if it is a difficult decision for him. However, it should not get to be a standard for the future that only small tests with perhaps just four dogs are held and he receives numerous further new test date requests. Handlers should be referred to other tests in the area. Please remember what is true and what we expect at our big Verbands tests in regard to "family reunions" also applies to our natural ability tests from the clubs point of view. These are also small "family reunions" at the club level and as many members as possible should come together to attend. Derbys and Solms with just four or less dogs, do not fulfill this purpose and tend to split things up.

Even in Corona times it must be the standard to correctly announce and publish the tests at the beginning of the year. Tests applied for at a later date must include: date of the test, test director, entry deadline, place and address of the test venue. These tests must be made public on the DKV website. Everybody should have the opportunity to go there.

He continues to be somewhat concerned about the quality of our breeding tests. Not nearly all Derby dogs have to have a 1st price. The argument he often hears at many tests "one does not want to ruin the dog's future" cannot be the guideline for us. In addition, the JGHV testing commission has to deal with many judging mistakes, whereby DK club are rarely involved in any kind of irregularities. Our tests are primarily there to gain statements for breeding and should not be a marketing argument. Reflecting this, in his opinion, wrong development is

when and how of the score "4h" is awarded, which he already addressed last year. The numbers have increased from 50 to 200. The JHV 2021 asked him to work out a guideline to how and when the score 4h is to be awarded. Mr. Thomschke and his commission have worked out an explanation and recommendation. The hand-out is available to the attendees. Likewise a definition of "loudness", which was co-ordinated with the commission, is also available. The definition was based on a draft from the commission. Both recommendations for action will be published in the next Kurzhaarblatt and on the website. Mr. Thomschke asks the clubs to proceed according to these hand-outs at their tests in 2022 and to inform him about their experiences by the end of October 2022. He will coordinate the results with his testing commission and submit them, after approval by the Presidium, for decision at the Annual General Meeting 2023. He will also work out proposals for the future implementation of the character test together with the commission.

At the end of his remarks, he would like to discuss the proposals for the withdrawal of the entry requirements for the Kleemann 2022.

1. At the AGM 2019 the club Nordmark was awarded the Dr. Kleemann-Zuchtausleseprüfung 2022 in the context of its 100th anniversary.

2. The Kleemann-Zuchtausleseprüfung 2020 was cancelled due to Corona.

3. The Presidium offered the Club Kurzhaar Voran to conduct the Kleemann 2022 on the basis of the preparations already made for the Kleemann 2020. The club Nordmark would then have withdrawn.

4. In summer 2021 the club Kurzhaar Voran informed the Presidium that due to club-internal problems, a realization of the Kleemann in 2022 is not possible.

5. Thereupon the DKV Director of Testing gave the club Nordmark the OK to host the Kleemann 2022.

6. After the AGM 2021, the club, after having coordinated the testing grounds, informed the DKV Director of Testing that they will only be able to test 140 dogs in the field testing grounds.

7. This situation led to the fact that the Presidium had to deal with the new situation intensively in several meetings, and decided on extended entry requirement restrictions. The urgency for the decision of these extended restrictions resulted because the announcement for the Dr. Kleemann-Zuchtauslese test had to be published in the Kurzhaar Blätter 4-2021.

8. It is not true that the extended entry requirement restrictions to the Kleemann 2022 are connected to the presented suggestion at the AGM 2021 to amend the entry requirements the Kleemann test regulations. It was pointed out in the Kurzhaar Blätter that the extended entry requirement restrictions only apply to Kleemann 2022. The decision of the Presidium was made under the aspect of being able to have a Kleemann in 2022. Otherwise the consequence would have been a cancellation of the Kleemann.

9. Between December 2021 and January 2022, the Presidium surveyed the clubs for an assumable nominal number according to both the entry requirements of the currently valid Kleemann test regulations and according to the extended entry requirement restrictions. Result: 212 according to currently valid regulations / 133 with extended entry requirement restrictions.

Mr. Thomschke is all the more pleased that yesterday's meeting highlighted the great level of agreement and the results that have been achieved, as to how the Kleemann 2022 can be held in consensus and that the remaining dogs but can be tested in 2023 at a further Kleemann.

Now there is time to completely revise the test regulations. Many suggestions have already been discussed. We want to upgrade the Kleemann and generate statements about breeding and genetics at our tests. The aspects of judging and evaluation are not to be ignored. All clubs are asked to cooperate. Mr. Thomschke believes that we are already on a good way. At the end of his report he thanks all members of the Presidium for the very good cooperation. He also thanks the members of the Commission for Testing and many clubs in the DK Verband.

Request to speak / voiced opinions about awarding 4h:

In some cases, the 4h is not awarded because the written justification involves further action.

The much higher number of entries also causes an increase in the 4h score. The hunting/testing grounds conditions rarely provide the more "particularly difficult conditions". Mr. Thomschke is in tense anticipation of the feedback from the clubs regarding the "particularly difficult conditions".

### **TOP 8 Studbook Officer's Report**

Mr. Hammerer is pleased to have one important position in the DK Verband. In the breeding year 2021, 1842 pedigrees were issued, 226 of which were for whelps born in North America. In addition, 32 certificates were issued for foreign dogs that were entered into our stud book.

53 new breeders or breeding communities have been entered into our data base. 13 litters were sired by Rocky III von Neuarenberg. A total of 115 stud dogs were used, on average about 1.5 stud acts/male. The average litter size was 7.4 puppies. In total there were 249 litters, in the previous year 174.

The studbook 2021 was available right on time at the beginning of the year 2022. In this context, the importance of the punctual submission of the annual club reports is pointed out. Only then can shipping and availability of the additionally desired studbooks be guaranteed. In the studbook online the essential files are updated regularly.

Also with the program DKVRZV2 all users can access the current data conveniently and clearly.

In §22 General Regulations is stated: "...the intended breeding tests shall be announced in due time." Accordingly, the dates do not have to be published in the Kurzhaar Blätter. The layout costs for the test schedules and the additional material costs were very high in the last issue. Meanwhile, the needed paper has to be ordered and reserved nine months in advance. Therefore, the mode of announcement was discussed together with Mr. Meier.

At the AGM 2021 it was decided that absence of OCD is a breeding requirement. Since then, that was not confirmed for two dogs.

At the end of his report as studbook officer, Mr. Hammerer thanks everyone who has supported him in his work, especially the presidium, the club chairmen and breed wardens, the breeders, and especially Anja Baumann. She does the work in the studbook office extremely conscientiously and reliably.

#### Request to speak / voiced opinions about the mode of publication of the exams:

They do not have to be printed in the Kurzhaar Blätter. Desired are interesting and important articles about dogs (health, hunting and scientific topics).

Not all are firm online.

It is more than sufficient to publish the test data on the website [www.deutsch-kurzhaar.de](http://www.deutsch-kurzhaar.de).

The presidium is requested to formulate a proposal to vote on under TOP 19.

### **Greetings to the assembly from Karl Walch, President JGHV**

After his greeting Mr. Walch reports among other things about the new Animal Welfare Dog Ordinance (German Regulation: "Tierschutz-Hundeverordnung"). He warns against spreading and discussing everything and anything in the social media. The JGHV passed a resolution on the subject of tail docking at its AGM in 2021. Tail docking is still legally permissible for hunting dogs in justified individual cases. A recent expert opinion from Scotland supports the necessity. In this matter, the solidarity of all breeders and associations is imperative. A new scientific expert opinion on the subject can be helpful in the argumentation.

### **TOP 9 Studbook Office Employee's Report**

As the number of whelps already shows, 2021 was a very busy year in the studbook office, 1/3 more whelps registered than in average years. When she started working in the studbook office almost five years ago, there were about 250 invoices per year. Last year, she sent out 354 invoices. The majority of the invoices are for the registered litters, in addition there are kennel name applications, certificates for foreign DKs, pedigree duplicates, transponders that

are no longer readable, etc. Aside from these tasks, the entry of test results is another part of her work. 410 Derby/Solms/AZP and conformation shows were processed, as well as JGHV tests and HD results registered. She still enjoys this varied work very much, especially because the cooperation with the breeders and the studbook officer works very well. If there is a tricky matter to work on, our studbook officer always has very good solutions ready for her.

In the breeding year 2021 319 mating acts were reported. 66 mating acts remained without a litter. She did not receive any notification of mating 14 times and 23 times the mating notification was late, i.e. later than seven days after the mating day. This statistic has to be improved. Our breed wardens in the clubs are responsible for that, but more on the topic this afternoon at the breed wardens' seminar.

During the breed wardens' seminar, she would also like to intensively discuss further improvements in the work flow of the studbook office. Mrs. Baumann is looking forward to an intensive dialogue with the breed wardens.

She would like to see a telephone number on the entry forms so that she does not have to consult the JGHV judges' program when she has questions, and also because the current telephone numbers are not always stored there.

In general, she points out that applications must be filled out on the computer or in print, otherwise they will be sent back. All procedures, except for test score sheets and documents, can also be sent via e-mail, as long as it is a PDF file. Other formats are usually poorly readable.

Then on to the new testing season, where perhaps some thought will be given to not organizing so many micro tests with one or two dogs, but to testing at least three dogs per occasion. (93 micro tests in 2021).

Mrs. Baumann is looking forward to a lively exchange at the breed wardens' seminar.

### **TOP 10 Treasurer's Report**

The financial report with the revenue and expenditures was published in the Kurzhaar Blätter 1-2022. Mr. Beyer announces the following cash balance as of 31.12.21: 148.000 €.

The expenses for shipping the Kurzhaar Blätter amounted to approximately 20.000 €. The travel expenses for the presidium were circa 1.000 €. The expenditures for the president's office are 0.0 €.

An invoice from the "Künstlersozialkasse" (social security fund for artists) was inexplicable to him at first. Finally, he found out that the amount of ~ 500 €/year was charged for the DK image film. He managed to arrange a one-time payment of the amount.

Because assets need to be reduced, the 2022 budget proposes to reduce the balance. This will mainly benefit the clubs, foreseen in the budget is the following:

- Shipping costs for the Kurzhaar Blätter will not be charged to the clubs in 2022.
- The membership fees will be reduced to 5,00 € in 2022.
- The DK Verband will give each Kleemann participant a Kurzhaar calendar.

These measures shall be limited to the year 2022 for the time being.

The treasurer thanks the clubs and everyone present.

The Verband invites all assembly attendees to lunch.

### **TOP 11 Secretary's Report**

Mr. Meier is pleased to be able to attend the Annual General Meeting in person again this year, after unfortunately having been unable to do so last year due to illness. Furthermore, he would not want to miss the opportunity to personally thank everyone for his re-election last year.

The topic publication of test dates is still an issue and once again this year has cost various phone calls and a lot of man power for him and Mr. Langhammer. However, we are on a good way to finally conclude this for the coming year.

Since the Presidium was asked to submit a proposal for online publication, see TOP 8, previous considerations with TSI and the printing company can be put on hold.

As every year, he asks for active participation with articles, for example about breeding, training, etc., to make the Kurzhaar Blätter more attractive. Everyone is kindly asked to contribute actively.

Once again, he would also like to appeal that we urgently need usable image material. The images should be captioned and have a corresponding file name. Submissions are very rare, or the images are not suitable. He would like to give everyone the opportunity to have their pictures printed here, provided they are suitable. He asks all chairmen to communicate this information to their clubs.

Mr. Meier thanks Mr. Langhammer from the printing company, Reinhard Liebe and the Hammerer's for the very good cooperation last year.

### **TOP 12 Board Assessors' Report**

Mr. Sakowski felt he could be brief with his activity report this year. He has once again taken on the task of organizing the video conferences that took place last year in consultation with our President and inviting people to them on behalf of the President. The format of the video conferences has stood the test and has worked well. The exchange within the Presidium is thus possible at short notice and in a cost-saving manner. During the four long and very long conferences, it has become particularly useful to discuss topics in a timely manner.

Mr. Krieger has not been a Presidium member very long and is not assigned to any area of expertise. He found the conferences productive. He is willing to make a constructive personal contribution. Good ways were found together. He expressed his thanks for the trusting atmosphere in the Presidium.

Dr. Schreiber excused himself due to illness.

### **TOP 13 Auditors' Report**

Mr. Reiner Schad gives the auditors' report. He thanks Mr. Beyer and the tax consultant's office Sturm for the impeccable work.

Messrs. Schad and Bloß reviewed the accounts for compliance on March 14, 2022. In the closing balance a credit of 148.142,48 € is shown. The bookkeeping records are correct and in good order.

### **TOP 14 Release of the Board**

Reiner Schad moves to release Mr. Beyer and the entire Presidium from responsibility for management during the preceding year.

Result: unanimous.

He expressed his thanks and appreciation to the Presidium for their work.

### **TOP 15 Status of EDP Development**

The Meld2 program has been in use for several years.

The feedback is very positive, so far there has not been a single negative report.

The program DKVRZV2 is online, it can be ordered with a form.

For clubs free of charge, for breeders and Kurzhaar friends at net cost price of 50 € + VAT.

All clubs and over 50 breeders are already using this program.

The manuals for both programs can be downloaded as PDF files under "Shop".

We are currently working on an entry program for tests, conformation shows, etc..

Our regulations do not require that the test dates have to be published in the Kurzhaar Blätter. Tests only have to be announced in time. Conformation shows should be reported at least six weeks prior to the date to the DKV breed warden and the Studbook Office.

The KH-Blatt 1-2022 with the published dates cost 7.500 €, the KH-Blatt 4-2021 only 1.800 €.

A proposal is to be made under TOP 19 as to whether online publication is sufficient.

Thus about 5,000 € programming costs and per year approx. 5,000 € costs for the KH Blätter could be saved.

## **TOP 16 Budget, Discussion and Resolution**

The budget for 2022 has been handed out.

Mr. Beyer reports that all investments for the future have been made.

The assets must be reduced to under 100,000 € to maintain the non-profit status. The membership fees are to be reduced from 8,00 €/p. member to 5,00 €/p. member for one year.

### Request to speak / voiced opinions:

Since expenses for programming a mask for test data input are no longer required in the budget, it is suggested to donate 1,000 € for the co-financing of an ambulance for the Ukraine and to insert this in the budget.

If the JGHV commissions an scientific expert opinion regarding docking, the DK Verband will contribute to the costs.

However, Mr. Walch reminds us that we will then have to live with the result of the expertise. The pain perception of three-day-old whelps should be examined opposed to the pain of tail injuries.

The budget with the above changes is approved unanimously.

## **TOP17 Honours**

The names of the proposed persons are read out.

For the Golden Pin:

Vanita Skinner, CDKA

Randall Cherry, DKGNA

Jeff Martin, DKGNA

Stefan Gügel, Franken

Ute Hurych, Kurmainz

Patti Carter, NADKC

Monika Casper, Saar

Manfred Herbel, Südwest

There are no objections. None of the honoured persons are present. The pins and certificates are handed over to the club representatives for them to give the awards at a suitable occasion, resp. will be sent

The Handler Pin in Real Gold (3 passed Kleemanntests) is awarded to Hubertus Krieger.

## **TOP 18 New Member Clubs in the DKV**

The following clubs have applied for admission to the DK Verband:

- „DK-Klub Niederrhein“
- „DK-Klub Ostfriesland“

The chairman of the DK Club Lower Rhine, Ludger Krebs briefly presents his club, which was founded in October 2021. Of the 75 members, 98.3% are hunters.

They want to meet all the goals of the DK Verband and motivate young handlers. They have good small game hunting grounds (about 35,000 ha) with meadows and waters.

They have submitted all necessary documents, hope for good cooperation and acceptance in the DKV.

The DK Club East Frisia is presented by its chairman, Jens Stahl. The club exists since February 6, 2022. All board members are Verbands judges. They wish a good cooperation and hope for a positive feedback in the next year.

According to the statutes the Presidium of the DK-Verband decides about the admission of new clubs. Both clubs have fulfilled the admission requirements.

Excerpt from the Statutes:

4.4 After an application announced at an Annual General Meeting and review of the submitted documents, the Presidium decides on the admission at the latest at the AGM after the next.

## **TOP 19 Submitted Proposals, Consultation and Resolution**

Proposal Presidium: Conformation shows in Germany may only be held during the months May through August.

The proposal is adopted with 371 yea votes, 10 nay votes , 21 abstentions.

Proposal Althümmling, Berlin, Diepholz, Nordwest, Peene-Recknitz, Weser-Ems, Saar:  
Announcement Kleemann 2022, Entry Requirements

The proposal is withdrawn. All points will be taken into account by the commissions and the Presidium when drafting the proposed amendments to the test regulations.

Proposal WKK: Number of Conformation Judges

The proposal is defeated by 382 nay votes, 20 yea votes, no abstentions.

Proposal Schaumburg-Lippe: Amendment Test Regulations Kleemann

The proposal is withdrawn. All points will be taken into account by the commissions and the Presidium when drafting the proposed amendments to the test regulations.

Proposal Artland-Emsland: Amendment Test Regulations Kleemann, Minutes

The proposal is withdrawn. All points will be taken into account by the commissions and the Presidium when drafting the proposed amendments to the test regulations.

Proposal Althümmling: Amendment Test Regulations Kleemann, Statues

The proposal is withdrawn. All points will be taken into account by the commissions and the Presidium when drafting the proposed amendments to the test regulations.

Proposal Diepolz: Amendment Test Regulations Kleemann, Breeding Regulations, Statues

The proposal is withdrawn. All points will be taken into account by the commissions and the Presidium when drafting the proposed amendments to the test regulations.

Proposal Berlin: Amendment Test Regulations Kleemann

The proposal is withdrawn. All points will be taken into account by the commissions and the Presidium when drafting the proposed amendments to the test regulations.

Proposal Nordwest: Amendment Test Regulations Kleemann

The proposal is withdrawn. All points will be taken into account by the commissions and the Presidium when drafting the proposed amendments to the test regulations.

Proposal Peene-Recknitz: Amendment Test Regulations Kleemann

The proposal is withdrawn. All points will be taken into account by the commissions and the Presidium when drafting the proposed amendments to the test regulations.

Proposal Presidium: Publication of test dates no longer in the Kurzhaar Blättern but exclusively on the website.

The proposal is adopted with 383 yea votes, 8 nay votes, 11 abstentions

Proposal Presidium: All dogs, which are qualified for the Kleemann according to the announcement 4-2021 or according to the currently valid PO can be entered by July 1, 2022. Entered Dogs, which are qualified according to the currently valid PO, will be tested at the Kleemann 2023.

The proposal is adopted unanimously.

Proposal Presidium: The Kleemann 2023 will be hosted by the clubs Althümmling und Weser-Ems.

The proposal is adopted unanimously.

Proposal Presidium: DKs bred and remaining in Germany, which are undocked, can no longer be admitted to the IKP or Kleemann. This regulation is immediately effective.

The proposal is adopted unanimously.

## TOP 20 IKP 2023 und KLEEMANN 2024

The Kleemann 2022 will take place in the anniversary year of the club Nordmark. In 2023 there will be no IKP because the clubs Althümmeling and Weser-Ems will host a Kleemann. For the Kleemann 2024 and the IKP 2025 we are still looking for hosts.

## TOP 21 AOB

The CDKA club requests to host the next NAKP in 2025.

It is considered as an improvement that the handlers will be allowed to shoot at the Kleemann in Nordmark themselves.

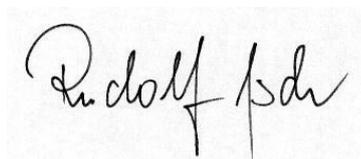
The proposals should be printed in issue 1 of the Kurzhaar Blätter in the future.

The clubs trust that the contents of their proposals will be taken into account in the preparation of the proposed amendments.

Mr. Hammerer thanks for the engaged contributions, the pleasant atmosphere and looks forward to a prosperous cooperation in the Presidium and Extended Presidium. He cannot thank everyone often enough for the stamina to confer for seven hours, as was the case yesterday, so that solutions were found for the upcoming tests and the future strategic orientation.



Michael Hammerer, President



Rudolf Fisch, Vice President

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