

President's Message

by Frank O'Leary



Hunting season in Washington and Oregon has concluded. This year, in Washington at least, was the worst for pheasants that I have seen since the eights! Thankfully it's over and hopefully next year we will have more birds.

The DKGNA testing season will get under way the first week of March in South Carolina. The 2022 DKGNA Test Schedule is available on line. [Click here to view the 2022 DKGNA test schedule.](#) Please remember that all test are subject to local regulations and restrictions so keep in touch with the Test Coordinators.

It is the time of year that matings are taking place and litters are being born. Litters are being posted on the DKGNA website. [Click here to view the DKGNA Litter Page.](#) We encourage all breeders to stay in communication with Randall Cherry, DKGNA Breed Warden, to make sure you are following the new regulations. The process is not complicated if you follow the steps. We have had some breeders that didn't and it complicated the registration and became more expensive than was necessary. Please communicate with Randall before you start the mating process.

The DKGNA has determined that our Annual Meeting will take place between May 12th – 14th. The event will be held in Lehi, UT (Salt Lake City area), details will be forthcoming.



Information about the DKGNA Annual Raffle will be distributed this month. This year there will be four prizes and one-hundred and fifty tickets will be sold. [Hunt Oregon](#) has agreed to donate the four person/three day/ four night upland bird hunt again. We are currently awaiting final confirmation on the Beretta shotgun (apparently there is a shortage in the firearm supply line). [Tyler Silcox vom Himmel Fallen](#) has donated the Wild Boar, Whitetail Deer, and Quail Hunt. New this year, Taegergrills has donated a portable grill. Once all of the details are confirmed flyers and tickets will be printed and distributed. It is our goal to draw the winners at the DKGNA Annual Meeting in May.

There continues to be a vigorous debate over the rules for qualification for the 2022 Kleemann. There was a "New", more restrictive, set of regulations established by the Präsidium which has caused quite an uproar. The new regulations will eliminate many of the dogs that were eligible under the long standing qualification regulations. In the DKGNA we had six dogs that were qualified and under the new regulations only two remain eligible. There has been serious push back from the clubs in Germany and the debate continues. Stay tuned for updates.

Best Regards,

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