

President Message

by Frank O'Leary



May has been a very busy month for the DKGNA members. Between the Derbies and Zuchtschous in Walla Walla, WA, Lehi, UT and Kansasville, WI, and Annual

Meeting we have all been busy.

The DKGNA held our 2022 Annual Meeting in Lehi, UT, May 12 – 14. The event was attended by fifty-five members from throughout North America and Germany. Thursday evening the Welcome Reception was held at our host hotel, Home2 Suites by Marriott.

Friday, the day started early as the caravan from the hotel traveled to the Derby testing grounds. Twenty-eight dogs were scheduled to participate in four different judging groups. Test Coordinator Scott Jacobs and Test Director Jörg Kaltenegger managed to coordinate the success event. After lunch the caravan moved to the park for the Zuchtschau. Thirty dogs participated in the Zuchtschau. Judges for the Females were SZRs Dagmar Heydeck and Harald Beyer. The Males were evaluated by SZRs Jörg Kaltenegger and Rainer Seeber.

Saturday was the General Meeting and Banquet. Held at Cabelas, in Lehi, the whole day went off as well as possible. During the General Membership Meeting the speakers were very informative and the audience remained engaged. The Banquet that evening, in addition to excellent food, yes excellent food at a banquet, was very nice and a great fund raiser for the DKGNA. In addition to the Raffle our silent auction raised in excess of \$7,000.00 dollars and Madison's card drawing another \$520.00. The DKGNA wishes to thank all those who bought auction items or participated in the Card Game for their support of the DKGNA. Special Thanks to Madison Losse and Tyler Smith for all their efforts to make the day both enjoyable and successful.

If you were unable to attend the 2022 DKGNA Annual Meeting, please make plans to join us in 2023.

As we enter the month of June our spring testing schedule will wrap up with the Derby in High River, Alberta Canada.

The fall will be upon us shortly and I am sure many of us are preparing our dogs for the fall tests. Good luck with your training.

Best Regards

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