2024 DKGNA ANNUAL MEETING Derby & Zuchtschau Hailey, ID May 16th – 18th, 2024



The 2024 DKGNA Annual Meeting & Banquet was held May $16^{\text{th}} - 18^{\text{th}}$, in beautiful Hailey, ID. The Annual Meeting and Banquet was held in conjunction with a Derby and Zuchtschau.

The festivities started on Thursday evening, May 16th, with the Welcome Reception at the Wood River Inn (Host Hotel in Hailey). Annual Meeting attendees were hosted to pizza and beverages.

The Derby took place on Friday, May 17th. The group assembled at Valley Wide Co-op in Bellevue at 7:00 AM. The groups left for the field at 7:45 AM. There were seventeen dogs to be evaluated in three judging groups evaluating the dogs. The results of the Derby can be viewed at: <u>https://dkgna.org/schedule-and-results/</u>

The Annual Meeting took place Saturday morning and afternoon, May 18th, in the Minnie Moore Room, of the Blaine County Community Recreation District headquarters (BCCRD"), in Hailey, ID. During the Annual Meeting the attendees heard presentation from Alec Losee on the Derby and Entry process for your dog, Tyler Smith spoke on Kurzhaar Kulture, and Todd Synoground on the VGP. Also, Josh Morris spoke about the process of importing a young dog.

The Zuchtschau took place Saturday afternoon, on grounds near to the BCCRD. There were fifteen dogs that were evaluated in two groups. Francois Aldrich, SZR, evaluated the Junior Males. Ursula Scriba, SZR, and Antje Engelbart-Schmidt, SZR evaluate the Junior and Adult Females.



On Saturday evening the Awards Banquet, Silent Auction, and Prime Rib Plated Dinner took place at The Kneadery, in Ketchum, ID. Awards presented included:

Francois Aldrich Best Dog Award -

Cecilia vom Prärieflügel - Leader Edie Stelkovics > Golden Needle Awrad - Patrice Kortuem

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- Golden Needle Award Madison Losse
- > Golden Needle Award Vito Caraamia

The evening activities were enhanced by the atmosphere and meal provided by the Kneadery. Bidding during the Silent Auction was lively and competitive. During the Social Hour friendships were made and existing friendships were revisited. There were even some stories shared about the Derby and hunting experiences. All and all it was a fun evening shared by all.