

President's Message

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As we welcome in June things in the State of Washington are beginning to open up from the pandemic. We are far from back to normal, but stores and restaurants are opening, with limited capacity, and it seems like things are improving.

We are looking forward to resuming testing in the fall and the DKGNA has a busy schedule:

- On September 25th and 26th, will be holding a Solms/AZP/ Zuchtschau at Wasatch Wing and Clay, in Cedar Fort, UT. Both days of this test are already full. If you will be unable to participate and have already entered please let Tyler know ASAP as we have people on a waiting list! Tyler Smith will be the Test Coordinator and can be reached at 801-420-8076 or by email at kurzhaar.v.hochland@gmail.com.
- October 3rd and 4th, in Walla Walla, WA, we will host a Solms/AZP/Zuchtschau. At this time we have seven dogs entered and still have spots available. Frank O'Leary is the Test Coordinator and can be reached at 509-520-7483 or via email at foleary7@gmail.com.
- In Frisco City, AL, we will host an HZP on October 9th. A Solms/AZP/Zuchtschau will be held on October 10th & 11th. The Test Coordinator is Tyler Silcox and can be reached at 251-564-6613 or by email at himmelfallendDK@gmail.com.
- October 30th & 31st we are back in Walla Walla, WA for a VGP. Frank O'Leary is the Test Coordinator and can be reached at 509-520-7483 or via email at foleary7@gmail.com.
- A Solms/AZP/Zuchtschau will take place on November 1st, in Walla Walla, WA. Frank O'Leary is the Test Coordinator and can be reached at 509-520-7483 or via email at foleary7@gmail.com.
- The Fall test season will conclude at Lillington, NC, on November 7th & 8th, with a Solms/AZP/Zuchtschau. Scott Caldwell is the Test Coordinator for this event and can be reached at 910-514-6059 or by email at scott@sharkcage.com.

As you all know the spring testing season was cancelled without a Derby being held. The DKV has made it clear that every accommodation will be made to provide a path for the dogs that have not had the opportunity to do a Derby to achieve that rating. Options that have been determined are:

- Dogs doing a Solms this fall will have the opportunity to receive Derby ratings for "Nose, Pointing, Search, and Cooperation" simultaneously while being

judged for the Solms. The leader's decision to exercise this option will have to be declared prior to the start of the dog's test.

- If the dog does not do a Solms or does a Solms but the Leader chooses not to exercise the aforementioned Derby option, will have the opportunity to do a Derby in 2021. This is a onetime exception and the age limit will be waived.



The **2020 DKGNA Raffle** is off to a great start. As of this publication more than 25% of the tickets have already been sold. This year you can buy tickets online on the DKGNA website at: dkgna.org. [Click here to view Raffle Flyer!!](#)

The **2020 Kleemann** was also a victim of the Coronavirus! At this time the DKV is planning to have both an IKP and the Kleemann in the fall of 2021. The IKP will take place in September, in Hungary. Klub Weser Ems will host the 2021 Kleemann in October. As you can imagine there are a lot of logistic problems that need to be overcome to make this work, not the least of which is securing 150 plus judges for the IKP and then a month later having 120 plus judges for the Kleemann. I am sure the DKV Board of Directors is exploring every option to make this work. Stay Tuned for updates!!



We are optimistic that testing will resume in the fall and look forward to seeing everyone participate. Be sure to review the [DKGNA Testing Schedule](#) and sign up for your fall test ASAP. You should check with your test coordinator to see if there are training days available prior to your test.

We wish all of you and your families only good health!!

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