

MINUTES

of the WUSV meeting

on September 3, 2007 in Braunschweig

1.) Administrative matters

1.1 Call to order

Herr Henke opened the meeting at 9:00am and greeted the Delegates as well as the members of the WUSV Board and the WUSV Office. He greeted the Judges of the Working Male class, SV Breed Warden Reinhardt Meyer, the judge of the Working Bitch Class Bernhard Norda, the SV Breed Warden Günther Diegel, the Show Chairman for this year's Sieger Show Georg zum Felde and his colleague Heiko Grube who is also SV press agent.

Herr Henke thanked the Regional Director of the host region for this year's Sieger Show for a successful event.

Herr Henke requested that those present stand for a moment of silence in memory of the former SV- and WUSV President Herr Peter Messler and Mr. Nawabzada Husain.

1.2 Timeliness of the notice

The notice of the meeting was distributed to all member clubs as specified by the By-laws

1.3 Roll call

Present were:

President of the WUSV:

Herr Wolfgang Henke, Germany

Members of the Board of the WUSV:

Dr. Wolfgang Tauber, Austria

Dr. Erkki Läike, Finland

Prof. Dr. David Landau, USA

Members of the Central Committee:

Herr Imran Husain, Pakistan

Dr. Francisco Navarro-Reynoso, Mexico

Herr Erich Orschler, Germany

The General Secretary of the WUSV,

Herr Clemens Lux, Germany

Australia:

German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc.

Herr Bruce Knight

Belgium:

Vereniging voor Duitse Herdershonden V.V.D.H.

Herr Roland Dierendonck

Royal Club du Berger Allemand de Belgique

Herr Jean-Claude Moeremans

Brazil:

Sociedade Brasileira Caes Pastores Alemanes

Herr Paulo Mauricio Soares

- Chile:
Club Chileno de Criadores Ovejeros Alemanes
Herr Virgilio Garbin
- China:
Chinesischer Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde
Herr Zhang Xing Li
- Costa Rica:
Asociacion Ovejero Aleman de Costa Rica
Herr Victor Garcia
- Denmark:
Schaeferhundklubben for Danmark
Herr Fritz Bennedbäk
- Germany:
Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde (SV) e. V.
Herr Erich Orschler
- Ecuador:
Asociacion de Criadores de Perros Ovejeros Alemanes del Ecuador
Herr Roberto Caputi
- El Salvador:
Asociacion Salvadorena del Pastor Aleman
Herr Carlos Rivera
- Estonia:
Estnischer Verein Deutscher Schäferhunde (ESLÜ)
Herr Toomas Kivisalu
- Finland:
Saksanpaimenkoiraliitto
Herr Erkki Aarnio
- France:
Societe du Chien de Berger Allemand
Herr Francis Reuther
- Great Britain:
British Association for German Shepherd Dogs
Herr Andrew Winfrow

German Shepherd Dog League of Great Britain
Herr Graham Stephens
- Guatemala:
Asociacion Guatemalteca del Pastor Aleman
Herr Carlos Rivera
- Hong Kong:
German Shepherd Dog Club of Hong Kong SAR Ltd.
(name unknown)
- Indonesia:
Indonesian German Shepherd Dog Club
Herr Thie Hong-Peng
- Ireland:
German Shepherd Dog Club of Ireland
Herr Ray D`Arcy (arrived late)

The National German Shepherd Working Dog Association
Herr John Buckley

Israel:

German Shepherd Dog Club of Israel
Frau Eva Oster

Japan:

Nippon Police Dog Association
Herr Yoshitaka Yoshioka

Japanischer Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde
Herr Norio Nakamoto

Columbia:

Asociacion Columbiana Perros Pastores Alemanes
Herr Rafael Trivino

Latvia:

Klub der Deutschen Schäferhunde Lettland
Frau Inese Mellepe

Luxemburg:

Centrale Luxemboureoise Du Sport Pour Chiens d' Utilite
Herr Jos Mondot

Malaysia:

Malaysian Kennel Association
Herr Dr. C. Fonseka

Mexico:

Club Canofilo Mexicano de Pastor Aleman
Herr Ricardo Garcia

Netherlands:

VDH-Holland
Herr Evert Mulder

Norway:

Norsk Schaeferhund Klub
Herr Tor Aspengren

Austria:

Schäferhundverein Österreich
Herr Josef Schallegruber

Pakistan:

German Shepherd Dog Club of Pakistan
Frau Samar Husain

Peru:

Asociacion Peruana de Criadores de Perros Pastores Alemanes
Herr Roque Benavides

Portugal

Pastor Alemao Clube de Portugal
Herr Vitor Manuel Gaspar

Sweden:

Svenska Schaeferhundklubben
Herr Roland Fors

- Switzerland:
Schweizerischer Schäferhunde Club (SC)
Herr René Rudin
- Serbia:
Asocijacija Nemackih Ovcara Jugoslavije
Herr Nenad Popovic
- Singapore:
German Shepherd Dog Club Singapore
Herr Yap Yong Qing
- Slovenia:
Kinolosko DNOS
Herr Golob Alojzij
- Spain:
Real Club Espanol del Perro de Pastor Alemán
Herr Felipe Calvo
- South Africa:
German Shepherd Dog Federation of Southern Africa
Herr Frikkie van Kraayenburg
- South Korea:
Korean Kennel Club
Herr Chang Seok-Kye
- Taiwan:
German Shepherd Dog Ass. of Taiwan
Herr Ke Wu

Taiwan Kennel Association (TKA)
Frau Julia Lan
- Turkey:
Deutscher Schäferhundeverein Türkei
Herr Etem Vatansever
- Ukraine:
Zentralclub für Deutsche Schäferhunde der Ukraine
Herr Gennadj Severin
- Hungary:
Magyar Ebtenyésztők Országos Egyesülete
Herr Dr. Levente Miklós

Magyarországi Nemet Juhaszkutya Klub
Herr Ferenc Szegvari
- United States of America:
German Shepherd Dog Club of America
Frau Heidi Landau

United Schutzhund Clubs of America
Herr Lyle Roetemeyer
- for the Main Office,
Frau Brigitte Heinzl, Germany
Herr Hartmut Setecki, Germany

Recording Secretary,
Frau Martina Haußmann, Germany

Speakers:
Herr Reinhardt Meyer, SV Breed Warden and Judge, GHKL-Males
Herr Bernhard Norda, Judge, GHKL-Bitches

Herr Günther Diegel, SVNational Training Director

Guests:
Regional Director for the host region for the SV Sieger Show, Herr Georg zum Felde and the SV-Press agent, Herr Heiko Grube

Kenya:
East Africa German Shepherd Dog League
Frau Anna Lawrence-Brown

Jersey:
Jersey Schutzhund Center
Frau Jarmila Pallot

Egypt:
Eastwind Kennels
Herr Hashem El Dandarawy

Absent were:

Argentina - Club Argentino de Criadores del Perro Ovejero Aleman
Belarus - Verein der Schäferhundbesitzer in Belarus
Bulgarian - Bulgarischer Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde (BSV)
Greece - The Hellenic German Shepherd Dog Club
India - The German Shepherd Dog Club of India
Italy - Società Amatori Schäferhunde
Canada - German Shepherd Schutzhund Club of Canada
Kazakhstan- Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde der Republik Kasachstan
Croatia - Zajednica udruga Klubova uzgajaca njemackih ovcara Hrvatske –
Hrvatski kinolski savez
Lithuania - Deutscher Schäferhunde Verein in Litauen
New Zealand - German Shepherd Dog Advisory Council (Inc.)
- Wellington District German Shepherd Dog Club
Panama - Federation Canofila De Perros Pastores
Paraguay - Club Ovejero Aleman Del Paraguay
Philippines - German Shepherd Dog Federation of the Philippines
Poland - Klub Owzarka Niemieckiego przy ZG ZKwP
Rumania - Clubul National de Ciobanesc German
Russian Federation- Russischer Verein für Besitzer der Deutschen
Schäferhunde
Slovakian Republic - Slovenska unia chovatelov nemeckych ovciakov
South Korea - Korea Kennel Federation
Thailand - German Shepherd Dog Association of Thailand
Trinidad & Tobago- German Shepherd Breed Club of Trinidad & Tobago
Czech Republic - Züchterklub Deutscher Schäferhunde
Uruguay - Schäferhundeverein Uruguay
Cyprus - Cyprus German Shepherd Club

Present were a total of
50 voting member clubs.

According to the Bylaws of the WUSV a quorum is present if 1/5 of the member clubs are present. Since 50 of the 76 member clubs were present as well as the 4 voting Board members, a quorum of the assembly was present.

1.4 Approval of the agenda

The agenda as distributed was approved by general consent although the order was changed.

10) SV-Sieger Show 2007 Braunschweig

10.2.GHKL Bitches: Bernhard Norda

The judge of the Working Bitch class, Herr Bernhard Norda, introduced the bitches in his class to whom he awarded the rating "V-Auslese".

10.1 GHKL Males: SV-Vereinszuchtwart Reinhardt Meyer

The judge of the Working Male class, Herr Reinhardt Meyer, introduced the males to whom he awarded the rating "V-Auslese".

The representative of the German Shepherd Dog Club of Ireland arrived so the number of voting clubs was increased to 51.

2.) Report by the President of the WUSV and the General Secretary of the WUSV

a.) WUSV

President Henke reported on the cooperation with the newly formed WUSV-Central Committee. Members include Herr Imran Husain (Pakistan), Herr Francisco Navarro-Reynoso (Mexico) and Herr Erich Orschler (Germany) who were named to two year terms.

The next meeting of the WUSV-Board will be on November 8, 2007. The Board will consider the development of new Bylaws and a new financial structure.

b.) SV

President Henke reported on events in the the motherland of the breed. He emphasized the positive atmosphere and the constructive and effective cooperation. He informed those present of a Working Judge seminar that will be held from July 11-13, 2008..

c.) FCI

President Henke reported on the good cooperation with the FCI, in particular as concerns the situations in Turkey, Brazil, Switzerland, and Ukraine.

2.1 Report by the Audit Committee

Herr Schallegruber reported on the audit of the WUSV financial records that he and Herr Rudin had conducted. He reported that at the moment no clubs are in arrears with their dues.

Total WUSV expenses were about 45,000 Euros with a deficit being covered by the SV.

2.2 Ratification of the activities of the WUSV Board

Herr Schallegruber requested ratification of the actions of the Board of Directors of the WUSV during the past year, and this was approved unanimously.

2.3 Election of the Audit Committee

Herr Schallegruber and Herr Rudin were approved by acclamation to serve on the Audit Committee for the coming year.

2.4 Election of the Accountants

The firm of Geißlmaier & Partner was also approved unanimously to serve as accountants for the WUSV.

2.5 Status of dues/deposits/initiation fees

President Henke reported an improvement in the dedication to payment by the individual WUSV member clubs. This was achieved largely by the withholding of judge's releases. In addition, the cost of hospitality for the WUSV General Assembly could be reduced.

He also referred to attempts by some clubs to avoid paying for judge's releases by requesting them through their Kennel Club. As a consequence, even the relevant Kennel Club did not receive judge's releases, since this is not the correct path to follow

The General Secretary clarified that the rating of "VA-Auslese" will only be recognized in Germany if a Protection test is passed, as in Germany. Each individual club, however, retains the right to award the rating "VA-Auslese". Such ratings will be recorded in the pedigree as "VA-Auslese (name of the country)"

3) New financial structure

a.) Increase in member dues by 50%

Change Section 10 in the WUSV Bylaws: Financing and dues payments

b.) Increase the fee for a "judge's release" by 50% from 100 Euro to 150 Euro

This agenda item was already covered under agenda item #2.a)

4) Information about Guest-, Junior-, and Full-membership

4.1. Acceptance as junior members

4.1.1. Kenya

The representatives from the East Africa German Shepherd Dog League were introduced by President Henke. This club has the possibility of acceptance as a Junior member of the WUSV.

If Junior member clubs need an SV-judge, they need to submit a judge's release request in a timely manner to the WUSV Board via the SV-Office. The club will then be assigned a suitable judge.

The WUSV Assembly voted unanimously to accept the club from Kenya as a Junior member.

4.1.2 Egypt

The WUSV Assembly voted unanimously to accept the club from Egypt as a Junior member.

4.1.3 Jersey

The WUSV Assembly voted unanimously to accept the club from Jersey as a Junior member.

5.) Introducing a WUSV-CACIB title; fee 0.40 Euro per dog exhibited (as of 2008)

This item will be postponed until next year's meeting.

6) Expulsion of the MNJK from the WUSV (from the 2006 meeting)

Since the situation is still awaiting a judge's decision, this item will be delayed until next year. Herr Szegvari, the President of the Hungarian Club, has promised to reimburse the WUSV for all legal costs that were associated with the previous legal actions.

7) Problem countries: Status

President Henke reported about several countries in which problems still need to be resolved. This is the case particularly for Ukraine, Turkey, and Brazil.

8) Decision regarding the Rescue Dog (Rettungshund) program

This item will be postponed until the next WUSV General Assembly because the delegates have not yet received the source material.

9) Information about the meeting of the scientific commission

On the occasion of the SV Show judges meeting in December, 2007 the SV-Board met with Prof. Distil who is a member of the Scientific Commission. A report will appear in the SV-magazine and the WUSV Aktuell.

The General Secretary, Herr Lux, reported on a study by a member of the Scientific Commission, Frau Dr. Dorit Feddersen-Petersen, which attempted to measure the intelligence of dogs.

In addition, President Henke reported on the project in which drops of blood may be taken when a dog is microchipped so that the identity of the dog may be determined at any time in the future.

11) Retrospective on the 19th WUSV-World Championship 2006 in Randers, Denmark

The SV-National Training Director, Herr Günther Diegel, presented a brief overview of the WUSV-World Championship 2006 in Randers. He reported on the enormous working ability demonstrated by the dogs in the event. The high rate of failure in Phase A resulted from the strong winds in Denmark during the event. On behalf of everyone, he thanked the organizers for their outstanding work, as well as the judges, for producing an outstanding event.

12) 20th WUSV-World Championship 2007 in Bratislava, Slovakia

Tracking coordinator: Jürgen Ritzi (BRD)
Judges: Tracking: Keijo Kodis (FIN)
Obedience: Günther Diegel (BRD)
Protection: Francis Reuther (F)

No one from the host club was present so Dr. Tauber reported to the assembly on the status of preparations.

13) Future WUSV-World Championships

2008	Oct. 10.-12.	USCA – USA (Cincinnati, Ohio)
	Tracking coordinator:	Jürgen Ritzi (BRD)
	Judges: Tracking:	Herr Sesto (Italy)
	Obedience:	Karl Krug (BRD)
	Protection:	Herr Vonarburg (Switzerland)
2009	reserved	Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde – Germany (110-year anniversary)
2010	reserved	Real Club Espanol del Perro de Pastor Aleman – Spain
2011	reserved	Züchterclub für Deutsche Schäferhunde der Ukraine – Ukraine
2012	reserved	SVÖ - Austria (100 year anniversary)
2013	reserved	GSDCA – USA (100 year anniversary)
2014	reserved	CACPOA - Argentina
2015	reserved	KKC - South Korea
2016	reserved	Club Canofilo Mexicano de Pastor Aleman - Mexico
2017	reserved	VDH - Holland

14) Determination of meeting dates

The WUSV meeting on Working Dog Character will begin at 9:00am on Oct.8.
The WUSV-Working Dog Seminar will be held on July 12 and 13, 2008.

15) Miscellaneous

The President of the German Shepherd Dog Club of Ireland reported on the problems in his country associated with protection activities. The WUSV Board offered its support. Mr. Buckley, from Ireland, explained how his club was able to work within the current laws.

There being no further requests for the floor, President Henke thanked the translators and closed the General Assembly meeting at 1pm. He concluded by wishing all those present a safe journey back home.