

## **From the JGHV in November/December 2022**

### Rules of Procedure submitted by the LV-NA

At its last meeting, the Executive Board discussed the Rules of Procedure submitted by the LV-NA and approved them. In the discussion it was already made clear that the areas of responsibility of NA-LV are different from the ones in Germany. Nevertheless, the Executive Board would like to know what the political perception of the JGHV or its LV is in the USA. Are there problems with the hunting laws and the implementation and execution of our tests? The JGHV and its respective LV are working to maintain the status quo for our tests at the very least.

### Test Management Program

Basic information on the new JGHV testing program: It is intended to make the work easier for the *Stammbuchamt* in the future, because the test data will not have to be entered by the *Stammbuchamt* (Peggy Dornig) again. Therefore, this program will be web-based. It will be free of charge for the clubs. An English version would make sense.

The program should cover everything from preparation and execution of the tests to the evaluation of the dogs and is thus similar to the programs that are already available. These can, of course, still be used.

If there are any further questions, LV-NA should contact Jan Schafberg.

### Expiration of Apprenticeships

The apprenticeships of Apprentices registered on 06/19/2019 (for example) expire on 06/18/2023 – after 48 months according to regulations on Judge Apprentices – Note that the club can apply for an extension.

After 48 months they are deleted. Before that Jan Schafberg will contact and inform the host club's Director of Judge Development.

### From the CE Seminar with Karl Walch

Regarding the discussion about the testing of gun stability at the HZP, KW confirmed that multiple commands and stone throws are permitted, as the subject is meant to test gun sensitivity in the water, for which the dog must enter the water. After further consultation with Josef Westermann and the *Stammbuchkommission*, Karl Walch stated that firing a shot into the water before the dog is sent to retrieve the duck is permissible. If the dog enters the water and swims toward the duck, another shot must be fired next to the duck when the dog is about halfway to the duck.

### Meeting of JGHV and LV-NA with representatives of member clubs in Fulda before the AGM on Sunday

Reviving and reconstituting the annual meeting with representatives of JGHV member clubs in North America and the JGHV (Jan Schafberg, Peggy Dornig, and member(s) of

the Executive Board. Suggested date and time: Friday before the JGHV Annual Meeting at 8 p.m. in a location yet to be determined.

Purpose: Opportunity for an open exchange about JGHV testing in the U.S.A., including application of the test regulations to the legal and diverse conditions throughout North America. This would include review and revision of the Matrix that governs exceptions and modifications in test organization and conduct.

The training and ongoing education of JGHV Judges and Apprentices in North America could also be discussed.

#### Seminars by the JGHV Landesverband - North America with member clubs

In mid-November the LV-NA and its member clubs were asked to suggest seminars that combine both theoretical and practical components on a topic associated with JGHV testing. The seminar might focus on a specific test like the VGP or on targeted aspect of our testing like blood tracking, water work, game drags with retrieve, etc., whatever topic might benefit our handlers and judges and therefore generate interest and a willingness to travel to a one day regional "seminar".

The deadline to receive these proposals in Jan Schafberg's office was December 10<sup>th</sup> in an effort to meet the editor's deadline for publication in the January issue of *Der Jagdgebrauchshund*. Two proposals were submitted that meet the JGHV's requirements for these practically oriented seminars:

- **Seminar no. 1:**  
**Topic:** Seminar/Workshop on blood tracking  
**Date:** May 6-7, 2023  
**Location:** Hot Springs area, South Dakota  
**Time:** 9:30 a.m.  
**Speakers:** Vanita Skinner, Dusty Galer, Kortney Hall  
**Registration** with Kortney Hall by April 29, 2023 (kortnapier@gmail.com, phone: 864-378-5494).  
**Description:** This is a hands-on seminar focusing on training and building a reliable team in blood tracking work. A short time will be devoted to theoretical basics in the seminar room.
- **Seminar no. 2:**  
**Topic:** "VGP - Unpacking the master examination".  
**Date:** June 16-17, 2023  
**Location:** Jackson, Alabama  
**Time:** 9:00 a.m.  
**Speakers:** Martin Coffman, Jeff May, Jason Anderson, Gene Yopp  
**Registration** with Jeff May by June 04, 2023 (coastalplaindd@gmail.com, Tel: 251-680-8546).  
**Description:** This two-day seminar will provide instruction on all VGP topics in the four categories of field, water, woods, and obedience, as well as hands-on work and practice with your own dog in the field.