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Minutes of the International Dobermann Club (IDC) Congress held on Friday, 14th September, 2012 in Lago di Tesero, Italy.

1.1. Welcoming by the President – Mr. Hans Wiblishauser

Mr. Wiblishauser officially opened the Congress at 10h10 and welcomed all countries represented. In thanking the Dobermann Club of Italy (AIAD) and in particular their President, Dr. Pierluigi Pezzano, Mr. Wiblishauser expressed his appreciation for all the hard and excellent work achieved over 35 years and the high esteem in which the Italian Dobermann breeding is held. Mr. Wiblishauser, furthermore, recorded his personal respect for Dr. Pezzano's efforts and his contribution in shaping the future of the Dobermann and in conclusion he thanked the entire Team of the AIAD for the organisation of the IDC Congress and the Show 2012.

1.2. IDC Office Bearers

President	-	Mr. H. Wiblishauser (Germany)
Vice President	-	Dr. P. Pezzano (Italy)
Secretary	-	Mr. H. Redtenbacher (South Africa)
Treasurer	-	Mr. R. Beunekens (Belgium)
IDC Breed Warden	-	Mr. N. Daube (Germany)
IDC Working Trials Warden	-	Mr. R. Friedrich (Germany) (<i>not present</i>)

2.0. Countries represented and eligible to vote

The following countries were represented:

- Austria - Inge Eberstaller
- Belgium - Roland Beunekens
- Brazil - Moacyr de Oliveira
- Croatia - Miroslav Bedekovic
- Czech Rep I (MDSK) - Jan Ruzicka
- Denmark - Allan Berling-Christensen
- Estonia - Kaidi Juurik & Mare Meldre
- Finland - Kristiina Aaltonen
- France - Serge Debski & Jean-Paul Godart
- Germany - Hans Wiblishauser
- Greece - Vassilis Kounelas & Georgia Alachouzou
- Holland - Nadja Timmermans-Kadenko
- Hungary - Tamas Dohoczki & Erika Szokol
- Indonesia - William Soedharman
- Italy - Pierluigi Pezzano & Barbara Brici
- Latvia - Andrejs Petrovskis
- Lithuania - Andrius Cecys
- Macedonia - Jordan Hristovski
- Montenegro - Miodrag Bubanja & Milan Vukotic
- Portugal - Carlos Ribeiro Rocha
- Romania - Csaba Majoros
- Russia - Alexander Gorbachov
- Serbia - Jovica Golubovic
- Slovakia - Wolfgang Freyer
- Slovenia - Igor Tomašič & Ester Gjorek
- South Africa - Helmut Redtenbacher
- Spain - Josep M^a Bulo & Juan Carlos Menéndez García
- Sweden - Camilla Rönnqvist & Elaine Holappa

3.0. Apologies

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Apologies were received from the following:

- Mr. Rainer Friedrich – IDC Working Trials Warden
- Cyprus - Mario Antoniou
- Mexico I – Jerry Diaz
- UK II – David Anderson
- USA I – Doug Matson

4.0. Minutes from the 2011 Congress held in Fehérvárcsurgó Károlyi Castle, Hungary

The minutes from the previous IDC Congress held on 26th August, 2011 in Hungary were made available to all member countries before the Congress and were unanimously adopted.

5.0. Secretarial Office

- 5.1. **Email Addresses:** The Secretary re-iterated his previous appeals for informing the Secretarial Office about changes to the email addresses, particularly of persons representing their country in the IDC and especially in view of the above point 4.
- 5.2. **Distribution of Minutes:** The minutes were distributed to all Member Countries for which correct email addresses were on record.
- 5.3. **Membership Forms:** The appeal for the submission of the annual membership forms by the attending Delegates and countries not represented at the Congress, in many instances falls on deaf ears. The following countries have to date not submitted completed membership renewal forms for 2012/2013 and are requested to do so at their earliest convenience: **Brazil, Cyprus, Czech II (DKSR), Hungary, Iceland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Macedonia, Mexico II (DCM), Norway, Poland, Russia, Spain, USA II (ADA).**

6.0. Finance

The IDC Treasurer, Mr. Roland Beunekens, presented his report as follows:

- 6.1. As at 31st August, 2012, the total of all IDC funds was € 43 652.40.
- 6.2. According to information received from the Treasurer, as at 31st March, 2013, the following 4 countries had not yet paid their membership contributions for 2012 – **Israel, Mexico I, Mexico II and Cyprus.** All delegates present were reminded that the annual membership fees are due at the latest on the day of the Congress. Membership submissions must include all bank charges and Member Clubs must pay for a minimum of 50 club members in addition to the basic membership fee of €150.-.
- 6.2. In closing, Mr. Beunekens stated that the financial records were available for inspection after the Congress.

7.0. IDC Membership

7.1. APPLICATIONS

No new applications were tabled at the 2012 Congress.

7.2. CONVERSION OF “PROVISIONAL” TO “FULL” MEMBERSHIP STATUS

7.2.1. **Montenegro** (Application made at 2010 Congress, prov. accepted for 2 years) – after discussion with the delegate representing Montenegro, Mr. Bubanja, it was decided to defer the conversion of “provisional” to “full” membership for 1 more year.

7.2.2. **Lithuania** (Application made at 2010 Congress, prov. accepted for 2 years) – after discussion with the delegate representing Lithuania, Mr. Cecys, it was decided to defer the conversion of “provisional” to “full” membership for 1 more year.

7.3. RE-INSTATED MEMBERSHIPS

There were no re-instated memberships.

7.4. TERMINATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP

There were no terminations of membership.

7.5. RESIGNATIONS

There were no resignations received.



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8.0. Annual Report by the IDC President – Mr. Hans Wiblishauser

In his annual report, Mr. Wiblishauser expressed his concern about the fact that many countries do not exercise any Breed Control and that in some countries Breeders even microchip their own puppies and subsequently affix the chip numbers to the pedigrees. This procedure is totally unacceptable. Many Breeders use the Dobermann Breed for personal financial gain and in many instances we have no guarantee that the papers of many of these dogs are genuine and applicable. In this context, Mr. Wiblishauser also informed the Congress that the co-called “Commercial” microchip numbers (starting with ‘9’) will no longer be accepted (*this regulation, however, poses problems for some countries, as proper “country-coded” chips are not available in all countries – Secretarial Office*). Mr. Wiblishauser furthermore informed that the Starter-ZTP, after a running period of 10 years, is coming to an end as virtually every dog has an HD-Assessment today.

In conclusion Mr. Wiblishauser requested all IDC Member Countries to commit themselves to the breeding of healthy dogs and to distance themselves from unethical and rogue Breeders.

9.0. Annual Report by the IDC Breed Warden – Mr. Norbert Daube

The following Breed information constitutes the main points of Mr. Daube’s annual report:

At first I would like to commend the President of the Hungarian Dobermann Club, Mr. Tamas Doh, and his team for the well organised IDC Congress and World Sieger Show held from 26-28 August, 2011. At the same time I thank the 6 officiating judges from 4 different countries who skilfully judged some 660 entered Dobermanns in front of a very large public gallery. The “Sieger Dogs” have been widely published.

In the year under review, 31 foreign sires were used in Germany, resulting in 50 litters with 312 puppies. This corresponds to an average litter size of 6 puppies.

HD Assessments:

502 HD Assessments by Prof. Brass and Dr. Tellhelm (this includes German as well as foreign Dobermann) produced the following results: HD-1 (A) = 423; HD-2 (B) = 63; HD-3 (C) = 12; HD-4 (D) = 3; HD-5 (E) = 1. Gratifying also the many foreign dogs which are assessed by the German Institute. According to Prof. Brass, we remain right at the top of the statistics with our HD-free dogs.

Due to the passing of Prof. Brass in October, 2011, we were required to find a new recognised HD-Assessor for the Dobermann Verein e.V. Since Dr. B. Tellhelm was already acting as Senior ??, he gladly accepted the position of Assessor. Dr. Meyer-Lindenberg from Munich has been appointed as Appeals Scrutineer.

Since 1997, an eye examination for dogs entered in the Körung, has been compulsory. Only vets which have been qualified by or belong to the DOK-circle may carry out this examination. In 2010 none of the submitted dogs had any eye diseases.

ZTP Assessments: 31 ZTP Assessments were carried out in Germany and in foreign countries. Total submitted dogs = 274, thereof 38 with Starter ZTP, with the following results:

Conformation Gradings	-	134 Excellent / 116 Very Good / 2 Good
Temperament Gradings	-	168 1A / 84 1B
Deferred	-	17
Unfit for breeding	-	5
Successful	-	252

Regarding the modified ZTP regulations, Mr. Daube drew attention to the addendum applicable to ZTP tests in foreign countries and reiterated particularly the necessary time frame for the application for a ZTP Licence: *“the ZTP licence must be granted at least 3 months before the event and a judge’s acceptance of the appointment does not replace the licence.”*

All Dobermanns from foreign countries have to be assessed as to whether they qualify for a Starter ZTP or a full ZTP. The introduction of the Starter ZTP has also established itself very well as an assessment modus for foreign dogs. I hope that I presented you herewith with the relevant Breed information and test results.

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In conclusion Mr. Daube once again confirmed those countries for which HD and ED assessments are recognised: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Holland, Italy (for ENCI pedigreed dogs only), Norway, South Africa, Sweden, and Switzerland; and thanked all present for their attention and for placing their trust in him.

10.0. Annual Report by the IDC Working Trials Warden – Mr. Rainer Friedrich

In the absence of the IDC Working Trials Warden, Mr. Friedrich, Mr. Daube presented this annual report on Mr. Friedrich's behalf:

With regard to our sporting activities, the IDC WM, as every year, was once again the highlight of the year. For the first time the event was hosted by Hungary and the Hungarian President, Mr. Tamas Dohoczki, and his numerous helpers provided excellent facilities – many thanks.

The high entry is proof of the positive acceptance of this event by our member countries. A total of 48 participants took part which in comparison with last year meant an increase back to our usual entry numbers. The participants came from 16 countries which means that more than half of all IDC member countries were represented.

The high summer temperatures demanded not only an appropriate level of training but also a high degree of physical fitness in order to meet the requirements of the WM. For the first time judging was in accordance with the new IPO Judging Regulations. As we could see, some of the handlers were not entirely familiar and lost points unnecessarily. For sure this will change at the next WM. The officiating judges performed well and with consistency, something that also applied to the assailants. Convincing performances by judges and helpers is especially important at such big events.

As in the past, so also this year, it was discipline A which presented many participants with an unmanageable task. The tracking grounds for all participants consisted of two equal fields. Unfortunately every year we do have this tracking problem irrespective of the tracking field conditions and I am aware that in some member countries it is difficult to find suitable grounds for practice. Nevertheless, the many high scores indicated that with proper training the tracking can be mastered.

In an exciting contest, the dog Ottomac, handled by Guisepppe Soprani, could again prevail and with 287 points, graded 'V', he again won the title for Italy. Ottomac has convinced us for years now with his even performance in all disciplines. In the Team event, 7 Nations were represented this year and here also the title went to Italy followed by Germany and Sweden who arrived with a complete team inspite of the great distance travelled.

Last year I was confronted by various countries with a request for the possibility of an IDC WM only for tracking with a reference to similar events by other working breed organisations. In principle I am interested in all dog sport activities and am willing to make myself available. But for this project I need you to consider the difficulty in obtaining a suitable date in our overfull calendar of activities. The same holds true for the organisers and we would have to find an acceptable number of member countries which would commit themselves to such an event. My advice – a proposal from interested countries at next year's Congress with corresponding proposals offering solutions to my concerns.

Gladly will I also report via our IDC-forum more about the working activities in the various countries but this can only succeed if I receive a corresponding cooperation from your side. I am thinking here of reports about national Championships, competitions and international training events and simply current and relevant information about our sport with the Dobermann.

11.0. Proposals & Topics

11.1. AUSTRIA:

i) ZTP – In response to the additional costs for the procurement of DNA samples, the Congress is informed that the cost for required DNA analysis is € 55.-

ii) Dobermann's Genetic Management (revised) by Dr. Pezzano – translation into German – no response.

iii) Breed Standard modification: In response, Mr. Wiblishauser informed the Congress that no decision has been made, but in the meantime evermore European countries prohibit the cropping and docking and the exhibition of such dogs. This circumstance will of necessity require a modification in the



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foreseeable future. This will concern not only show activities but also events in the working fields. Mr. Wiblishauser has referred to this matter on a number of occasions in the past.

- 11.2. BELGIUM:** **i) & ii)** Belgium's request for an earlier issue of the Agenda for the annual Congress and also the availability of the Minutes before the corresponding year-end was replied to by the Secretary as follows: *The issue of the Agenda is no problem whatsoever and can be done at any time. Up till now the secretarial office held back the Agenda as long as possible in order to allow for the inclusion of late "proposals" and membership applications. With regard to the issue of the Minutes, however, the secretary regrets having to inform that for him it is not possible to accede the request for a commitment by the year-end. Nevertheless, the Secretary will endeavour to speed up the preparation of the minutes in order to make them available at an earlier date.*
- 11.3. HUNGARY:** Mr. Dohoczki recorded Hungary's appreciation to the IDC Leadership to be given the opportunity to organise, more than once, the IDC World Sieger Events. He hopes that Hungary proved itself worthy and the Hungarian Dobermann Club is ready to organise a new event in Hungary at any time.
- 11.4. ITALY:** **Dobermann's Genetic Management -**
The scientific commission for the genetically sound Dobermann, as instituted and directed by the IDC President, Mr. Wiblishauser, has achieved remarkable progress and all further activities are carried out at the highest scientific level. The IDC Vice President and leader of the project, Dr. Pezzano, informed the Congress about the acceptance of this project by the Veterinary Institute of Novara. This scientific research aims to identify specific problems of the Dobermann (in particular Cardio Myopathy). For this we require all pedigree-data of the last 10 years, because only one gene, one chromosome affects the Cardio, but we don't know where it is coming from. The results and evaluations will be forwarded to the EU with a request for financial support because the project costs €30 000.-. Future breeders will then be able to develop new breeding programmes for their goals. This project is very ambitious and as far as is known, unique in cynological history and so far it has not been attempted for or by any other Breed. Subsequently, Dr. Eric Zini, Dr. Oriol Domenech and Dr. Giordana Canna presented information which explained and analysed this disease in detail, because in "Breed Standard" orientated breeding we should not neglect the genetic aspect.

12.0. Venues for future IDC Events

The following venues have been approved by the Congress and where indicated dates are also confirmed:

- IDC World Championships 2013 – Dobermann Club of Italy (AIAD) – **25-26 May, 2013**
- IDC Congress & Show 2013 – Dobermann Club of Romania – **6-8 September, 2013**
- IDC World Championships 2014 – Dobermann Club of Slovakia (SDK)
- IDC Congress & Show 2014 – Dobermann Club of Slovakia (SDK)
- IDC World Championships 2015 – Dobermann Club of Sweden
- IDC Congress & Show 2015 – Dobermann Club of Finland
- IDC World Championships 2016 – Dobermann Club of Hungary (HDK)
- IDC Congress & Show 2016 – Dobermann Club of Slovenia

13.0. General

Nothing discussed under this topic.



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14.0. Closing address by The President

In his closing address, Mr. Wiblishauser once again thanked all delegates for their constructive co-operation and participation in the discussions and wished everybody two pleasant days at the Show and lots of fun in the mountains of Italy.

After a half hour Lunch-break, the meeting closed at 13h45.

Minutes prepared by
IDC Secretary
H. Redtenbacher

1st President of the IDC
H. Wiblishauser

2012 IDC SIEGER DOGS:

- Black Sieger – *Quickstep King of Darkness*
- Black Siegerin – *Eureka del Nasi*
- Brown Sieger – *Pride of Russia Kaspj*
- Brown Siegerin – *Paradise King of Darkness*
- Black Junior Sieger – *Gandor vom Residenzschloss*
- Black Junior Siegerin – *Olga di Casa Giardino*
- Brown Junior Sieger – *Oz di Casa Giardino*
- Brown Junior Siegerin – *Mocca von Bavaria*



Quickstep King of Darkness



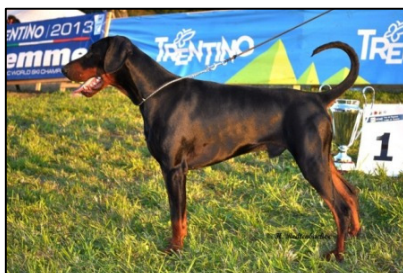
Eureka del Nasi



Pride of Russia Kaspj



Paradise King of Darkness



Gandor vom Residenzschloss



Olga di Casa Giardino



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