



MEDITERRANEAN NEWS

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Dear friends of the Mediterranean Sighthounds!

Welcome to the first edition of the Mediterranean News, the source for information about the prick ears sighthounds.

New member of the breeding commission of the German Sighthound Kennel Club (DWZRV)!

In the past 2.5 years, the position of member of the breeding commission for the Mediterranean breeds was vacant and was provisionally cared for by the breeding management. During this time there were also multiple changes in board members in the DWZRV (especially in positions related to breeding). As a result, many tasks have been left to be worked through. Some are smaller tasks, others are very extensive - for example the development of breeding strategies or the acceptance of our 7 breeds.

For this reason, I decided to run as a member of the breeding commission for the Mediterranean breeds at the DWZRV Annual general meeting 2023. I was unanimously elected there. I gladly accepted the challenge for all 7 breeds.



ANNUAL WINNER SHOW 2023 – Mediterranean Breeds

Many of you have noticed that no annual winner show for group 5 sighthounds was planned for this year. Therefore, in the run-up to the Annual general meeting 2023, I had a few discussions to explore the possibilities of an annual winner show. On the evening after the election, I was able to talk to the responsible person.

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In the meantime, the date has been confirmed and so a Mediterranean annual winner show can take place this year. I was able to gain the Staufeu e.V. sighthound racing club as the host. At this point many thanks to Mrs. Minas (special manager) for her work.

The annual winner show will take place on September 9th in Lorch (Baden-Württemberg) with the judge Judit Szanka (Hungary). The entries can be made via: <https://www.windhundclub.de/cac-online.php>

Planned: For the opening ceremony, all Mediterranean dogs will enter the show ground with their owners in traditional costumes (if desired). If you have any other ideas or requests, please let me know. I'll see what can be done.

Further goals

An important concern for me is the improvement of communication between the active members of the DWZRV / the sports clubs and the Mediterranean sighthound owners. It is hoped that this will increase acceptance of these breeds within the DWZRV. This will only succeed if both sides approach each other - let's take the first step.

Other points are a creative exchange on all topics that are important to you, up-to-date breed standards and the diverse and "creative" way of writing our breed names in the various publications. Regarding the last point, I have already agreed with Mrs. Heydrich that I will proofread relevant pages in the association's magazine.

Writing posts for „Unsere Windhunde“ (Sighthound Magazine)

The sighthound magazine "Unsere Windhunde" is always looking for informative articles. In recent years, articles about our prick-eared breeds have been very rare. Here I see us - the owners of the Mediterranean dogs - as an obligation. How do our dogs work/hunt, what are their peculiarities, historical development, visiting a special dog show or event abroad and other interesting topics are waiting to be told.

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Introduce your breeds to the DWZRV audience, this is one building block to improve the recognition of the Mediterranean breeds.

You can send your articles and photos directly to Angelika Heydrich (Mail: uw@dwzrv.com). If you have any questions about the layout, Angelika Heydrich will be happy to help and will send you a proof before publication.

SIGHTHOUND FESTIVAL DONAUESCHINGEN 2024 & FCI EURO SIGHTHOUND 2024

Next year, after a 4-year break, **the Sighthound Festival will return to Donaueschingen!** This festival, at which more than 800 sighthounds were entered per day last time, will be the highlight of next year's dog show season. For breeders and exhibitors from all over Europe it is the opportunity to meet friends live and to make new contacts. An event with international judges, a varied supporting program and many sales stands that nobody should miss!

In addition, the **FCI EURO SIGHTHOUND 2024** will take place in Donaueschingen on Sunday. So you can enjoy both events in one weekend.



Saturday, 10th August 2024
Sighthound Festival Donaueschingen 2024

Sunday, 11th August 2024
FCI EURO Sighthound 2024

EUROPEAN DOG SHOW 2023 #1

The European Dog Show will take place in Herning (Denmark) this year. The Mediterranean breeds are represented with 75 entries and will be judged by judges Annette Bystrup (Denmark) and Markku Mahönen (Finland) on Saturday (05/20/2023). I wish all participants success in Herning.

Official Website <https://www.eds2023.dk>
Statistics (entries) https://www.eds2023.dk/uploads/images/EDS_Agria_DKKcupStatistics.pdf

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WORLD DOG SHOW 2023 #1

Geneva (Switzerland) is the host of this year's World Dog Show. For the Mediterranean breeds, the show will take place on Sunday, August 27th, 2023. The entry will be open until July 23rd, 2023. The judges are Jorgen Hindse (Denmark), Fabrizio La Rocca (Italy) and Heidi Kirschbichler (Austria).

Official Website <https://worlddogshow.ch>

#1 Changes to the registration deadline and/or the judges are at the discretion of the organizer. No guarantee is given for this.

Newsletter "MEDITERRANEAN NEWS"

The Mediterranean News will appear at irregular intervals - whenever there is interesting news. I am currently working on making it possible for interested parties to subscribe and unsubscribe to this newsletter themselves, so that you do not miss any newsletters. There is still some work to be done (data protection, etc.). As soon as registration is possible, I will inform you. Until then, the Mediterranean News is only available as a download from the DWZRV website (look at the respective breed).

Since not all 7 breeds can be properly represented in the title banner, I decided to create a title banner for each breed. This will then change from issue to issue so that everyone has a turn.

Best regards

Martin von Falkenhayn

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