

Dear Members and Friends of SV,

In an ever-changing world, our young people face challenges and opportunities that previous generations did not. Being young today means living in a digital age where information is available in seconds and social media plays a central role in everyday life.

But what does this mean for our youth, and especially for the young people who are passionate about our club and the unique German Shepherd breed?

The bond between people and dogs is timeless and remains of great importance in today's fast-paced world. Our young members bring a breath of fresh air to the club and show us the importance of preserving traditions while being open to new ideas. They are the ones who bring their enthusiasm and ideas to the table, be it in training,

sport, breeding or the many other areas of our association.

But the challenges should not be underestimated. Today's young people often face pressure, stress and high expectations. In the midst of these challenges, a relationship with a dog can be a constant source of joy and comfort. Dogs teach us responsibility, empathy and patience: values that are often neglected in our fast-paced world.

As a club we have a responsibility to support our young members and give them the opportunity to get involved. Whether it's through seminars, training or social events, we want to create a space where they can live out their passion for the breed and for working with dogs. Let's work together to create a community that brings together both the older and younger generations.

With this in mind, I invite all members to take an active part in organising the life of our club. Let's use young people's enthusiasm and energy to develop our association and preserve the love of German Shepherds for future generations.

Sincerely,

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