



Dear Readers,

Last month was eagerly awaited by many. At the SV National Assembly, in addition to passing proposals, the new SV Board and the department heads were elected by the delegates present. First, I would like to thank the electoral committee for its professional work. I would also like to thank everyone present for treating one another in a fair, appreciative and objective way. And we cannot forget to thank outgoing Board members Nikolaus Waltrich (SV Vice President) and Lothar Quoll (SV Association Head of Breeding) for their work over the past four years. Both have done a great deal for Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde (SV) e.V. These two former Board members deserved the huge ovation they received at the National Assembly for their services.

I wish the new Board, which I once again have the honour of presiding over, trust and constructive cooperation. I would like to congratulate each one of you on your successful election or re-election to office, and I would like to take this opportunity once again to thank all the delegates who have voiced their confidence in me as President of SV. My goal, together with my colleagues on the Board, is to continue what has been started in the past years and to put into practice the concepts developed around the German Shepherd breed and Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde (SV) e.V. In recent years, an inventory has been made and important analysis work done. Now it is time to tackle challenges. No question about it!

An overview of the Board members as well as a detailed report on the National Assembly of by SV Press Officer Roswitha Dannenberg, who was also re-elected, can be read in this issue from page 10 onwards. An overview of all decisions taken by the National Assembly will be published in the SV Magazine in July, so that you can read up on all of these new developments.

Speaking of innovations, from now on, the editorial in the SV Magazine will be written alternately by every member of the SV National Board. Personally, I think the opportunity to share views and comments on current association events is something all officials on the Board are entitled too, and this is a useful measure that will make the SV Magazine even more exciting and even more varied in the future.

Yours truly,
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President of SV and WUSV