

WUSV-Universal Championship 2019 Nantwich, Great Britain – Truly felt and warm hospitality on the Green Island

Under the leadership of Shirley Hutchinson and with the priceless help of numerous volunteers the GSD League of Great Britain guaranteed a smooth operation of this year's WUSV Universal Championship.

It was a truly great event not only because of the very good organization but also because of the warm hospitality that could be truly felt. We were all cordially received and we were the guests of friends.

43 teams from 11 nations competed in the field of IGP 3 and breed show.

Judge Wolfgang Rook from Germany was responsible for tracking work and he was supported by the tracking commissioner Ernst Riegel from Austria. The section of obedience was judged by Peter Mayerl, also from Austria, and he was supported by co-judge Manfred Drescher from Germany and Fintan Lalor from Ireland who served as down position judge. The discipline of defence work was judged by Marinus Bastiaansen from Belgium. Head judge was Egon Gutknecht from Germany.

For the most part dogs of very good performance were shown and the harmonious interaction between dogs and handlers could be clearly seen. The evaluations as granted by the judges were consistent and transparent as well for both handlers and spectators.

Imran Husain from Pakistan served as show judge. Every evaluation and position granted was reviewed and explained in detail.

Later, on Sunday afternoon a festive awarding ceremony was held which was clearly the climax of a very successful event that was coined by comradeship and joyful togetherness.

Team winner was Germany, followed by Belgium on place 2 and the Austrian team on place 3.





Individual Winners Females were:

1. Jayne Wood with Helaka Asia, GBR
2. Inna Nikolajeva with Astrida Letton, LAT
3. Andrea Wüstner with Bonnie von der Villa Riva, GER

Individual Winners Males were:

1. Ronny van den Berghe with Korky vom Barbatius (Defending Champion), BEL
2. Horst Moosmann with Payne vom Sattelberg, AUT
3. Tim Eggert with Gringo vom alten Lindenstumpf, GER



Winner of the breed show program became the male Perro von der schwarzen Natter (GER) and the female Astrida Letton (LAT)



In summary, it remains to be said that the WUSV Universal Championship 2019 was once again a successful event which – apart from fair competition and sportsmanship – gave lots of space and room for transnational and personal exchange among guests and competitors. And all this made the event so very special.

Now I am already looking forward to the WUSV Universal Championship in 2020 which will be held in Strasbourg, France. Host will be the CCBA – the Club du Chien Berger Allemand.

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