

# ANNUAL MEETING & OUR 2011 YOUNG BIRD SHOW

## in Wiesenburg, Saxony

Photos & report by Andreas Reuter

Klaus Burkhardt, our president of the club welcomed a high number of members to the annual meeting in Wiesenburg, Saxony. We were so pleased, that so many breeders were able to attend the meeting. Each year this gathering, offers those of us in attendance a wonderful opportunity to exchange friendship, conversation, experiences and receive some great advice for preparing our birds for the show season. We were honored to be schooled by our special judges that offered their observations of our young birds. They explained what features that offered high praise, pointed out faults and discussed their wishes for the birds that they saw in the cages.



From left Mario Doehler (treasurer), Werner Gessner (secretary), Klaus Burkhardt (president), Werner Zahn (master judge) & Axel Nestler (vice president)

One of the first points in the agenda were that Klaus Dieter Müller, Christian Königsberg, Bernd Erler and Hans Gorges have received awards in silver from the German Pigeon Association for their long and successful breeding of our pigeons and also their showroom achievements. Congratulations to each of your gentlemen and we wish good luck with the breeding of your pigeons and a successful show season.



From left Klaus Dieter Müller, Christian Königsberg, Bernd Erler, Hans Gorges and our president Klaus Burkhardt

Our president Klaus Burkhardt reported on the success story of the last year as a highlight. Master judge Werner Zahn gave an overview of the special shows this year. We're being given the opportunity to present our birds in aviaries to the VDT show in December in Leipzig. This is a great chance to show our beautiful pigeons a high number of breeders and friends.

In addition to the German Masters, we have special show in Drebach, the Erz Mountains show in Großolbersdorf, the German Color Pigeon and Trumpeter show in Ostritz, Dortmund and finish out the show season with our own prestigious special show in Zwönitz.

Herbert Wohlfeil reported on the activities in the group North-West and has made a donation from the head of the group Friedrich Schröder.

This is a very nice painting that will be presented at the winner for the best collection of the swallows. Then Reiner Wolf reported on the European meeting of judges and explained the regulations for the German Masters VDT show in Leipzig this year.

Our president Klaus Burkhardt will donate one pair of his successful breed in Saxon Fairy Swallows in order to benefit our found raiser for the German Children Cancer Trust. Thank you so much Klaus for your heart felt donation to create an easier life for the handicapped children in Germany.



Special thank you to Günter Kühnert for his donation at the meeting. Günter has given the flag to the last Europe Show for the archive of our club.



Klaus Burkhardt, Günter Kühnert and Gotthard Einhorn at the handover from the European Show flag

Our American friends have this year a highlight at the 100 year anniversary in Riverside, California USA – near Los Angeles Pigeon Club. For that reason our club, Günter Kühnert and Andreas Reuter have each donated a banner for the best collection of Saxon Color Pigeons. We hope to see the winners from each category like Saxon Fullheads, Saxon Swallows and Saxon Shields.



In Germany we have a phrase that in the end of the meeting will come always the best. Our special judges offered their expertise as they evaluated the birds in the cages. Explaining in detail the advantages and faults from the birds being exhibited here. The breeders and members of the club were very grateful for this valuable information and helpful tips. This will be beneficial as we prepare for the upcoming shows and for the next breeding season. From the pictures you will get some impressions from the young bird show and their explanations.



This non-crested Saxon Shield in excellent color and nice long and clean bars we will see sure at the upcoming special shows.



Reiner Wolf has judged all the Saxon Shields and has given helpful tips for the breed. We could admire a high number of Shields this year.



The muffs have to be rounded and overbuilt.



Two birds of double crested Saxon Shields with excellent spangles. The biggest challenge in breeding pigeon is an equally spangle on the shield from the birds.

Our special judges have given tips about desires and fineness to the interested breeders.



We are looking forward to seeing and visiting with each of you at the shows we have listed. We also wish you good luck as you present your fine quality birds at these shows.