

## Work assignment as helper in defence work



I started to do the work as a helper when I was 16 years old. When I was 17 years, I acquired the "Helfersportpass".

On my first time on a competition, I was used together with another helper. Here 20 dog participated, whole 9 could existed in C.



By the training with my dogs I became acquainted with Edgar Scherkl, and strengthened by those won new realizations I developed to a good helper, and I became an in demand helper for "cases of problem", particularly with older dogs. It followed the employment for government-, state- and federation championships, where the handlers took back their dogs, when they heard that I was the helper. Fact however was that dogs interspersed themselves with me, with all other helpers had no problems and showed good work. Then I was asked if I am fancy to do the defence work on the DMC-Championat. Of course I had. This dog race, which was to be seen more and more in the last years always, I wanted to feel on the tooth. Heiner Bruns , the breeder of the kennel "... von der Wautz" possessed 1985 or ' 86 first of these dogs in our area. 1989 I met Volker Riedel and his "Kolos des Deux Pottois" at the dHV Championships. Later they emerged by Edgar in Repelen and then everywhere. At first they were still hated as "mode feature", "straw fires", etc., then as "mark foxes", "yellow potatoe stable", etc. Honestly I don't liked them too. They couldn't afford much sympathy from me. But with the DMC-Championat 1994 I got a completely new aspect over this dog race. It surprised me, how well the dogs exerted themselves, not only in the defence work. Two dogs could not exist in C, which was to due however to incorrect state of training and less to the quality of the dogs. Low scores or "unusual" work of the helpers led at that time to no displeasure expressions. These results were stop also under adverse circumstances hard and honestly fought for, and one was certain itself that one could also reach these points with other competitions.



In next time I couldn't do any helper-work on higher competitions, because I started there myself with "Clip", but on different ZTP's and Körungen of the DMC I was allowed to do the work with the judges.



In the year 2000 I was invited by the Netherlands federation to do the helper at the Dutch championship of the Belgian shepherd dogs (NVBH NK IPO). One of the participating dogs was also a Groendael



"Dewi van Fort Oranje", an impressive, crude dog with much force.



In the years 2001 and 2003 I was allowed to do the helper work also again the DMC-Championats.



A regular participant from Denmark: "Daneskjold Nero" with his handler Torben Christensen.



I was very pleased over nominating as helper for the VDH DM 2003, which was aligned by the DMC. At tropical temperatures (39°C), by dogs and helpers everything was demanded.



This competition is for me the only German championship, which has this term earned and thus the highest value. Here the elite of the



individual working-dogs meets would connect, in order to determine the crew for the FCI WC. Only the direct comparison of all races together can put the best working-dog out.



At the beginning of 2005 I received the invitation from the Danish federation for Belgian shepherd dogs to do the helper at the Danish championship on 02.+03 April. With the plane it goes to Copenhagen and I could look at myself on Saturday



the tracking of the dogs. Although the reached scores did not fail so highly, I was pleasantly surprised by the friendly atmosphere. This meeting was at the same time a qualification to the FMBB - WC 2005, which took place of 26. - 29.05.2005 in Aue (D).



Also here the DMC brought the confidence to me to be active as a helper on the most important competition for Belgian shepherd dogs



Here in the concrete boiler of the Erzgebirgsstadion Aue the "heat battle" of the VDH DM last year was almost excelled.



Even today I'm working ...

... as helper on Körungen of the DMC

