



German Shuffleboard Association e.V.

Annual Report 2018

The German Shuffleboard Association (GSA) currently has more than 150 members. The highlight since our last report was our participation in the 1st international tournament organized by the Shuffleboard Austria team in Vienna, the venue of the World Championship 2019.

Nearly 50 players from Canada, USA, Austria and Germany gathered together to compete for the title of “Vienna Open” Champion. Beside the competition on the courts, existing friendships were nurtured and many new ones were made. The President of Shuffleboard Austria, Peter Krappel, together with his team proved to be ready to host the 38th ISA World Championships next year.

The GSA again increased its tournament calendar and currently plays 8 national tournaments per year, both indoors and outdoors. This year, following our members’ wish to hold a team tournament, a new event – the “Team Trophy” – was added. The “Team Trophy” is played by 6 players each out of our 4 Shuffleboard hubs in Germany (Langenselbold, Limburg, Ludwigshafen, Meerbusch).

Promotion has always been important to the GSA. In 2018 we succeeded in presenting Shuffleboard at many regional events but also on the European level.

On two occasions, the President and the Treasurer of the GSA traveled to Leeuwarden, Netherlands, to meet with representatives of “Sport Fryslan”, the governing body of sport in the northern part of the Netherlands. The group successfully held a Shuffleboard workshop and examined the preparation for the “1st European Games for Traditional Sports” to be held in the region of Fryslan in August 2018. The German Shuffleboard Association will send 10 members to promote the game of Shuffleboard and play in the 1st Shuffleboard tournament in the Netherlands, the “Dutch Open”.