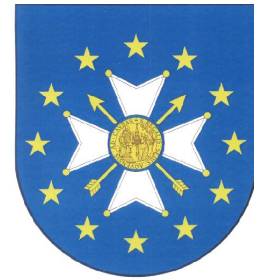




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Dormagen in December 2020

Dear family of marksmen,  
Dear fellow marksmen and friends,

„Every little thing counts in life“ – this phrase by Johann Heinrich Pestalozzi has received a special meaning this year for all of us.

A small virus that has changed our lives and had an effect we never would have thought it to have in the beginning. Our private lives and the lives in our traditions were forced to take a break this year. The pandemic has made it impossible to act out many of our beloved traditions. The personal meetings, which are of such great importance to us, were not feasible or only possible on a much smaller scale.

Each and everyone individually has had to accept deep restrictions in their „normal“ lives, suffers from existential fears, loneliness or has lost loved ones to the virus.

In these difficult times, there were also little things that brought light into the darkness – families have grown closer, neighbours have cared for each other, voluntary work was an enormous help for many and the little things suddenly became more important.

We all hope that some normality will slowly be possible again next year – even at small steps – but: Every little thing counts!

With this in mind, we wish you and your families a very merry Christmas, a peaceful year of 2021 and hope to see you all again in good health in the new year.

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*Louis Litjens*

*Horst Thoren*

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