

NKU Obedience Commission Meeting 1/2024

Time: October 9th, 2024 at 19.30 /20.30
Place: Teams meeting
Participants: Carina Savander-Ranne (chair) FIN
Palle Bergsø DK
Martha Landin (secr.) SE
Stein O. Nergaard NOR

1. Opening of meeting

The president of the commission Carina Savander-Ranne welcomed all the representatives to the on-line meeting.

2. Secretary

Carina Savander-Ranne, Finland, was the chairman as well as secretary for the meeting.

3. Agenda & approval of agenda

- Plans for the future of the commission
- Discussing and deciding on the Nord Championship practices.

4. Plans for the future

Carina Savander-Ranne informed the delegates that she will resign from her long-term presidency and membership in the NKU obedience commission at the end of 2024. Next year the Finnish delegate will be Pernilla Tallberg.

The meeting will be in Finland and both Pernilla and Carina will attend. Carina will make a summing up of all the practices and obligations of the commission.

A new commission president should be chosen at the 2025 meeting.

Also, the secretariat of the NKU will change from Iceland to Finland.

Carina also informed that it is convenient for the president to do the communication and secretary work in-between that meetings, but that there should be a secretary for the meetings from the arranging country so that the delegates can focus on the issues to be dealt with.

5. Arranging Nordic Championship competitions

Distribution of expenses

It was noted that each country reimburses their competitors for their travelling costs to the Nordic Championship very differently.

We agreed that it would be convenient that each country pays 100 euro/participant to the organization arranging the NordM competition. It was suggested to start off 2025.

We also unanimously agreed that our current distribution of expenses works fine and is very easy to manage. The expenses are equally distributed and fair for all participating countries."

Suggestions for new ways of implementing the Nordic Championships.

We unanimously agreed on the following suggestions.

- Ten (10) participants from each country can be entered, altogether 40.
- The previous years champion is allowed to enter.
- Each country nominates its team. This will be six (6) competitors and 1 reserve.
The reserve should be nominated beforehand with the team.
The team result is calculated as before, the five (5) best.
The rest of the competitors can compete for the individual championship but their result may not be included in the team results / included into the team except for the 1st reserve.
The change may be done according to our current rules.
- We should have the same layout as at the WWCh.
 - Saturday is the team competition and the qualification for the finals on Sunday.
- On Saturday (qualifiers):
 - two (2) rings and 2 judges in each ring,
 - four (4) exercises in each ring,
 - group exercises with all four (4) judges.
- On Sunday the finals with 20 competitors.

Who continues to the finals?

- Altogether 20 competitors may continue to the finals.
 - The three (3) best from each country may continue to the finals
 - The rest will be included in the finals according to rank order.
- The points of the qualifier (Saturday) and the final (Sunday) are added up and the one with the highest result wins the Nordic Championship.
- In the finals all four judges give their grade. The final grade is the average of all four grades.

6. Next Nordic Championships in Obedience

Denmark, 8.-9-11.2024, DKK Hundecenter, Copenhagen

Finland, 18.-19.10.2025, Tampere (later changed to 24.-26th October and Turku Åbo)

7. Next meeting and issues to discuss

The delegates were requested to inform the president on the issues they wish to deal with.

- Check the list for contact information.
- The championship from class 2. Summing up.
- Nordic cooperation in the FCI obedience competition.
- Situation in the NordM competition – rules and regulations
- NordM 2024 comments
- Next Nordic judges' meeting (with Baltic participants as well).

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8. Date and place of the next 2024 meetings

- Next meeting will be in Copenhagen after the Nord M (8.-9.11.2024) Sunday 9th evening Monday 10th, 2024.
- The 2025 meeting will be in Tampere (or maybe Helsinki), Finland after the Nord M (18.-19.10.2025) on Sunday 19th evening and Monday 20th, 2025

9. End of meeting

The President thanked the delegates for active participation and ended the meeting at approximately 20 / 21 pm.

Carina Savander-Ranne, chair & secr.

Martha Landin, examiner of minutes

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