

Minutes of Meeting

NKU Rally-obedience Committee Monday 15th February 2021 20:00-22:15, Teams

Participants:	Beatrice Palm (Sweden), Tytti Lintenhofer (Finland), Paul Lysholdt (Denmark) and Solveig Therese Zetterstrøm (Norway)
Absentees:	None
Minutes:	Solveig Zetterstrøm

		Action
1	<p>Opening of the meeting The chairman, Beatrice, opened the meeting. None of the members had anything to add to the agenda.</p>	
2	<p>Minutes from 26th of November 2020. The agenda for this meeting is based on the minutes from the last meeting.</p>	
ar	<p>The situation in each country <u>Finland:</u> It is not allowed to compete in Finland at the moment. In four days it will be taken a decision whether they will open up for competing in march, or if they still will have restrictions as they have now. <u>Sweden:</u> The infection situation is not good. It is not allowed to arrange any competitions at the moment. It is allowed to train outdoors if there are maximum of 8 people. It is not allowed to train inside. This is the rules for the dog clubs. Private schools for dogs have less restrictions. <u>Norway:</u> There are different restrictions depending on where in the country you live. There are no competitions at the moment. In this weekend “Talenttroppen” in Norway has had at digital workshop. They started with a morning meeting, and had some theory. Then they were given some task they had to film and send in. The trainer for the group went through it, and in the evening they all gathered again and went through all the tasks together. It was a successful training weekend. <u>Denmark:</u> There are no activities indoors at the moment. It is allowed to train outside, but maximum 5 people. Outdoor competitions are arranged, but only 5 people at the time, except the judge and the secretary.</p>	
4	<p>Next championships <u>Regulations:</u> After our last meeting Beatrice had contact with Ulf Uddman about our regulations. NKU has still not decided about them. According to Uddman it’s because NKK want’s an overall decision about the costs for all the Nordic championships. This is planned for the first NKU meeting this year. <u>Championship 2021:</u> According to Uddman the plan still is to arrange Stockholm hundmässa, where the Nordic championship will take place. But since the corona situation is so uncertain we decided that Beatrice should contact the swedish organizers and ask them to plan for an alternative location for the championships, if Stockholm hundmässa is cancelled. <u>Championship 2022:</u> The hosting country for the championships in 2022 is, according to our rules, Norway. Paul informed us that he has received an e-mail about a possible change in order for which country who should arrange the championships and when. According to this e-mail Finland would be next in turn. We are awaiting a formal NKU decision about this matter. <u>Other issues regarding the championships:</u> Since many countries use their national championships as part of choosing their Nordic teams, it is important that all countries manage to arrange this before the Nordic championships. Therefore, we think it is wise that</p>	

	the Nordic championships are held either in November or December. We are waiting to set a date for the Nordic championships 2022 until we know what country that will host the competition. When we know that we will decide about a date in our Facebook group.	
5	Judging form (needs updating) Beatrice suggests that we update the judging form with examples under each deduction category. Paul will update the judging form based on this proposal.	Paul
6	Judging issues Prior to the meeting, we went through five films of teams performing a Nordic course. We have all judged the rounds in advance, and Beatrice has summarized our judging. Based on this, we discuss several of the situations in the meeting to clarify that we are on the “same page” when it comes to judging in relation to the regulations. Among other things, we have discussed several aspects of how to judge side steps, backing in front and sending around the cone. Beatrice will post the five films in the group for judges who have judged Nordic before and judges who will judge Nordic in 2021. Beatrice will write under each film what we have judged and why. In this way, we can ensure better coordination of judging.	Beatrice
7	Guidelines (need some updating) We need to add two deductions. The first one is a -3 deduction under handler’s mistake: Handler steps over sign or cone. The second one is a -5 deduction under handler’s mistake. The deduction is described like this; “The handler starts to walk before the dog has it’s head in the right direction”. We need to discuss if we still just should have the opportunity to judge only -10 once per sign. Alle in the committee will think about it, and we will discuss it on our next meeting.	
8	Building Nordic courses We must postpone this to the next meeting. Tytti looks at the document that Beatrice has sent regarding this. Tytti will look at it until the next meeting.	Tytti
9	Other issues Nothing	
10	Next meeting Wednesday 3 rd of march 19.30. Teams. Solveig makes an invitation.	Solveig