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## **Agenda of the rabbit section**

Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup> 2018 at 8.00 am, Kolding, Denmark

### Agenda

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**Standardkommission – Sparte Kaninchen**

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## **1. Opening, welcome**

The president/chariman ad interim, Rainer Retschitzegger, welcomes present delegates and thanks for their participation. He speaks about the unexpected death of our president Erwin Leowsky, who embodied lived the ideals of the EE like as a veteran. He asks all the delegates to stand up for a minute`s silences in memory of Erwin.

## **2. Determination of the presence**

29 participants from 14 member countries.

Present: DAN/2, GER/6, FIN/1, FRAU/2, LAT/2, LUX/1, NOR/2, AUT/1, ROU/1, SWE/1, SUI/6 incl. Kaninhop, SLO/1 ,CZE/2, HUN/1

Guest participant Litauen (Application for admission runs and will be passed in 2019 to the general meeting.

Excused: BEL

## **3. Records of addresses**

The chairman hands out lists of the membership administration for being checked and supplemented. EE-Secretary Esther Huwiler will refer to this later on to these pending issues.

## **4. Minutes of the EE-Meeting from May 27th in Eger/Hungary**

Minutes were published in German, English and French on the website.

There were and will be no objections or supplements and is therefore regarded as approved.

## **5. Correspondence and messages**

- IT´ s very important that information, findings and resolutions of EE-meetings as well as from judging seminars are passed and communicated well in member`s own country.
- Problems and actualities about breed specific European shows will follow under item 13.
- For further actualities please see each relevant agenda item.

## **6. Committee meeting reports**

The chairman informs about some items in advance.

Some member associations have failed payments.

The committee filed an application to increase contributions.

## **7. Agenda for general meeting from May 12th 2018**

- The Agenda was sent via Email, shown on the website and added to the conference documents.
- The president ad interim explained all the items.

## **8. Acceptance of new Members**

- Lithuania, attended as a guest, the request for entry will be processed for 2019.
- Turkey for poultry
- Portugal guest for pigeons and poultry (attempts for entry)
- Serbia - Coalition of associations and new entry
- Ukraine prepares for entry for the rabbit section, 2 participations in judging seminars.
- Information in detail and definitive at the general meeting.

## **9. EE–Judging seminar**

The chairman thanked Carsten Philippsen and his assistants for carrying out the train course by end of March in Oksbøl/DK. Thanks as well to Urban Hamann for the support in organising and managing the professional part as well to all speakers. Almost 150 judges coming from 22 countries participated the train course. It was an interesting and successful training. The training itself achieves limits of dimension. Basically judges from member countries are supposed to attend trainings. The standard committee decides on expectations like upcoming entries.

Suggestions and ideas may be sent at any time.

2019 the event will take place in Germany. Wolfgang Vogt announces key data about it already. March 22<sup>nd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> 2019 in Berching, Bayern. Patronage DPV, responsible organizers on-site Markus Grillenbeck with the club B730 Berching as well as Patrick Elting.

Accommodation in 3 Hotels in double bedrooms. Single bedrooms at an extra charge. Space available for 150–160 participants. Training and lodging in the Pettenkofer-house.

Prospective topics are Sallander, Rhon and Schwarzgrannen and a practical part.

The secretary explains the new granted modalities of registration.

Registration and payments can only be done country-by-country. Thus the sequence will be more simple and efficient. It is necessary that a form is filled and signed by the responsible contact person of the country concerned what confirms that all judges shown originate the respective member association.

The registration documents will be shown on the website in November.

## **10. Report of the standard commission**

Instead of the deceased Erwin Leowsky two candidates are being suggested by their country associations. Markus Eber from Germany and Henri van Weelden from the Netherlands are nominated. Both are members in the national standard commission of countries they belong to and jointly responsible in the training. Netherlands are unfortunately absent. The standard commission unanimously elected Markus Eber and proposes to the divisional meeting this election to confirm. The proposal will be accepted unanimously and Markus Eber welcomed with applause.

Tasks were redefined since Rainer Retschitzegger as chairman makes his function/task available because he candidates as section chairman. The standard commission suggests the division meeting following distribution of tasks to be confirmed.

Chairman: Roland Olinger, Luxemburg (previous 2<sup>nd</sup> chairman and treasurer)

2<sup>nd</sup> Chairman: Yvon Weissenbacher, France (previous member)

Treasurer: Wolfgang Vogt, Germany (previous member)

The people suggested will be confirmed by the section meeting.

Urban Hamann, Switzerland (Secretary) and Herbert Zens, Czech Republic (member) will stay in function. The previous chairman Rainer Retschitzegger, Austria is now member like the newly elected Markus Eber, Germany.

The next ESKK meeting will take place from September 28<sup>th</sup>–30<sup>th</sup>.2018 in Berching, Germany. This will be immediately after the meeting for disposition of judges in Herring, Denmark, for the European show.

## **11. European Standard**

Rainer Retschitzegger tells that 57 issues from the European standard 2012 are still on stock in Austria and 3 at the standard commission. In some countries a couple of issues are still in stock at their material depots. The supplementary sheets 2015 are plentiful available. The ESKK has granted to do a standard revision and printing than the new version. For the publication date will 2021 be focused on previously to the European show in Austria. In the meanwhile diverse adjustments are carried out and we have one new specific breed. In addition item 1 of course will be new „Weight“ and „body shape and type“ will be judged in Item 2. First of the judging proceedings should be scaling and then the judging procedure itself.

Wolfgang Vogt: It isn't necessary to reinvent the standard. Proven things should be kept and improvements be done.

Urban Hamann: Cooperation of countries, especially regarding their own breeds and description, is very important.

The Hungarian delegate, Klaus Andreas Albert, tells that the new Hungarian rabbit breeders association works intensively on training breeders and judges and is willing to take over the European standard as their national standard. They want to translate to the Hungarian language.

He inquiries about the conditions for admission of new breeds and colours as well as showing not accepted breeds on the European show. He will stay in contact with Urban Hamann and let advice and support himself.

## **12. Information about the European show 2018 in Denmark**

Will be spoken about later on by the head of show Willi Littau when he comes. In combination with Traktandum 16.

## **13. Breed specific EE-shows 2019 (RBES)**

Allgemein muss die Abrechnung der 50 Eurocent pro Tier sowie die Zusendung des Katalogs besser klappen. Partially there is potential for improvements. The transfer must be done to Willi Littau, treasurer EE. On the website there is a expenses form with account data etc. This should be used. Copy with catalogue to Rainer Retschitzegger.

The registration form for the RBES has been removed temporarily from the website and will be shown shortly again with the valid announcing address.

The list of the RBES granted will be combined for all sections by Esther Huwiler and shown on the website at each section.

Actually granted are:

- 20./21.10.2018 Recke/D Rhon, Sallander, Schwarzgrannen, Harlekquin
  - (exemption permit, since the show is hold for a long time annually)

In the ESKK-meeting yesterday have been granted:

- 22.-24.11.2019 Rahier/B Rex, Rex-dwarfs
- 22.-24.11.2019 Wels/A Tan and all tan coloured colourings of other breeds
- 18./19.01.2020 Pirmasens/D all Rex-breeds (repetition due to great success)

Not granted was the request from Bulgaria a RBES for Giant rabbits since Bulgaria isn't a member for the rabbit section and therefore under this patronage no RBES can be carried out. Peter Iseli, Switzerland: The valuable and for breeders interesting RBES should be encouraged.

It is to be focused on that judges will be arranged which are educated by the European standard and visit the EE-trainings. Unfortunately this may not always be the case. In lots of countries are judges like this sufficiently available. Anyway in Germany where most of the

RBES take place. The regulations shows „it should be“ and unfortunately not „it must be“. The standard commission will look into it and check increased influence.

Uli Hartmann, Deutschland: RBES are rewarding and encouraging but often in calendar based conflict to club shows. Is there any way to avoid this?

Additionally the significance of the title European Master and European Champion should be enhanced by higher animal minimum–registration numbers for those titles.

#### **14. Which rabbit breeds aren` t listed in the European standard yet**

##### **EE breeding register**

Newly accepted in the Netherlands:

- K nder lop (small lops with silvering, like Meissner lops).

In France:

- Dwarf Angora, colourings white red eyes, white blue eyes, blue, havanna, black
- Netherland dwarf satin, colourings ivory red eyes and blue eyes, black, dark blue, havanna, red, feh, lux, chinchilla, castor, hare coloured, siam, thuringer, Russian cloured in blue, havanna and black.
- Sable des vogues in blue

In Hungary:

- Dwarf satin mantelgescheckt

#### **15. Information for EE–meetings**

Venues:

- 2019 Kroatia
- 2020 Czech Republic
- 2021 Austria
- 2022 Bosnia

#### **16. Diseases and welfare – report from the animal welfare advisory**

Advisory member Dr. Joseph Rey–Bellet, Switzerland informs. The advisory board met under Dr. Schille. Dr. Janny Hermans has resigned. Instead him Erik Apperlo, NL was elected.

The advisory board meets and suggests such contacts with the authorities and so on. He tells about the admission of the Skinnys (naked guinea pigs) in the Cavia section. The welfare advisory and the presidium don` t grant that admission by reasons of impairment the animal welfare. That topic is not completed yet.

For the European show Denmark doesn` t require any immunisation against VHK since that isn` t requested in their own country. It just can be a recommendation by the EE. That item is powerful discussed. Each country can request the vaccination according to their regulations. For vaccines care should be taken that they are effective for VHK 1 and VHK 2 both. There circulate vaccines which are effective against one of the pathogens only. Prevention is better than cure.

Rabbit fever (tularemia) is very sporadic again. This disease can finally be transferred to humans.

Willi Littau explains the most important particulars for the European show in Herning in November. From June registration documents will be online. All particulars can be found on sites of the EE and the European show both.

## 17. Report from the Kaninhop

Jules Schweizer, chairman Kaninhop-commission, informs about the news.

- A meeting was held with agents from D/CS/S/CH to create regulations for European shows. After several adjustments it was accepted by all member associations.
- 3 years ago the EM was awarded to Denmark. Finally the EM wouldn't be carried out during the EE-show. Deadline one year ago: Pentecost. After differences in opinions of the regulations holding the EM was cancelled by the person responsible from Denmark. After new understandings with people responsible for the EE-show in Herning the EM will now be held during this show. The pre-organisation has started and occurs by people from D/CS/CH. The regulations should be shown in several languages. The grand-Jury consists of Kai Sander/D, Liv Hagmann/CS and Jules Schweizer/CH. Another organizational meeting will be held in advance to the EE-show. 750 starts could be done until Sunday of the European show in the context of the EM 2018.
- The Kaninhop section speaks out an urgent vaccination recommendation against VHK 1+2.
- The new Chair of the board shall request an official Kaninhop-Commission within the EE.

## 18. National show in the own country – Where and number of rabbits?

On behalf of the EE-secretary Esther Huwiler the chair of the board hands out a list to be filled in. The list is shown on the EE-main page in the show column:

[http://www.entente-ee.com/wp-content/uploads/20180506-Meldeformular-nationale-Schauen\\_für-HP.pdf](http://www.entente-ee.com/wp-content/uploads/20180506-Meldeformular-nationale-Schauen_für-HP.pdf)

There the shows can be registered directly and sent to Esther.

## 19. Internet

EE-President Gion Gross and Esther Huwiler appear and welcome all attendants. Esther Huwiler tells once again about mutations and notifications which should be done in the intranet directly. Anyone who has problems arranging can subsequently spend her a visit in her office. She will advise and assist gladly.

## 20. Elections

EE-President Gion Gross carries out the elections. Actually there is no election year. However our section president Erwin Leowsky died unexpectedly the president has to be elected newly. First of all he paid tributes to our Erwin Leowsky died. His unexpected and untimely death leaves a void. Erwin has demonstrated the EE-thought.

Furthermore the longstanding section vice-president, Herbert Zens from Czech Republic resigns.

His long and energetic contribution is thanked.

Timely two candidatures arrived for the office of the section president.

On the one hand from the ZDRK the candidature from Wolfgang Vogt, known as member of the standard commission. He also is the president of the German judge association.

On the other hand the candidature from Rainer Retschitzegger from the Austrian specific breeds association RÖK. Rainer is known as previous president of the standard commission as well as section chair of the board in the RÖK.

In April Wolfgang Vogt contacted Gion Gross and changed his candidature to the office of the vice-president and explained the reasons for.

Rainer Retschitzegger will be elected for the new president unanimously. Rainer thanks for the confidence and wants to continue the European thinking in future like as his predecessor. Wolfgang Vogt will also be elected unanimously for the new vice-president. He thanks for the confidence as well. The secretary, Urban Hamann will remain in office.

## **21. Suggestions and wishes**

No applications received

## **22. Miscellaneous**

Keine Eingänge.

Photography session with all participants in the courtyard subsequently.

The new elected section president Rainer Retschitzegger thanks all for their participation and wishes a good flow further on, good return and all the best until the European show in November.

Kolding, 11.05.2019

Secretary  
Urban Hamann

