

**Report of the international judges seminar
at September 14 - 2018 in Oksbol / Denmark**

The seminar is organized by the both Danish Associations for poultry and pigeon breeders in the conference center Danhoste Blaavandshuk in Oksbol / Denmark.
This seminar is attended by 37 participants in the EE Section Pigeons from 15 European countries: A, BIH, CH, D, DK, F, H, HR, I, LT, N, NL, PL, SK und SRB.

Welcome

The president of the EE section Pigeons, Mr. August Heftberger, welcomes the, participants.
Thanks to the organizers of this event, to Mr.Hans Ove Christiansen, president of the Danish Pigeon breeders Association (DRF) and his crew.

Program points

Mr. Christiansen represents the organization of the Danmarks Rassedue Foreniger, DRF.
This is grounded in 1952. A former, no longer existing DRF, was grounded in 1884.

The DRF counts 500 breeders, united in 25 local clubs and 18 special clubs.
Last organize a breed specific show yearly.
Annually DRF organizes a National pigeon Show and Young pigeon Shows at Jylland, Fyn und Sjaelland.
The DRF board has 5 persons, the Standard Committee and the Judges Committee each 3 persons.
Judges education starts basic, followed for breed or group yearly.
The DRF Magazine Rasseduen is published monthly. Band code DR, Danmark Rassedue.

The PP-presentation by Hans Schipper about requested knowledge, skills and obligations for the judge and the judging process is the same as in 2017 in Doorn / NL with excepted the introduction procedure while judges have been contracted for the EE Show in Herning.
The presentation in German language, PP images are in D, E and F.
All images are in a map together with those used for the other presentations.

Mr. Hans Ove Christiansen discusses the **Danish Suabian**, *Dansk Svabere*.
The concept standard image by Jean Louis Frindel shows the type not enough stretched.
Will be corrected.
The Suabian is a complicated breed. With the exception of the type, every characteristic is typical for the breed. 12 Colours are recognized.
The best known and qualitatively the best is the "silver" Suabian, Dansk Solvsvabere.
Mask, body and tail dark charcoal grey, skull, neck, wing shields and back very light "silvery" grey, the so called marking colour. On the upper breast the nut-brown front colour.
The mask, surrounded by the silver skull and neck, shall be clean, which is hard to attain when a pure silver skull. Over the wattles mostly a thin dark coloured line. Discussion about: characteristic yes or no. Will be checked. If yes, this will become a standard characteristic.
On the vanes of the flights sharply marked off clear white "mirror" markings.
At the flight ends a round white spot, "pearl". These shall not touch the mirrors. Brown is serious fault !
Next main color is the Blue Svabere . Mask, body and tail even clear blue. Upper breast somewhat darker. Tail with tail band. Marking colour near white.
More rare are (blue) silver (delute blue) and black, rare are red and yellow. Recognized, but not bread in Denmark are cream, mealy, brown- and khaki- silver.

Mr. Anders Christiansen discusses the **Danish Tumbler** . For this breed a new standard image exists, painted by Jean Louis Frindel. The breed is recognized clean legged and socket.
Sequence of importance: Overall impression - Neck - Legs / socks- Colour - Head - Beak - Eyes - Marking.
Elegant, slender, strong shoulder, full, upwards carried breast, The preferred type / station shall fit inside a rectangle with basic corner of 50° . Back and tail gradient of 50°
For many birds the judge will need patience to achieve this station.

Horizontal tail when correct declination if the back 93 note points. With its correctly declining station, specially slender, upright neck and well carved throat, the bird gives an elegant impression.
Thick neck and specially bagdad bump are serious faults.

The tail shall be closed. Hanging tail feather, open of wide tail. is fault. Roof tail acceptable if closed. Correct wing station and back cover. Crossing wings is fault, Important the length of the legs and foot feathers. Colour: reddish sheen at black, red and yellow. Reds and yellows often show hair feathers. Acceptable If not disturbing. The head shall show sufficient width, From the beak tip onto the neck a uninterrupted curved line with integrated beak and wattles, top down view the same. Beak line towards the eye centre. Beak strong, clear, closed. Eye iris milky white, concentrically in the eye. Danish Tumblers appear in many colours, markings and leg feathered varieties. Before all; magpie. Markings sharp marked off. At the under wing the magpie band shall appear, which means a band marking of white feathers between the white feathers of the side and the white under wing. By far more rare are Tiger, Whiteflight, Whiteflight-whitetail, Whiteshield, Helmed, Brander dark and light, Stipper gray, yellow and bown, Brander and Stipper have a dark beak. All colours are discussed very comprehensively. Depending on rareness, judging shall be taken in allowance.

EESP President, Mr. August Heftberger hands over the EE Badges for judges to Mr. Peter Dobrucky und Mr. Macko Marián, Slovakia, Mr. Georg Sattlecker, Austria, Mr. Goletto Mauro, Italy and Mr. Daniel Toos, France.

Anders Christiansen represents with a PPP his feelings about the process at our shows (continental). He discusses examples of judging at events, aiming more relax in our hobby. Starting point: Breeding pigeons with the aim showing and competition is sport. Sport means: enthusiasm, emulation, ambition, stress. With examples of judging other animals in other countries, also, is shown how competition and judging are experienced by present breeders and audience complete other atmosphere than at the shows today in the EE. Our shows could need some excitement. Make shows and with that our hobby more attractive. For the exhibitor it would be interesting and exciting when enabled to join the judgment. The night before a good sleep at and ambition at home. This all would only be possible when at the show enough space for judge and audience. Judgment at our shows means the sentence of one judge. Why not more judges (jury) like at shows for dogs, cattle, sports like gymnastics, figure skating, ski jumping. Off course: where to with the judges? At shows open assignment of the best birds joined by audience with understandable explanation. Short: think about how to adapt our hobby to the actual time.

In accordance with the program the Danish Jacobin (in ELFP), Danish Trumpeter and Old Danish Tumbler are discussed. In a separate hall Danish poultry and pigeon reeds are shown.

For the report of the ESCP meeting see minutes at the EE-site Pigeons www.ententeeuropéenne-EE.com.

EEST president Mr. August Heftberger thanks all participants at this seminar for their presence. The Judges Seminar 2018 is closed.

Hans Schipper