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Protocol of the section rabbits

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Vösendorf / Austria



Standard committee - Section rabbits

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1. Opening and greeting

Erwin Leowsky, 1.Chairman section rabbits, welcomes all present to the current section meeting on the occasion of the EE- meeting in Vösendorf/ Vienna.

Erwin Leowsky thanks the Austria colleagues for the organisation of the meeting. He hopes for a interesting current meeting and explains the order of the day.

2. Notice of attendance

29 participants from 15 countries are present
<http://www.entente-ee.com/sparten/kaninchen/>

3. Writing of the minutes of the EE-Meeting 16th May 2015 in Metz/ France

The protocol is approved without any objections.

4. Directory

The new datas can be found on the website: <http://www.entente-ee.com>

5. Correspondence and notifications

No request to speak

6. Report of the chairmanship meeting

Erwin Leowsky informs about the chairmanship meeting on May 5th 2016. The main focus was on the finances. The EE- Website has been redeveloped. The management of the members is held by the section chairman. The EE- Conference 2017 takes places in Eger (Hungary). The European exhibition 2021 will presumably be in Austria. The European exhibitions based on breedings were all financed and are considered finished. An important topic is the sponsorship which is handled, with great engagement, by Urs Freiburghaus.

7. Order of the day the general meeting 7th May 2016

The order of the day is being discussed and Erwin Leowsky informs about the points of the agenda.

8. Admission of new members

Finland made an application for admission. The admission takes place on Saturday, 7th May 2016 during the general meeting.

9. 13th EE- judicial training 01st-03rd April in Luxemburg

Erwin Leowsky thanks Roland Olinger and his team for the great work they did during the judicial teaching in Luxemburg. The training took place on a very high level. In the future, it is important, that the focus is also on theoretical topics (cost distribution etc.).

Roland Olinger was highly satisfied and would like to thank everyone for the support. The documents, written in three different languages, were appreciated.

All documents were updated on the website of the EE- Association.

<http://www.entente-ee.com>

Further trainings:

- 14th EE-judicial training 2017; in Austria (further details will follow)
- 15th EE-judicial training 2018; in Denmark

The assignment of the judges to the European exhibition will result from the attendance of the EE- judicial teaching and the registered animals per country.

There was a request that the EE-judicial teaching should take place in different regions of Europe and in smaller groups. This was rejected as not so good, as the quality of the training would be greatly decreased.

10. Report of the standard committee

Rainer Retschitzegger, 1. Chairman of the standard committee welcomes everyone and informs about the intensive meeting of the standard committee from May 5th 2016. 10 meeting points were discussed.

Details can be read in the protocol:

<http://www.entente-ee.com/sparten/kaninchen/>

Next meeting of the standard committee: 12th-14th August 2016

11. European standard

Erwin Leowsky addressed some mistakes that appeared. It is important that suggestions are conveyed to the standard committee, so that they can be included in future alterations. One aim of the EE- standard committee is the presentation of the EE- standard as a digital version.

For all English Spots/Rhinelanders effective from 5th May 2016

minor mistake: a single different coloured claw is allowed.

great mistake: different coloured eyes/and more than one single different coloured claw.

62 - Breeding Sallander:

Submission of the Dutch standard committee: The breeding Sallander is added to the European Standard of 2012. It was bred from the Netherland judicial D.J. Kuiper and officially recognised as its own breed since 1975 in the Netherlands. However, there are differences for the Sallander between the European and the Netherland Standard of 2007. The description in the European Standard for the top colour is “The top colour is cinnamon (white coffee). The outer hair of the top colour is fuliginous and are lying as a slight veil over the mantle.” The description in the Netherland Standard for the top colour (translated) is “The covering colour is fractured white. The outer hair of the top colour is blackish and lying as a slight veil over the mantle. Brown as covering colour is incorrect. Brown trace in the badges is also incorrect.”

The illustration (picture of a rabbit) in the European Standard 2012 was correct and is corrected faulty by the inlayed sheet from 2015 (same animal but with brown trace). It is suggested to modify the European Standard section Sallander and to describe the top colour as it is described in the Netherland Standard and to note that top colour and badge is faulty if it is brown. The country of origin plays an important role for outlining an European Standard.

Decision: The description in the EE-Standard persists.

81 - Silver fawn:

- Top colour of the abdomen - The description in the EE-Standard persists

148 - Mini rex:

- effective from 5th May 2016 - length of the hair 16 to 20 mm
Both positions have to be implemented precisely:
- Position 3 - Coat (density and length)
- Position 4 - Structure of the hair

Croatian Organisation

- The Croatian union requires the addition Croatian mini lop rex in section mini lop rex.
- **Decision:** There will be no addition of national descriptions to the current breeding.

Croatian Gross Grannenkaninchen

- This breeding is accepted in two countries Bosnia Herzegovina and Croatia. That's why it is not listed in the EE-Standard.

Long haired rabbit breeds

- The animals have to have totally free eyes. Animal protection stands above everything.

12. Review of the European exhibition 13th- 15th November 2015 in Metz/France

At the beginning, Erwin Leowsky saw a lot of negative things, but with some distance he also recognised a lot of positive points. The section rabbits had several meetings for the organisation of the exhibition. However, the suggestions weren't considered at all. The volunteers from Germany weren't accepted.

- He was bothered by the fact, that a few judges did not use the EE-Standard
- A Dutch judge asked the administrators to be informed about the type of breed he had to judge. This kind of behavior cannot be accepted.
- The assignment of the breeds were also shifted partly between single judges. This mustn't be accepted in the future.
- A lot of judges didn't bring their scales with them, so that whole groups of judges had no scales.
- The feeding of the animals was neglected.
- 3 rows of exhibition boxes are not accepted.
- A few judges did not meet the determined time of judgement.
- A lot of judges did great work

Negative things that happened in Metz had never appeared before and will never appear again in the future. We have to watch out that the indiscipline of one single person is not generalised. Jeannine Jehl did great work, therefore, there is no criticism on her.

The deputy of Denmark informs about the preparation work of the European exhibition in Denmark. He said, that it is a great challenge for them,

calculated are 22.000 animals, thereof 6.000 rabbits. Five judges from Denmark will join the next EE-judicial training in Austria, including the experience to the evaluation of the European exhibition. They need help for the exhibition boxes and the EDV programme.

It is important that the communication for Denmark is tackled positively. The negative experiences from Metz have to be seen as a one off. The exhibitors have to be jollied along.

13. European exhibitions based on breedings

- 15th/16th October 2016; 2nd European exhibition based on breedings for Rhönkaninchen, Schwarzgrannen und Japaner, Großstolpen in Leipzig (Saxon)
- 13th-15th October 2017 – Rhönkaninchen, Schwarzgrannen und Japaner
- 15th-17th November 2017 – Slovakia; European exhibition based on breedings for all dwarf rabbits
- 24th-26th November 2017 – Belgium all lop breeds
- 2019 – advance notice: Rhönkaninchen, Schwarzgrannen und Japaner
- 2020 - 8th European exhibition in Kaninhop in Czech Republic

14. EE-breeding register 2016 - which new rabbit breedings in their own land are not admitted to the european standard yet?

The Netherland Standard committee informs about the following breedings, that are newly added to the Netherland rabbit standard;

Mini English Spots/ Rhinelanders – in colours: black, havanna, blue und tricoloured black- yellow- white (Weight unknown)

15. Information about EE-meetings

- 2017 – Eger / Hungary, 24th-28th Mai 2017
- 2018 – Denmark, 09th-13th Mai 2018 (european exhibition)
- 2019 – Croatia, 29th Mai – 2nd Juni 2019
- 2020 – Czech Republic, 20th-24th Mai 2020
- 2021 – Germany, 14th-16th Mai 2021
- 2022 – Bosnia / Herzegovina, 27th-29th Mai 2022

16. Diseases and animal protection- Animal protection advisor's report

Dr. Joseph Rey-Bellet, member of the EE- advisory council on animal protection welcomes all deputies. He gives detailed information about the meeting of the advisory council on animal protection from Thursday 5th May 2016.

Chairman Prof. Dr. Hans-Joachim Schille informs the members of the advisory council on animal protection about the excellent collaboration in the executive committee,.

He is was pleased about the good functioning of the sections. The European exhibition was another topic. Which are good from the animal health point of view, however, from the animal protection point of view there are a catastrophe.

Dr. Joseph Rey-Bellet prepared a checklist for the section rabbit to test breeding characteristics (weight, long haired breedings, lop breeds, etc.). These checklist will be added on the website soon.

Animal health: RHD2 is a current topic in Switzerland. The vaccine is only available in France up to now. A special import license was applied in Switzerland to get the vaccine from France. If there are any questions about it please ask Prof. Dr. Hans-Joachim Schille personally.

Also in England there is an RHD2, here you can get the vaccine from France directly. This vaccine is effective on both RHD versions (V1/V2).

In contrast to RHD1, RHD2 also attacks pups as of the second week.

We assume that this virus will spread further on to other EE-countries. Don't panic but keep your eyes open for died animals and examine them and check the provisions for the vaccine.

Symptoms RHD2; daze feeling and relative quick death.

In Switzerland vaccination for breedings is recommended.

In exhibitions there is an increased affection of animals, which then infect the animals at home. Which preventive measures can be taken? Please send written information to the advisory council on animal protection Prof. Dr. Hans-Joachim Schille or Dr. Joseph Rey-Bellet.

Further information can be obtained from the report of the advisory council on animal protection from Saturday, 7th May 2016 from Prof. Dr. Hans-Joachim Schille.

17. Exhibition of federation on home soil- Where and number of animals?

Take a look at: <http://www.entente-ee.com/sparten/kaninchen/>

Please inform secretary Urban Hamann about changes and news on exhibitions: urban.hamann@bluewin.ch

18. Internet

The new website is updated:

<http://www.entente-ee.com>

19. Elections

This year responsible people for the following sections have to be elected.

a) 1. Chairman section rabbits

Markus Vogel is grateful for the work done by Erwin Leowsky and recommends to re-elect him for the next three years. There is no rival candidate and no deputy rises to speak.

Voting: Erwin Leowsky is re-elected unanimously as 1.Chairman for the next three years.

b) 2. Chairman section rabbits

Markus Vogel would like to thank Herbert Zens for his work and recommends to re-elect him for the next three years. There is no rival candidate and no deputy rises to speak.

Voting: Herbert Zens is re-elected unanimously for the next three years.

c) Secretary section rabbits

Markus Vogel introduces Urban Hamann as Secretary for the section rabbits to the present deputies and recommends to elect him for three years. There is no rival candidate and no deputy rises to speak.

Voting: Urban Hamann is re-elected unanimously for 3 years.

d) Responsible Person EE-Kanin-Hop

Markus Vogel thanks for the work of Jules Schweizer and recommends to re-elect him for the next three years. There is no rival candidate and no deputy rises to speak.

Voting: Jules Schweizer is re-elected unanimously for 3 years.

20. Election or rather confirmation of the whole standard committee

Markus Vogel informs about the election of the members of the standard committee.

1. Chairman – Rainer Retschitzegger

2. Chairman – Roland Olinger

Secretary – Urban Hamann

Further members are: Yvon Weissenbacher, Herbert Zens und Wolfgang Vogt.

No deputy rises to speak.

Voting: All officials are elected unanimously in their office.

21. Suggestions and representations

Peter Iseli / Switzerland: promotes advertisements for European exhibition breedings. It is essential to work together across country's frontiers.

22. Any other business

Erwin thanks for the active cooperation of the meeting. If there appear any questions feel free to ask at any time. We will be pleased to help if there are any challenges or difficulties. The fellowship should be cultivated.

End of the meeting; 11.10 o'clock

Vösendorf/Wien, 11th May 2016

Markus Vogel

Markus Vogel, Secretary.