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Minutes of the Rabbit section

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1. Opening / Welcome

Erwin Leowsky, President of the Rabbit section welcomes all attendees cordially to the meeting.

He thanks the French organisers for hosting this year's convention. He looks forward to an interesting meeting and further clarifies the agenda.

Immediately after, there is a minute's silence for Mirdza Silina from Latvia, who died very unexpectedly in 2014.

Jean-Jacques Menigoz und Jeannine Jehl represent the French organisers.

- Under item 7 - We welcome the EE President , Gion P. Gross and the EE General Secretary, Esther Huwiler. Gion Gross conveys greetings from the Executive and Esther Huwiler introduces the new, electronic administration. Data from each country can be recorded immediately. All recording has to be completed by **31. July 2015** at the latest.
- Under item 13 - We welcome the EE- Honorary President, Urs Freiburghaus. He is deployed as photographer.

2. Recording Attendance

31 delegates from 17 countries are attending.

(See [PDF Statistics EE-meetings Rabbit section](#))

3. Minutes of the EE meeting of 31. May 2014 in Sarajevo

The minutes are accepted unanimously.

4. Address List

Will be uploaded on the Homepage of the European Association.

5. Correspondence and Information

The Austrian Judges's Council is offering to host the 14. Judges' Seminar in 2017 in the vicinity of Linz.

Decision; This proposal is accepted unanimously.

Regulations of the European Rabbit Standard Committee.

These Regulations had been present in three languages on the EE Homepage for acceptance. No objections have been raised.

Decision; The Regulations have been unanimously accepted.

Regulations for the hosting of Breedspecific European Show, Rabbit section.

These Regulations had been present in three languages on the EE Homepage for acceptance. No objections have been raised.

Decision; The Regulations have been unanimously accepted.

Information about identification of rabbits in all countries is being handed in very slowly. Those countries that have so far not sent in any information, are required to do so to the Secretary by 15. July 2015 at the latest, accompanied by some photographs.

It is still not clear which association in Latvia is affiliated to the EE. The EE is not interested in their domestic uncertainties. Entries from Latvia are welcome.

EE–Judges' badges; people that have not received their badge yet, need to contact the President, Erwin Leowsky.

Criteria; attendance of 3 EE–Judges' seminars within the last 5 years plus one judging engagement at a European Show.

4. European Championships Rabbit Hopping – Sempach 2015. Jules Schweizer delivers a short presentation on the course of the event. He also mentions unpleasant encounters and tells the meeting that the Regulations will be revised and tightened.

6. Reports of the Executive meetings

Erwin Leowsky informs the meeting about the Executive meeting of Thursday, 14. May 2015. The EE is putting together a new website. The uploading of documents will be carried out in the next few months. **Please note;** in the event that someone would like to publish an article, please send all relevant details to the Secretary, Markus Vogel.

7. Agenda of the Annual General Meeting of 16. May 2015

The agenda is discussed and Erwin Leowsky clarifies some points.

8. Affiliation of New Members

Finland has sent in a proposal for affiliation; unfortunately, this came in too late.

Decision; affiliation will take place in 2016, but all Finish rabbit fanciers are welcome to show at the European Show 2015.

9. 12. EE-Judges' Seminar, 27.-29. March 2015 in Metz (F)

146 Judges attended the 12. Judges' Seminar in Baerenthal (F). Erwin Leowsky thanks Yvon Weissenbacher and his team for the organisation. It was a good mix of technical instructions and socialising. The cooperation and camaradery in the Rabbit section is very good.

Various documents can be found on the EE Homepage.

Link: <http://www.entente-ee.com/deutsch/sparten/kaninchen/Tagungen.html>

Future Seminars:

- 13. EE-Judges' Seminar; 1.-3. April 2016 in Schuttrange (Luxembourg)
- 14. EE-Judges' Seminar; in Austria (dates to follow)

10. Reports of the Standards Committee

Rainer Retschitzegger, President of the EE Rabbit Standards Committee welcomes all and gives some information about the meeting that was held on 14. May 2015.

There is a question from Belgium: can Harlequins be shown at the European Show in the colour yellow or blue?.

Decision; They can, but every rabbit within the collection has to have the same colours. Markus Vogel will inform Dieter Plumanns.

The section Wien/NÖ and Bgld proposes the following: that from 2015 marked breeds, including Dalmatians will no longer be disqualified for pigmented claws.

Decision; 1 odd coloured claw = fault (minus 0.5 points), More than 1 odd coloured claw = disqualification; this does not include the thumb nail.

Next meeting of the EE-Standards Committee; 2./3. October 2015.

Hotel Les Tuileries, route de Cuvry in F-57420 Fey

Assigning judges for the European Show in Metz 2015.

11. European-Standard

Numerous amendments have been made and new complimentary pages have been printed. These new pages can be ordered by all countries.

Current stock of EE-Standards; 248 copies

Complimentary pages; €6 per set

New price including complimentary pages €38 in total.

12. European Show from 13. - 15. November 2015 in Metz (F)

Erwin Leowsky gives some current information for this show.

The entry forms will be uploaded in the next few days.

Information can be found at all times on www.metz2015.fr

13. Breedspecific European Shows

- 16.-18.10.2015 – Switzerland; Breedspecific European Show for Rhön-, Harlequin- and Schwarzgrannen.
- 2016 – Germany; Breedspecific European Show for Rhön-, Harlequin- and Schwarzgrannen.

14. Which of your national breeds have not been included in the European standard yet? EE-Breeds Register 2015

The Standards Committee of the Netherlands informs about the latest additions to the Dutch standard:

Meißner Lop, Butterfly havana

English, tri-coloured havana-yellow-white

Dwarf Lop, fawn

Netherland Dwarf, Schwarzgrannen

15. Information about future EE conventions

- 2016 – Austria, 04.-08. May 2016
- 2017 – Hungary, 24.-28. May 2017
- 2018 – Denmark, 09-13. May 2018 (European Show)

- 2019 – Croatia, 29. May – 2. June 2019
- 2020 – Czech Republic, 20.–24. May 2020
- 2021 – Germany, 14.–16. May 2021
- 2022 – Bosnia / Hercegovina, 27.–29. May 2022

16. Ailments & Animal Welfare – Report from the Sub Committee

Dr. Joseph Rey-Bellet, member of the EE Subcommittee for Animal Health and Welfare informs about their meeting of Thursday, 14. May 2015.

- The President Prof. Dr. Hans-Joachim Schille informed the meeting about the cooperation with the EE Executive, which is excellent. The finances will be a challenge in the next few years.
- Animal Welfare was a hotly discussed topic especially as Switzerland is inundated with it at the moment, e.g. the welfare whilst breeding.

Prof. Dr. Hans-Joachim Schille said that this had also been a bone of contention in Germany some years ago. Scientific arguments were used at the time, which proved successful.

- The veterinary regulations for the European Show were discussed in depth. The usual vaccination against RHD 1 does not 100% protect for RHD 2. The situation is challenging. Switzerland has almost reached a point where post mortems show which version the rabbit died from. Dr. Joseph Rey-Bellet advises to vaccinate the rabbits with the usual vaccination against RHD.
- Enterocolitis is on its way down, which is very good and probably aided by food adaptations.
- According to Erwin Leowsky, there are no new details about the little used vaccine against the clostridium related Enterocolitis in Germany.
- Dr. Joseph Rey-Bellet stresses, that the first priority is to inform all EE fanciers about animal health and welfare.
- Any questions about animal health and welfare are to be directed to Dr. Joseph Rey-Bellet or Prof. Dr. Hans-Joachim Schille

Further information will be given in the report of the Sub Committee at the AGM on Saturday, 16. May 2015 by Prof. Dr. Hans-Joachim Schille.

17. National Show in your country – where and entry Tiere?

(see PDF National Shows Rabbit section)

Please send any amendments to Markus Vogel at: markvogel@bluewin.ch

18. Internet

New Homepage will go live shortly.

19. Suggestions and Requests

The accommodation of the rabbit judges is discussed thoroughly.

Peter Iseli introduces die Kaninchenwelt. He distributes copies in German and French. Peter thanks for the pleasant cooperation across the borders.

20. Any Other Business

Erwin Leowsky thanks all for the very good and pleasant meeting and looks forward to a good cooperation across the borders.

End of the meeting; 11.40am

Metz, 21. Juni 2015

Secretary


Markus Vogel