

Nordic Wheaten Breeders' Conference

Scandic Ariadne in Stockholm, Nov 30–Dec 01

Saturday

9:00–9:30 Coffee

9:30 Welcome, practical issues, short presentations of each participant.

10:15–11:30 Aya Lundsten (Kennel Geijes): lecture on microphthalmia and the DNA markers.

11:30–12:00 Hilde Nybom (Kennel Lakkas): other DNA markers of interest for wheaten breeders, ability to detect affected dogs and carriers, and impact on breeding population.

12:00–13:00 Lunch

13:00–14:00 Erling Strandberg (professor at Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, expert at Swedish Kennel Club, SKK): lecture on heritability of hip dysplasia (HD) and the use of HD index.

14:00–15:00 Erling Strandberg: lecture on mentality breed profile and heritability, based on the first 200 wheatens that have undergone BPH (mentality testing) in Sweden.

15:00–15:30 Discussion about mentality testing in all Nordic countries.

15:30–16:00 Coffee

16:00–17:00 Anne Skodborg (Kennel Gaelic-Wheaten's): presentation of Danish wheaten breeding including follow-up questions and discussion.

17:00–18:00 Anu Hujala (Kennel Cara Fionn) and Satu Weckman (Kennel Hellevillan): presentation of Finnish wheaten breeding including follow-up questions and discussion.

19:00 Dinner

Sunday

9:00–10:00 Heidi Graesman och Janicke Sotnak (Kennel Wheatenhamran): presentation of Norwegian wheaten breeding including follow-up questions and discussion.

10:00–11:00 Hilde Nybom (Kennel Lakkas): presentation of Swedish wheaten breeding including follow-up questions and discussion.

11:00–11:30 Coffee

11:30–12:30 Short breed and breed club presentations by Hilda Björk Fridriksdóttir (Iceland), Claudia Crezee-Nigro (Netherlands) and Fredrike Kossack (Germany). Conclusions, future activities, information dissemination.

13:00 Lunch

