



## Notes

### 28<sup>th</sup> ISIC seminar

Salnö Gård, Vaddö, Sweden

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Our seminar started with a minute of silence for Susanne Schütte, Germany, who sadly left us recently and leaves an empty space among us. She gave a lot of time and knowledge to the Icelandic sheepdog cooperation and will be sorely missed.

We then continued with a short report from ISIC executive: All meetings were held over the internet, it has been hard to stay in contact with some clubs due to change of persons responsible in the clubs and lack of answers from Belgium, France, and the USA. (more about this in the notes from the chairmen group) It has been hard to solve and restore the problem of the ISIC webpage that was hijacked and all the content lost but now it is back again.

Short report from the breed committee: All clubs have got letters with suggestions to updating ISIC's international breeding recommendations (more about this in the notes from the breed group ) to be discussed during the seminar.

Short report from the data group: It was hard work to fix the new webpage after it was "hijacked" and everything disappeared as mentioned before. We had to change to a new and more safe company and change domain as well. The ISIC database is now placed on servers in Denmark. A lot happens behind the scenes but if decisions are made during this seminar the data committee is ready to work and add new functions to the ISIC database.

The traditional toast followed and quick presentations and short highlights from the clubs present. The reports will be put on the webpage for all to take part of the information in detail.

Those present were: Jimmy Brastad Norway, Elin Brastad guest, Eli 'Tulla' Schmedling Norway, Wilma Roem ISIC Breeding Committee, Natasja Hagemeyer Holland, Carina Jöers Sweden, Ulrika Söderberg Sweden, May Britt Sannerholt ISIC Breeding Committee Elisabeth Morgan Brastad guest, Ingbritt Sannel ISIC executive, Svend Brandt ISIC executive, Hans-Åke Sperne guest and chairman for the seminar, Marika Rajala Finland, Stefania Sigurðardóttir Iceland, Helga Andrésdóttir Iceland, Guðríður Þ. Valgeirsdóttir (Gauja) Lene Hyltdgaard Knutsen Charlotte Kemp Møller Denmark, Louise Roer ISIC breed,

Bergrós Gísladóttir guest, Liselotte Ekberg guest

Iceland reported a positive trend, good health, and normal number of puppies. The Netherlands had a good year with gatherings that are popular among the

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members, but some problems to find enough people to work for the club, Finland had a good year emphasising herding but fewer litters, Denmark has managed to get the new board working, great success when hosting the show, herding will happen again. Sweden wants to use more males, they see more of cataract, more interest in BPH and more dogs are tested in herding. Norway reports an increase in puppies and decrease in inbreeding, more C hips less D and E. In Norway herding is not possible due to the animal welfare authorities.

The seminar split up in chairmen and breeding groups and the discussions started.

We also had a very interesting lecture "Genetic diversity- is that important?" by Elisabeth Rhodin. Hopefully the content will be presented and made available for all clubs.

Here follows the notes from the Chairmen group.

### **To be discussed and decided in the Chairman meeting (RoP §7)**

#### *1. Approval of the register of participants*

Present were Stefanía Sigurðardóttir Iceland, Charlotte Kemp Møller Denmark, Carina Jöers Sweden, Marika Rajala Finland, Jimmy Brastad Norway and Natasja Hagemeyer The Netherlands

#### *2. Presentation of ISIC/exec's activity report including balance sheet and profit and loss account for the previous year (2022) (See enclosed to notes)*

The financial report was presented. (We have about 800 euro plus at the moment) but 2022 ended with a minus result of 80 euro. Decided: The loss will be transferred to the account for next year.

The difference between money in the ISIC fund and the ordinary ISIC account was discussed. The fund money is to be used to help pay for lectures or other activities in order to promote knowledge of the breed.

The ISIC executive has tried but not managed to get in contact with France, Belgium and the USA and ask them how they look at the responsibilities that follows from being a member. France and Belgium are breed clubs under the bigger clubs for spitz dogs. We will write to those organisations and send copies to the breed clubs.

Information from ISIC/Exec is sent only to the chairman in each club, and the chairman is responsible for informing the board in each country and they in turn should inform the club members. In order for this to work it is essential that the ISIC/Exec have the correct email addresses. It is recommended that each country use addresses such as, [ordforande@islandshunden.se](mailto:ordforande@islandshunden.se), because that works regardless of the person who is chairman at a given time.

*3. Presentation of the auditor's report*

Last year we were not able to show an auditor report. The chairmen decided to ask if Bertil Sannel can be our auditor. We had contact and he has read the financial report for 2022 and we now have a signed audit report to add to the notes. (See attached report).

*4. The approval of the documents mentioned in item 2 and 3 in this list, as well as actions of ISIC and ISIC/Executive committee are not subject to personal liability.*

The chairmen approved of the documents mentioned in item 2 and 3 in this list, as well as that the actions of ISIC and ISIC/Executive committee are not subject to personal liability.

*5. Presentation of an updated profit and loss account for the current year (2023)*

See attached presentation.

*6. Decision upon the contributions to be paid the following year.*

As for the yearly contributions they were enough for 2022 but we do not know about expenses for the coming years. Decision: ISIC will use the same method to calculate the contributions as last year and if changes are needed it will be discussed on 27<sup>th</sup> January 2024 during a new meeting. It is probably not possible to get any fees from Belgium at the moment.

*7. The appointment of a person to be one out of the three members of ISIC/exec for three years*

Decision: Ingbritt Sannel

*8. The appointment of participants for subcommittees*

Guðni Ágústsson and Jimmy Brastad were appointed for the data committee but at least one more member is asked for.

A suggestion to find new persons for the committees was raised and we are now asking for names from the clubs to send "apprentices" for the executive, data and breed committees. Clubs must send names of suggested persons **before 9<sup>th</sup> December 2024** and decision will be made **27<sup>th</sup> January 2024**.

No decision /appointment was made for the breed committee during the chairmen meeting and will be discussed next meeting. The breeding committee will continue unchanged until then.

As mentioned, the topic of participants in ISIC's committees (executive, breed, data...) will be dealt with in more detail at the upcoming meeting.

A newsletter with agenda and name suggestions for that meeting will be sent December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023. These persons "apprentices" should be appointed and will then take part in the digital meeting with the ISIC/Exec, Breed and Data committees because we need to prepare for the future. And we need people with a burning

interest, breed knowledge and time to spend on this. ISIC/Exec will also send out reminders to the clubs to suggest new members some 6 months before next annual meeting and also ask committee members who wish to resign to do so 3 months before the annual meeting.

*9. Appointment of an auditor for three years.*

Bertil Sannel (accepted to do it for 1 year)

*10. Overhaul of the ISIC RoP 7- suggestion from ISIC/Exec:*

Decision: The text in RoP §7: "The chairmen decide in consensus." is changed to "The chairmen aim for decisions to be made in consensus but in case it is not possible to find agreement, decisions are made with the approval of at least 2/3 of the participating chairmen of the clubs."

*11. Coming seminars*

Decision: The seminar 2024 will be held in Denmark (and to be decided later, hopefully 2025 Norway and 2026 Iceland)

*12. The web page – status and opportunities to make it more interesting*

The webmasters, Natasja Hagemeyer and Jimmy Brastad are planning to make improvements now that we have changed web hotel and domain.

We now have a new web hotel that is as safe as can be found and the webmasters are ready to make the webpage more interesting and they would like to hear from the clubs to find out what they like. The webmasters are asking for pictures to use on the webpage. Please send pictures and the name of the dogs to [webmaster@isic.org](mailto:webmaster@isic.org) but remember that you can only send pictures you own the copyright to or have permission to send and remember - no watermarks etc.

**Before the chairmen continued to make decisions on their own both chairmen and breeding groups met and discussed.**

MayBritt Sannerholt from ISIC breeding committee started by saying that all countries must work to go forward and improve the data and make it as good as possible and to go back to "the founders". Denmark commented on the fact that Dogs Global charges for its services even if it is not a high price, still it is commercial and ISIC database is not. Norway explained why they do not trust Dogs Global. Dogs global is closed, it is not possible to check the data. When the ISIC database was sent to Dogs global some 800 dogs were removed and 1200 entered, according to Pieter Oliehoek. What dogs? On what grounds? There is a lack of trust. Natasja said there has been a lack of communication on behalf of ISIC toward Dogs Global. Stefania from Iceland asks how it is possible that Dogs Global contains Icelandic dogs when no data has been transferred since 2020. And the contract clearly stipulates that the data first is entered in the ISIC database and then to Dogs Global? This discussion continued later on point 14 a. Louise Roer from the

breeding group suggested that the breeding group make a wishlist of all the things breeders need from a good database. Good tools are needed.

### **After that the chairmen continued in the Chairmen group**

#### *13 a. ISIC Database – status*

The database is now safely placed on servers in Denmark. At the moment the fee for that is paid by Jörgen Metzdorf but ISIC cannot expect him to go on doing this for ever so in the future, this will be an expense for ISIC. This will be discussed further next meeting. It is possible to add new functions to the database. The data committee awaits decisions from the chairmen meeting and can then start working. Many wishes on the “wish list” are already found on the ISIC database and more can be added. Discussion about who owns the data continued. Can anyone use the ISIC database freely? Are the data in the ISIC database protected by copyright? And what about data presented in for example NKK? Can that data be used by others? Yes, but not for commercial use. More discussion needed before any decision on how ISIC will act on this.

b. *ISIC database (created by Guðni Ágústsson) and Dogs Global in the future?* The cooperation between Dogs Global and ISIC was started 2019 and a written contract was signed but it has not been followed. ISIC sent data as agreed and paid the sum asked for to enter DG but was later asked for more money which ISIC did not pay. These things have been discussed during the Lillehammer and Helsinki meetings. A lot of people as well as the clubs received a letter from Pieter Oliehoek stating that he wished to end the contract but was willing to continue the cooperation under certain conditions. ISIC executive only answered that the matter was to be discussed at the seminar. Denmark sent a written answer, but ISIC has seen no other response to this letter.

During the seminar the chairmen discussed the letter and many other questions concerning this matter and then came to a conclusion. Iceland, Denmark, Norway, and Finland declared that there was a lack of trust in Dogs Global because of the problems with sending data according to the contract and because of the fact that there are dogs in the DG data that are called founders who cannot be true founders, many dogs entered in the DG database and not first registered in the ISIC database and they did not want to continue with Dogs Global. The chairman from the Netherlands, Natasja Hagemeyer declared that her club wish to continue to use Dogs Global and that she considered Dogs Global data almost correct today.

**Decision:** ISIC will continue to develop the ISIC database as is written in the Rules of procedures. A lot of work has already been done and more to come. The data committee will work according to the wishes from the breed committee. Clubs or countries who wish to use Dogs Global can do so but they are expected to update the ISIC database as usual as it is written in the Rules of Procedures.



*14. Ideas, suggestions, and opinions for the future work in ISIC in general.*

ISIC will be more active and visible, we will use Teams and hold webinars starting with the extra meeting for Chairmen 27th January 2024 at 13.00, and then a webinar in late March, late May, and then late August so that we are well prepared for the meeting in real life in Denmark late October.

*15. Presentation of ISIC/exec planned activities for the next year and a cost estimate for these activities (budget) (2024)*

Will be discussed next meeting.

The seminar ended in good spirits with ideas on how to make ISIC even better and make money and invite people to take a more active part as ISIC will create webseminars on many topics in the future, like herding, breeding, mentality etc.



### Financial report 2022 (01 January until 31 December)

Amounts are in DKK / Danish Kroner and Euro (€) for easier reading; 1,00 EUR ≈ 7,46 DKK

Income	DKK	≈ €
ISIC		
Club subscriptions 1)	23.586,76	(3185,60 €)
ISIC/F		
Products, sale	00,00	( 00,00 €)
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Income 2022	23.586,76	(3161,76 €)
<b>Expenses</b>		
ISIC/Exec,seminar, Note 2)	17.869,56	(2395,39 €)
Lecture seminar 2022	3730,63	( 500,00 €)
Web page domain	250,00	( 33,51 €)
Web page hosting	1.336,50	( 179,16 €)
Bank charges	1.375,00	( 184,32 €)
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Expenses 2022	24.561,69	( 3292,38 €)
Income 2022	23.586,76	( 3161,76 €)
Expenses 2022	24.561,69	( 3292,38 €)
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Total result 2022	-974,93	( -130,62 €)

### Income

Note 1)

Club contributions	DKK	€
Iceland	3.291,53	( 443,60 €)
Denmark	5.428,55	( 731,60 €)
Sweden	2.276,66	( 306,80 €)
Norway	2.684,75	( 362,00 €)
Finland	2.960,63	( 399,20 €)
USA	2.077,85	( 285,20 €)
Germany	370,99	( 50,00 €)
Netherland	2.650,66	( 357,20 €)
Belgium	00,00	( 00,00 €)
France	370,99	( 50,00 €)
Switzerland (2021 + 22)	731,92	( 100,00 €)
Austria (2021 + 2022)	742,23	( 100,00 €)

Total	23.586,76	(3.185,60 €)
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Note 2)	DKK	€
ISIC/Exec. travel expenses and Accommodation seminar 2021	3.266,00	(437,80 €)
ISIC/Exec travel expenses seminar 2022	7.322,26	(981,54 €)
ISIC/Exec accommodation seminar 2022	7.281,30	(976,05 €)
<b>Total</b>	<b>17.869,56</b>	<b>(2.395,39 €)</b>

### Balance 31.12.2022

	Assets	Liabilities
	DKK	DKK
ISIC bank account 01.01.2022	105.973,97 DKK	
ISIC bank account 31.12.2022		104.999,04 DKK
Total result 2022	- 974,93 DKK	
<b>Balance</b>	<b>104.999,04 DKK</b>	<b>104.999,04 DKK</b>

### Auditors report

#### Approval of ISIC's Annual Financial Report for the Year 2022

I hereby confirm that I have read the annual financial report for the year 2022 (3 pages) from the ISIC treasurer, and that I certainly accept it.

October 27<sup>th</sup> 2023

*Bertil Sannel*  
Auditor





## Budget 2024

Will also be discussed next meeting.

### Club Subscriptions 2024 in € (≈ DKK)

Iceland	249 €	(1.858 DKK)
Norway	376 €	(2.805 DKK)
Sweden	348 €	(2.597 DKK)
Finland	399 €	(2.978 DKK)
Denmark	812 €	(6.057 DKK)
Germany	50 €	( 373 DKK)
Netherlands	356 €	(2.656 DKK)
Belgium	50 €	( 373 DKK)
France	50 €	( 373 DKK)
Switzerland	50 €	( 373 DKK)
Austria	50 €	( 373 DKK)
USA	285 €	(2.127 DKK)

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Total	3.075 €	≈ (22.974 DKK)
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### Predicted income 2024

Club Subscriptions 2024	3.075 €	≈ (22.974 DKK)
ISIC/F sale	0 €	≈ ( 0 DKK)

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Total	3.075 €	≈ (22.974 DKK)
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### Predicted expenses 2024

ISIC/exec expenses seminar	2.000 €	(14.920 DKK)
Other Seminar expenses	200 €	( 1.492 DKK)
Webpage hosting	300 €	( 2.238 DKK)
Bank charges	200 €	( 1.492 DKK)
ISIC/F	0 €	( 0 DKK)

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Total	2.700 €	(20.142 DKK)
Income 2024	3.075 €	(22.974 DKK)
Expenses 2024	2.700 €	(20.142 DKK)

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Total (Profit)	+ 375 €	(+ 2.832 DKK)
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1 € ≈ 7,46 DKK

The amount in Danish kroner (DKK) is rounded down and up