



January 2016 NEWSLETTER

The EHRC Committee and I wish you and your Associations a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

2014 EHRC Conference and General Assembly in Gijon, Spain

At the 2014 EHRC Conference and General Assembly in Gijon, Spain, the EHRC member Countries elected a new EHRC Committee, comprising of Keld Christensen (Denmark), Denis Bieri (France), Laszlo Bogнар (Hungary), Egbert Feddersen (Germany), Sofia Alday (Spain), Anna Siekierska (Poland), Giorgio Burchiellaro (Italy), Jos Buiting (Netherlands) and Michael Parkinson (UK) to sit on the EHRC Committee. Due to a personnel change Michael has left Holstein UK, however Holstein UK have a new CEO, Richard Jones who has taken his place on the EHRC Committee. The Committee welcomed Richard to their group and look forward to working with him. The EHRC Committee thanks Michael for all his work on the WHFF Type Harmonization Working group and when sitting on the EHRC Committee.

Joseph Crettenand (Switzerland) retired from the EHRC Committee and as chairman of the EHRC European Championship working group at the 2014 EHRC Conference. Joseph was instrumental in organizing the successful 2013 European Championship Show in Fribourg/CH. The EHRC Committee thanks Joseph for all his hard work over many years' service to EHRC.

The Conference Terms of Reference has been updated and placed on the EHRC website under a new section in Documents. This will give direction to any countries that wish to consider hosting the EHRC conference.

The EHRC Committee has held two meetings in 2015 - Bologna, Italy in January and Paris, France in November. Many thanks to both Associations for hosting two very useful meetings.

Committee Topics discussed include the European Championship, the next EHRC



Conference and General Assembly, Secretaries meeting, EU Breeding regulations, the Judges

Panel, updating all Terms of Reference, ICAR and WHFF.

EHRC European Championship Working Group under the Chairmanship of Laszlo Bogнар (Hungary) met twice in 2015 in preparation for the 2016 European Show.

The group has welcomed the advice from Pascal Monteleone who organised the last show in Fribourg, Switzerland.

A new European Showing Terms of Reference is being produced, and will be available soon on the EHRC website.

The EHRC Judges Panel Working Group has had a very productive year. We have had three meetings under the Chairmanship of Keld Christensen (Denmark).

EHRC Judging Terms of Reference (TOR) have been re-written into one document, incorporating TOR for the Working Group, the Judges Panel, the Harmonisation and Judges Panel Workshop and the Judging School. These TOR may be found on the EHRC website under a new section in 'Documents'.

Following the November EHRC committee meeting in Paris it was announced that the Chairman, Keld Christensen is to step down from the WG and from the EHRC Committee at the end of March 2016 when he retires from Danish

Holstein Association. Egbert Feddersen (Germany) was elected by the EHRC Committee to replace Keld. It was also decided that a new member, Soren Christensen (Denmark) was to join the committee to replace John Gribbon (UK) who is also retiring from the WG. The EHRC Committee would like to thank John and Keld for the hard work and time they have given to EHRC and to the Judges Panel WG over the past years.

Participants at the 2015 Harmonisation and Judges Panel Workshop



The Hungarian Breed Association organised an amazing Judging Panel and Harmonisation workshop in early September. It had record attendance and was organised exceptionally well. Four new judges came onto the panel – Martine Lambert (Belgium), Gary Hurley (Ireland), Lambert Weinberg (Germany) and Mark Nutsford (UK). Congratulations to them and to all successful participants at the workshop. A full report is available on the EHRC website.

The 2015 Judges Panel is available on the EHRC website for downloading. If you have difficulty contacting any judge, please contact EHRC for further help.

2016 Planned Events

30th March to 3rd April 2016

The WHFF Conference in Argentina is nearly upon us and I hope to meet many of you there.



Let's Imagine the Future

The conference will be preceded by a WHFF World classification Workshop.

In accordance with the EHRC Constitution section 4.3., at the last meeting, the EHRC

Committee discussed and proposed the committee members from France, Italy, Germany, Hungary, Netherlands and to be nominated from EHRC Committee onto the WHFF Council. This will be ratified at the WHFF General Assembly in March.

All details are available on the WHFF web site.

17th to 19th June 2016.

This year in June, we have the European Championship Show in Colmar, France.

The French Organising Committee are keeping an eye on the Bluetongue situation in Northern Europe, and Denis Bieri (France) will be updating you all nearer to the Show on the situation in France. Please see the EHRC web site for all the Colmar Show information.

A half day Secretaries Meeting is planned for the 17th of June. Placing it at the European Show was decided as it would reduce travel and time costs to all organisations. **Please can you all communicate any topics that you would like covered at this meeting to the EHRC office as soon as possible.**



The 2017 EHRC Conference and General Assembly will be held in Hungary – watch out for more details on the EHRC website.

The focus of this Newsletter is to communicate to all EHRC members all aspects of the events and running of EHRC. So please do let EHRC know any items you would like shared, and any topics you would like highlighted. The frequency of the Newsletter will depend upon the contributions the Secretary General receives.

Best wishes Suzanne (Secretary General)