



Annual report 2020

From May 2020 the board have had 11 meetings, all digital. The general assembly was held via e-mail because there was no ordinary meeting due to covid-19. Jan Verbeeck (Belgium) and Jochen Noesinger (Germany) were reelected board members. Jenny Wright Johnsen (Norge) was reelected president. The minutes from the GA is available on our webpage www.fjordhorseinternational.org

Our most important topics through the year have been:

The many cancelled events due to covid-19:

Cancelled European Championships and international judge conference.

Unfortunately the EC in Denmark, scheduled in August 2020, had to be cancelled, as well as the international judge conference.

Nordic championships

The Swedish hosts of the Nordic championships and the board of FHI decided to cancel the Nordic championships of 2021, due to the unpredictable situation with covid-19. We feel sad about cancelling another big event and feel utterly sorry for the talented riders and drivers with fit horses, ready to compete. However, we do not see the event happening in a responsible manner.

In the board:

Digital tour the world!

There are many fjord horse friends around the world and the board of FHI have through board meetings 2020/2021 talked with some of the fjord horse organization representatives. It has been great to learn to know more about the population, the people, and the breeding. We have talked with France, Switzerland, Sweden, Germany, England, and Hungary. There are more countries to go before we have toured the whole world. The goal is to learn to know our members better and for them to give us feedback, so we work closely together now and for the future.

Webpage:

The webpage still needs a lot of work and we thank Sander Willems for his work with this.

Inbreeding:

FHI receives inquiries about inbreeding and how to manage for as little inbreeding as possible. Also, some wish for FHI to take a leading part in this work. However, FHI has no authority to survey or control the inbreeding development, but we see that there is a constant demand for information and advice, and we wish to contribute. Together with the Agricultural university of Norway (NMBU) we published a note that can be used as guidelines for inbreeding and registration. Look to our webpage for more information.

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Jenny Wright Johnsen

President Fjord Horse International