

# Meeting in the IEOC-Scandinavia during the Malmö CIC\*\*\* 2004

During the Malmö City International Horse Trials CIC\*\*\* World Cup the Scandinavian group of the International Eventing Officials Club had a meeting on Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup> of August. The chairman of the Swedish Eventing Committee, Lars Gällerdal, attended the meeting.

Present:

Sylvia Svensson, GJ, Sweden

Gunnel Pott, GJ, Sweden

Roger Edberg, CD/TD, Sweden

Hans Viebke, GJ, Sweden

Martin Möllgaard, national CD/TD, Sweden

Anton Granhus CD/TD, Norway

Søren Cederqvist, TD/CD, Sweden

Mats Andersson, TD/CD, Sweden

Lars-Erik Gällerdal, chairman of the Swedish Eventing Committee

Peder Rosted, TD, Denmark

Anne-Mette Binder, GJ, Denmark (secretary)

Apologies from:

Björn Kastenmann, TD/CD, Sweden

The following issues were discussed:

## 1. News from the IEOC

The first electronic IEOC-Newsletter was sent out in May. Next edition will follow at the end of the season. Members are asked to contribute with articles sent to Jean Mitchell or Anne-Mette Binder. Is available on the IEOC website ([www.i-eoc.org](http://www.i-eoc.org)).

## 2. New dressage tests 2005

Christoph Hess and Chris Bartle have designed 8 new 2005 dressage tests for eventing. There will be an „A“ and „B“ version at all four levels. And the „B“ version will be the more difficult. The existing four star test will become the "A" version where the walk movement has been shortened. The new test will become the "B" version. This test will be the most 'advanced' test - at "Olympic Level". IEOC-members, ERA and the FEI Dressage Committee have had the opportunity to comment on the proposals, which were discussed and worked into the programmes at the CIC-W\*\*\* Luhmühlen in June. Only the one star tests will be ridden with **no** salute at the beginning. Some of the changes involve more collected movements, which will be asked for from to star level, half turn about the haunches on two star-level, four flying changes at four star level, separation of marks for the medium and extended walk in some tests.

Christoph Hess and Chris Bartle expect the whole project to be finished in the late summer or autumn. The tests will then be available on the IEOC website. However, if you would like to receive copies now, then please contact the Secretary General of the IEOC – Jean Mitchell at:

[jeans.mitchell@virgin.net](mailto:jeans.mitchell@virgin.net)

### **3. Scandinavian opinions on “CCI:s with and without Phase B”**

Having seen the comments from Lexington the IEOC Scandinavia finds it too early to conclude on the new concept. Various themes – such as the capability of the riders, standard of the horses etc. - have to be brought into the discussion too, when the two types of competitions at the same event is compared. Also very important is the veterinary aspect on an academic level (tests etc.). The IEOC Scandinavia had the idea, that the short format concept could have a Phase A, especially on the lower levels to encourage young/not so experienced riders to warm their horses up properly. It is also essential to have a good and big enough warm up area for canter as preparation for Phase D.

### **4. Experiences from FEI Courses 2003/2004**

Scandinavian officials having attended the FEI Courses in Punchestown (2003) and Bialy Bor (2004) were satisfied and pleased with the courses. The IEOC Scandinavia feels, that the concept and structure could be more similar from course to course. This could be ensured by developing education material and structure of the courses as a basic for all instructors. The material could for example consist of copies/overheads/Power Points. Each instructor could add their own personal ideas etc. The IOEC could be a part of a working group to develop a concept. The Swedish Eventing Committee might host a FEI Course in 2005.

### **5. News from the members**

Roger Edberg reported from the top official seminar in Pratoni. A very good and interesting forum. Many important aspects were discussed on the seminar. Roger Edberg had after the seminar contacted some members of IEOC Scandinavia and “Federations” to have comments on a proposal concerning number of efforts per minute on CIC:s and CCI:s. It looks like if the result of these world wide discussions will be that the maximum distances of Phase D in CIC:s will be shortened and number of efforts will not be changed. IEOC Scandinavia is very much supporting this idea if it will be suggested by FEI

At the 2003-meeting the IEOC Scandinavia decided to work for a closer contact between the countries in order to ensure the development of the sport within the region.

The Scandinavian group suggested to the NF's in 2003 development on the following areas:

- on the committee-level
- on the level of education of eventing officials
- on the level of CD's concerning sharing experiences
- on the level of educating riders

The idea that NF's should invite TD/CD and GJ's from all Scandinavian countries to their national seminars 2003/2004 was followed by the national committees. The experiences were very good, and Lars Gällerdal felt that the closer Scandinavian contact could be developed even more to include also the OC-level. This could be a benefit on the technical but also the social side.

## **6. IEOC Membership 2004**

Having received the list of members having paid the 2004-fee from Jean Mitchell it was clear, that only few of Scandinavian FEI-officials were actually members of the IEOC. Due to misunderstanding concerning the bank account number some members thought, they had already paid. Anne-Mette Binder left it to every Scandinavian FEI-official to decide, if they found it important to be a member of the IEOC. However, it is essential to indicate a Scandinavian interest to be able to continue to be part of the development and discussions within the sport on an international level.

Membership forms 2004 were passed round at the meeting and can also be found on the website ([www.i.eoc.org](http://www.i.eoc.org)).

cc:

Eventing Committees in Sweden, Norway, Finland and Denmark.