

Report of the Delegates-meeting 2017

Friday 30 June, 10h00

CERM, 65Martigny - SWITZERLAND

1. Greeting and counting of the delegates.

The President, Ruedi Thomann welcomes all delegates. 50 years of WUSB!!!

The person who knows the most about the WUSB is present today and we would like him to talk about this. Wolfgang Ketzler was surprised: "Unfortunately, I could prepare nothing because nobody has said me something before."

Wolfgang explains that the World Union of St. Bernard Clubs was founded in 1967. Originally there were 6 countries that wanted to associate where judges could meet and discuss the breeds, and where clubs could develop friendships. And this is what we see now: today there are 23 countries from various continents participating as members in the WUSB.

2. Welcome from the President of the Swiss St. Bernard Club.

Reto Wiederkehr is pleased with the large number of St. Bernard friends that are in Martigny to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the WUSB. This WUSB weekend was a big event to organize, especially given the anniversary year.

3. Information by the Swiss St. Bernard Club about WUSB 2017.

Reto explains that the Swiss club is honoured to have the anniversary WUSB edition in Switzerland.

A record breaking 273 dogs are entering the show. He informs the delegates that all appointments are in the CERM, the exhibition hall of Martigny.

4. Presentation and Information by the Italian Club about WUSB 2018.

Delegates from Italy present a Powerpoint with more information about the WUSB event next year, and its location. WUSB 2018 takes place in Rome, the weekend of the 31st of May to the 2nd of June 2018 in "Parc de Villa Borghese". It is an ideal central location for hotels etc.

Annegret Splinter has some questions about the weather that time of the year, the possibility for hotels that accept dogs, possible camping places nearby the showground? Mrs. Splinter asks if it is possible to change the date, because of the warm weather that time of the year.

Paul Bodeving informs that he wants to go to Rome, but wouldn't bring dogs. Mr. Bodeving asks if it is possible to change the place of the show to a cooler place nearby?

Ruedi Thomann explains that this is a decision of the Italian Club, they have now heard that there are doubts and requests.

Kari Augestad defends the delegates of the Italian Club. Kari claims we have accepted their offer last year and now we can't decline it anymore.

Election of the judges for Italy 2018

Delegiertenversammlung 2017	Richterwahl für 2018	Stimmzahl	2. Abst.
Club Francais du Saint Bernard (Frankreich)	Didier Basset	29	
Österreichischer Klub für St. Bernhardshunde (Österreich)	Uschi Eisner	24	
Belgische Sint-Bernardclub (Belgien)	Rita Breesch	21	
Club Espanol del Perro de San Bernardo (Spanien)	Antonio Alenda	20	
Klub chovatelu svatobernardskych psu (Tschechien)	Milan Plundra	19	
Bernhardiner-Club Deutschland e.V. (Deutschland 2)	Max Russ	18	
Saint Bernard Club of Transvaal (Südafrika)	Kevin Young	18	
St. Bernhards-Klub e. V. (Deutschland 1)	Andreas Fütterer	15	15
Saint Bernard Club of Ireland (Irland)	Ann Long Doyle	15	12
Saint Bernard Club of America (USA)	Paul Bodeving	15	8
Schweizerischer St. Bernhards-Club (Schweiz)	Isabel Thevenon-Whir	13	

English St. Bernard Club (Großbritannien)	Maureen Gwilliam	10	
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5. The protocol of the delegates meeting in Maia/Portugal is accepted with applause.
6. News of the Board.
 The President asks to make a little change in the schedule. The treasurer, Reto, will tell us more about the funds, while he has to go back to the showground.
 After a short explanation the meeting gives approval with applause.
 As we did discussed last year in Portugal to double the fee for the Swiss club to organize the WUSB anniversary, we have to make a decision today.
 Paul Bodeving asks if the Club needs the money even though so many dogs are entering.
 Kari Augestad joins Mr. Bodeving's question.
 Reto Wiederkehr says so far this is not known and when the club doesn't need it, then they won't accept it.
 The delegates agree with applause.
 The year report of the President is published on the website.
 A long discussion starts about the breed and the functionality, also about the deviations in the type of Longhair and Shorthair. Heinz Linzer asks if it is possible to make 2 separate breeds. But the delegates don't agree on that point.
 Wolfgang Ketzler has a question: 'How is it with the statutes?'. Jean Prim is still working on it, we expect to be able to send them to all member countries, so we can vote about it next year in Italy.
7. Discharge of the board with applause.
8. Reports and news of the member-countries.
 France: Christian Tessier is President of Honour of the French Saint Bernard Club and Didier Basset is President of the Club
 Danmark: Ane Christiansen informs that the Danish Club has been invited to the Swiss Embassy. For 3 days they have been at the Embassy with 2 dogs.
 South Africa: Kevin Young
 USA: Paul Bodeving – He believes that the Canadian St. Bernard Club should be invited to become a member of the WUSB.
 Ann De Laet presents the new website.
9. Information of the Board.
 The WUSB board has had 2 meetings since June 2016. We have tried to come together in combination with other opportunities, to avoid unnecessary travel expenses.
 Ruedi Thomann excuses himself for the problems this year with the protocols. He makes the promise that this year's protocols will be published by the end of September.
10. Varia.
 No further points.

President Ruedi Thomann thanks the delegates for their presence and wishes everybody a nice WUSB weekend.

Ruedi Thomann
President

Ane Christiansen
1st Secretary

Translation Ann De Laet
Secretary