

2017 Reports

President's Report

For the CIHF the year 2017 was a year much like life, with ups and downs. There was an exciting breed evaluation in the summer. There is a new education program being laid out by the Education committee with the education material being provided by Holar. Various discussions were had with CLRC regarding a better line of communication between our registrar for World Fengur and CLRC, which were fruitful. However, the updating of the registration form is still a work in progress. The Federation also lost the liability insurance coverage it was able to provide to members as the policy provided by Capri insurance lost its underwriter, Loyds of London, thus discontinuing the policy. The policy could not be replaced and CIHF members will now need to become members of their provincial horse councils which will give them a similar insurance coverage as they had with the CIHF.

Lauren, our treasurer, and Gwen, our secretary are both stepping down from their position at this time. I want to thank both of them for all the hard work they have put in and wish them all the best in their future endeavours. I also want to thank Vicky, Arnold, Maria and Nathaly for all their hard work on the board of the CIHF to help promote the breed.

The CIHF is an organization that continues to thirst for more involvement from members and for more people with Icelandic horses to support the organization by becoming members. The organization is very important in its role to keep the Icelandic horse in the public eye in Canada and to facilitate and coordinate breed standard improvements through international organizations such as World Fengur as well as evaluation shows. It also is instrumental in education for local Icelandic horse enthusiasts, by sourcing education material and connecting judges and clinicians coming from Iceland and other European countries, with Icelandic horse owners in Canada.

Sincerely Yours: Arie Delint

Secretary's Report

It has been a particularly busy year with not only preparing minutes and agendas but also following up on events and developments. I assisted other Board Members with various projects they were participating in by either editing or developing forms and certificates, including:

- Youth Riding Program
- Registration Form, *still waiting approval by the CLRC*
- Sports Judge Certificate
- World Championship Application Form
- Creating a budget proposal, *still in the works*
- CIHF t-shirt, *still in the works*

It has been a pleasure meeting other fellow Icelandic horse enthusiasts and participating on the Board.

Regards,

Gwen Edwards, Secretary

Multi-Media Committee Report

I have enjoyed the opportunity to further develop the CIHF website and posting all fabulous images captured by our Members. My objective for the website was to showcase the many attributes of the federation and the diversity of the Icelandic horse in Canada.

Regards,

Gwen Edwards, Multi-Media Chair

Sports Report

In May 2017, the Canadian Icelandic Horse Federation Sports Committee brought Petur Jokul, International Sports Judge from Iceland, to Fitjamyri Icelandic horse farm to conduct a judging clinic for existing Canadian sport judges to renew their judgeship and to provide instruction and testing for new judges wanting to become Canadian sport judges.

To that end, four Canadian judges renewed their Canadian judgeship designation and six participants passed the test and requirements for sport judge in Canada.

Maria Badyk, Sports Chair

Breed Report

In 2017 we had a successful breed evaluation for full evaluation, conformation only and young horse evaluation.

24 horses took part, 18 horses for full evaluation and 6 horses for conformation only, 8 horses received first price for conformation and 15 horses received second price overall what is a very good result.

I attended the Feif breed leader clinic in Reykjavik in December and must emphasise how important it is to get the horses evaluated and how great a tool we have in World Fengur and it is free to our members.

Arnold Faber breed leader CIHF

Education Report

In April 2017 Sarah Lefebvre attended for Canada the breeding horse trainer seminar in Hella Iceland for young trainers.

There will be another seminar in 2018 consisting out of two parts

Part one will be for trainers under 30 years of age who plan to ride on breeding shows.

Part two is for trainers that already attended part one. There are 3 places available.

In May 2017 we organized an intern sport judge clinic with Petur Jokull Haukonarsson for renewal of licences and new judges. Including the renewals there were 11 participants and most past the test.

We are working to start the Riding Badge program known as knapamerki. There are 5 levels. Currently level 1,2 and 3 are available in English Knapamerki is a program developed by Holar University in Iceland to build and develop theoretical and practical knowledge of the Icelandic horse riders.

Arnold Faber Education Leader CIHF

Youth Committee

Here's a short report for year 2017 for CIHF Youth committee.

Well it has been a slow year for youth riding for 2017. We are still struggling with the lack of youth throughout Canada who would like to participate in Sport competitions, youth cup, youth international camps, or CIHF youth riding program. There is however 1 youth who is now interested in participating in the WC and we will provide membership with more info on that in the next few weeks.

Otherwise, I am still waiting for people to volunteer on this committee and help with recruiting youth in Canada. Members do not have to be part of the CIHF board to participate in the youth committee. I look forward to 2018 and I am hopeful that we will see more youth participation in the near future.

Sincerely yours,

Nathaly Jones, CIHF Youth Committee Chair