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Minutes of the judges meeting 16th May 2025, Němčice, CZ

Judges: Nina Dolinsek (SI), Celine Botussi (F), Antonio Alenda (E), Kari Augestad (E), Bent Brohus Christiansen (DK), Ane Christiansen (DK), Didier Basset (F), Annegret Splinter (D1), Ezequiel Medina (E), Martina Ellerova (SK), Johannes Mayer (D1), Andreas Fütterer (D1), Hans Wiebauer (D1), Peter Wiebauer (D1), Erwin Brummel (D1), Kevin Young (ZA), Milan Plundra (CZ), Martin Manak (CZ), Martina Kucerova (CZ), Vaclav Chovanec (CZ), Christine Rossier (CH), Bernard Leger (CH), Bob Sykora (USA),

Guests: Ellen Waßmann (D1), Andrej Djomins (LV), Benjamin Zgank (SI), Ann de Laet (B), Jan Bendl (CZ), Lubomír Šíroký (CZ), Reto Wiederkehr (CH)

Agenda

1. welcome
2. brief information about the WUSB Show 2025
3. minutes of the last judges' meeting
4. current information from the member countries
5. joint work on the standard
6. wishes for the next judges' meeting 2026
7. miscellaneous

TOP 1)

Didier Basset welcomes all judges and guests at 9.30 a.m. and thanks them for travelling all this way. The judges' meeting is open to all show judges without delegation. In memory of Austin Long-Doyle, Didier Basset honors his life and work and all those present stand for a minute's silence.

TOP 2)

The President of the Czech Saint Bernard Club, Milan Plundra, welcomes all those present, especially the Chairman of the Czech Kennel Club, and provides information on the WUSB show on 17 May 2025. 144 dogs from 12 countries have been entered for the WUSB show. There are 127 entries for the club show. It will be judged in 2 rings.

TOP 3)

The minutes of the 2024 Judges' Meeting in Martigny are adopted unanimously. There are no comments.

TOP 4)

N: Kari, as delegate for Norway, reports that the club has started working for the St. Bernards again.



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D1: Ellen Waßmann reports that she has asked the VDH to pass on the WUSB guidelines for St. Bernard judges to all Group 2 judges. The guide was discussed at the judges' meeting at the StBK and is published on the club website.

TOP 5)

Didier Basset presents the fotos of the winners of the club winner shows of the member countries from last year as well as a film about the participation of a St Bernard in a water rescue competition.

As discussed at the last judges' meeting, an evaluation document in German, English and French was prepared for the joint work of the judges on the dog. Didier Basset proposes to use a shortened version of the document as the basis for a WUSB certificate that is recognized by all member countries. The judges are asked to check the translations and correct them where necessary.

Three language groups will be formed for the work on the dog. Three dogs will be presented that are not entered for the WUSB show. After the document has been revised, it will be made available to all member countries and judges. It should help to bring the basic idea of the Saint Bernard to a standardized level.

TOP 6)

Work on the judges' document and practical exercises are to be continued. A presentation by Andreas Fütterer and Johannes Mayer is being prepared for the judges' meeting on the WUSB in Germany.

TOP 7)

There are no further comments.

Didier Basset thanks all participants for the constructive discussion and closes the meeting.

Minutes: Ellen Waßmann

President: Didier Basset