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## Minutes of the FCI Obedience Commission Meeting 2008

**Time:** October 11<sup>th</sup> 2008

**Place:** The Dutch Kennelclub "Raad van Beheer", Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

### Agenda:

1. Opening of the meeting
2. Introduction of the delegates.
3. Approval of the agenda.
4. Minutes of the meeting in Turin 2007
5. Approval of the minutes by the FCI
6. Report from the World Winner competition in Stockholm 2008
7. WW Obedience 2009 in Slovakia
8. WW Obedience 2010 in Denmark
9. Election of the president and secretary for the years 2009 and 2010
10. Discussion on the proposals for the revision of the Obedience rules for 2011
11. Discussion on the international rules for an obedience class 1 and 2 for 2011.
12. Miscellaneous
13. Date and place for the next meeting
14. Closing of the meeting.

### Delegates present:

Johann Kurzbauer	Austria	chairman
Rudy Cattrysse	Belgium	
Joel Vanlerberghe	Belgium	
Carina Savander-Ranne	Finland	
Uwe Wehner	Germany	
Gianfranco Giraudi	Italy	
Ton Hoffmann	The Netherlands	
Johnny Halvorsrud	Norway	secretary
Inger Svedin	Sweden	
Pascale Lapeyre	France	
Erling Olsen	Denmark	
Jeannine Tschupp	Switzerland	

**1.**

**OPENING OF THE MEETING**

Mr. Johann Kurzbauer opened the meeting expressing his welcome to the delegates.

Ton Hoffman presented the organisation of the Dutch Kennel Club.

**2.**

**INTRODUCTION OF THE DELEGATES**

The attending delegates were introduced.

Apologies received from Ireland for not being able to attend the meeting.

Mr. Johann Kurzbauer acted chairman and Mr. Johnny Halvorsrud secretary of the meeting.

**3.**

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

The agenda was approved. No additional points were requested.

**4.**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING IN TURIN 2007**

The minutes from the Turin 2007 meeting was accepted.

**5.**

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES BY FCI**

The minutes from the Turin 2007 meeting was approved by FCI.

**6.**

**REPORT FROM THE WORLD WINNER COMPETITION IN STOCKHOLM 2008**

The championship was organized very well.

Team results:

1. Finland	882,33
2. Norway	860,33
3. Switzerland	840,50
4. Denmark	839,33
5. Sweden	835,83
6. Italy	831,33

Individual results:

1. Mads Møller, Denmark	304,00
2. Elina Niemi, Finland	299,33
3. Christa Enquist, Finland	295,00
4. Monica Reiersen, Norway	289,50
5. Lillemor Edstrøm, Sweden	288,50
6. Jessica Svanljung, Finland	288,00

**7.**

**WW OBEDIENCE 2009 IN SLOVAKIA**

The dates for the obedience WW championship in Bratislava, Slovakia is 8.-11. October 2009. Austria (Johann) will assist the organizing because of limited experience with this kind of competitions in Slovakia.

Johann was visiting Bratislava earlier this year. Hotel is selected and more information will be distributed by e-mail later.

A decision was made to create a standard entry form for EW and WW championships. The entry form used this year in Stockholm will be the template. Only entry forms coming through the country kennel clubs will be accepted.

The judges will be:

Mr. Erling Olsen, Denmark

Mrs. Pascale Lapeyre, France

Mr. Ton Hoffman, The Netherlands

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**WW OBEDIENCE 2010 IN DENMARK**

The dates for the obedience WW championship in Herning, Denmark is 24.-27. June 2010. Erling presented the status and promised that preparations were on schedule.

Opening and training will be on Thursday 24. June.

The revised proposal from Sweden from last meeting (see appendix # 1) regarding a modified organisation model for future WW/EW championships was discussed. With a few minor modifications/clarifications (see appendix # 2) it was agreed to use the new organisation model in Denmark 2010.

The judges will be:

Mr. Uwe Wehner, Germany

Mr. Karl Weber, Austria

Erling Olsen need to find two more judges, one from Denmark and one from Finland

Next championship:

France 2011

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**ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY FOR THE YEARS 2009 AND 2010**

Johann Kurzbauer was elected president.  
Johnny Halvorsrud was elected secretary.  
Carina Savander-Ranne was elected vice president.

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**DISCUSSION ON THE PROPOSALS FOR THE REVISION OF THE OBEDIENCE RULES FOR 2011**

Carina will provide proposal for adjustments based on the decisions in the judges meeting in Lübeck 2006 and decisions made in our meetings. This will be sent out to the delegates before our next meeting in France October 2009.

11.

**DISCUSSION ON THE INTERNATIONAL RULES FOR AN OBEDIENCE CLASS 1 AND 2 FOR 2011.**

Proposals were available from Austria, The Netherlands and Italy. To continue this hard work, it was decided that each country will provide a proposal containing only the name of the different exercises (one line description). In May next year we will have a new two-day meeting to select exercises for class 1 and 2 and then start to work in groups with the performance and directions.

**All proposals must be sent to Johnny by e-mail before January 31<sup>st</sup> 2009.**

Johnny will distribute all proposals to all the delegates in due time before our next meeting in Austria May 2009.

Carina will coordinate the work with the new classes.

12.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Next Joop de Reus memorial cup will be arranged in Austria close to Vienna 6.-7. June 2009.

Decision was made to drop the planned list of international judges. When a judge is needed, the best solution is to contact the country kennel club or the country FCI obedience commission delegate and ask for available qualified judges.

The FCI obedience commission would need an internet web-site to share information like results from international competitions and championships,

delegates contact information etc. Italy has created a draft web-site that could fulfil our requirements (<http://www.obedience-fci.com>). The commission is requesting approval from FCI to use this web-site.

Germany raised a question about the criteria for being allowed to participate in an international competition. What is the valid documentation required? Johann will work on this and follow up with Germany.

**13.**

**DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING**

May 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> 2009 in Salzburg, Austria (to work with class 1 and 2)  
October 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> 2009 in Toulouse, France

**14.**

**CLOSING OF MEETING**

The FCI Obedience Commission would like to thank the Dutch Kennel Club "Raad van Beheer" for excellent conference facilities, an exciting visit in the library, the interesting book about Dutch breads and a very nice dinner.

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Johann Kurzbauer  
Chairman of the meeting

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Johnny Halvorsrud  
Secretary of the meeting

## Appendix # 1.

### **A suggestion for the EW and WW competitions that will be discussed at the FCI Obedience Commission's meeting in Amsterdam on October 11<sup>th</sup> 2008.**

The WW and EW competition could be a three-day event running from Friday till Sunday and include two days for qualifying (Friday and Saturday) and one for finals (Sunday). Thursday would be reserved for training. If the number of entries will raise in the future the competition could be extended with one more day, Thursday.

The qualifying competition would be held in two rings and would be judged by two judges per ring (for example one from the Nordic countries and one from Europe). The result would be the average of the two judges' grades. This layout would thus require altogether four judges.

This implementation would allow approximately 40 competitors to perform per day, altogether 80. As before, each country could enter six competitors and two reserves. The team results would be calculated on the basis of the qualification competition and would include the results of three competitors.

The finals would be on Sunday and all four judges would judge. The highest and lowest points would be excluded and the average of the two middle ones would remain.

The 15 – 20 best ones from the qualification could continue to the finals. The individual winners would be decided on the basis of the results of the qualification and final competition, or just the final competition.

Details, such as the definite upper limit of competitors per day, layout of the rings, dividing the exercises per ring, order of performing on Sunday [draw lots or take into account the result from the qualification], etc., should be discussed and decided.

## Appendix # 2.

### **The layout for the EW and WW competitions decided at the FCI Obedience Commission's meeting in Amsterdam on October 11<sup>th</sup> 2008.**

The competition is held in connection with the EW or WW dog exhibition. The WW and EW competition in obedience is a three-day event running from Friday till Sunday of which two days (Friday and Saturday) are for the team competition and qualifying competition for the individual EW or WW and the last day (Sunday) for the individual final. Thursday is reserved for training. If the number of entries will rise in the future, the competition could be extended with one more day, Thursday. The Obedience Commission will decide on this when necessary.

The qualifying competition will be held in two rings and will be judged by two judges per ring; one from the Nordic countries and one from Europe. The exercises are divided between the two rings. The result will be the average of the two judges' grades. This layout thus requires altogether four judges.

This implementation will allow approximately 40 – 50 competitors to perform per day, not more than 100 altogether. Each country may enter six competitors and two reserves. If the total number of competitors is less than 100, each country will be allowed to enter additional competitors from a ranking list based on the previous EW/WW team results. All entries must be sent by the kennel clubs. The team results are calculated on the basis of the qualification competition and will include the results of the three best competitors.

The individual final is on Sunday and all four judges will judge. The highest and lowest points are excluded and the average of the two middle ones will remain.

The 20 best competitors from the qualification will continue to the final. The starting order will be decided by drawing. The individual winner will be the competitor with the highest total score in the final.

Bitches in season should perform last both in the qualification and the final.