



The European Blonde d'Aquitaine Breeders Association

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Fédération Internationale des Eleveurs de la Race Blonde d'Aquitaine

Wijk en Aalburg, the 10th of June 2016.

Transcript of the FIERBA meeting in PARIS – FRANCE at the Salon International d'Agriculture – 4th of March 2016 at SIA Port de Versailles in Paris.

Delegations present are:

Denmark: Kristian Haldrup

France: Lionel Girardeau and Bernard Logeais

Great Brittan: Hillary Jones and Caroline Jackson

Holland: Ed Neerincx, Fredie van Dijk and Bas Bouman

Luxemburg: Nicolas Heinrichs and Lucien Koob

Switzerland: Dennis Beuchat

Delegation from EUROBLOND 2017:

Alain Brion, Hugo Philippe and Eric Dion.

Message of not attending are received from:, Czech Republic, Belgium Dutch.

No messages from: Belgium French, Austria, Germany, Ireland, Sweden, Spain and Portugal.

1.Opening

Ed welcomes everybody present at this meeting and specially the delegation of EUROBLOND 2017. He says he is disappointed by the low number of people present and wonders what we are doing wrong or is it time to change the board? According to the answers it is not a problem of the board. He passes the word to Lionel.

2.Welcome by the French president.

Lionel is apologizing Philippe for his absence, but he had to return at home for personal reasons.

2B.EUROBLOND 2017.

The represantants for Euroblond 2017 presented their plans for the European contest in 2017 and handed out their brochure for this event. The event will take place on the 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th of September 2017. The main issue we were talking about, how can European countries bring animals to France without lots of difficulties as for example quarantine at departure and return. The main goal of the organisation is to have an European Genetic competition

For the health state the following issues are important:

TUBERCULOSES	BRUCCELOSES	LEUCOSES	IBR
herd free animal free	herd free animal free	herd free animal free	

The organisation will find out what the exact rules are for every country. This information will be passed to all countries.

3.Agreement on transcript.

Everybody agreed on the transcript of our meeting of 27th of February 2015. For the future we agreed to send a French version to the French speaking members. Lionel will take care of the translation for that we thank him.

4. Financial situation.

The financial situation of FIERBA is good, which does not mean we do have a lot to spend. It is a pity that some of the countries have difficulties in paying. Bas will send them a reminder. We do hope they will pay, otherwise we will have to consider measurements for the future.

5. Future of FIERBA.

What can we do to improve the participation of our members. As we can see also in this meeting the percentage of attending countries is low. For this we like to organise on Friday the 22nd of July a dinner and discussion evening for FIERBA members in Mayenne. The costs of the dinner will be taken by the French Herdbook, wherefore we thank them very much. At the evening there will be some presentations by people of AURIVA (MIDATEST) on AXONOPATHY and GENOMIC RESEARCH and off POLLED BREEDING by somebody from Denmark. We do hope we will see a lot of people present at this informal dinner.

6. Genomic Research.

The Genomic research will be available from the second half of this year. In principle it can be used by all breeders, starting with the French Breeders and after that the test should be available for all European breeders.

The costs of this tests are: ± € 80,00 for female testing, the full test for male animals will be ± € 220,00.

7. Axonopathy.

Through the results of genomic testing we learn more and more of the problems with axonopathy. It is a subject that needs our attention. If there are problems it is always possible to have a genomic test to search for the problems. The bulls that might be a possibility for transmitting this genes are known by OS. The AI bulls of AURIVA (MIDATEST) are published in BLOND INFO 67-january 2016.

8. Scoring.

The scoring in France is subject of changes. INRA and the OS are busy with that issue.

9. Exchanging judges.

We like to encourage our members to invite FIERBA judges to their shows. Bernard Logeais confirmed they had good feelings by the judging of Freddie and Marcel at their regional show. In Denmark we will have FIERBA judges in 2016.

10. Training judges.

We like to organise another training session in 2017 in Denmark. We have already an offer from Denmark to organise such training in the first half of 2017. Pascal Mignon will be asked to assist at the organisation.

11. News from our countries.

- *Switzerland will organise a show in Lausanne on the 13th of September 2016.
- *Denmark National show in Herning the 30th of June 2016.
- *Holland will organise some open doors at fattening stations.
- *Holland Regional show in Enter the 11th of August 2016.
- *Holland National show in Mariënheem the 29th of October 2016.

12. Next meeting.

Our next meeting will be on the 22nd of July in Mayenne. Details will follow.
General meeting in Paris in 2017. Details will follow.

13. Closing.

Ed closes this meeting. Never the less the low number of countries present he thinks we had a very successful meeting with good discussions that gives him hope for the future so we can build out the work of FIERBA and achieve an even better cooperation between the countries.

He thanks Lionel for the organisation of the meeting place and hopes to see all at our next meeting in Mayenne.

Signed for agreement in :

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P.S.
I am sorry for the delay.
Bas