

DEILD ÍSLENSKA FJÁRHUNDSINS



The Present Situation from DÍF in Iceland

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◆ DÍF Club members

There are currently 230 members in DÍF which is a less than last year when the kennel club started giving new puppy owners the first year's membership for free, it looks like not all of them have renewed their membership. Apart from that to be a club member you have to be a paid up member of the Icelandic Kennel Club, there is no extra cost for this membership and DÍF receives no payment from the Icelandic Kennel Club. You do need to be the registered owner of a living Icelandic sheepdog, or a partner/spouse and be a paid up member of the Icelandic Kennel Club to have the right to vote at the DÍF Annual General Meeting.

◆ Registrations

Litters

	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Litters	29	25	29	29	23	20	28	24	19	27	21
Puppies	134	105	136	132	93	90	121	91	73	116	111
Average size of litters	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.5	4	4.5	4.3	3.8	3.8	4.3	5.2
Average inbreeding	-	-	-	3.8%	3.7%	2.9%	3.8%	5.0%	5.3%	4.8%	4.2%

Imports

	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Denmark	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-
Norway	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sweden	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Holland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
USA	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

◆ Registrations, further comments

During 2017, 134 Icelandic sheepdogs were registered from 29 litters which is an increase on last year. Average number of puppies were 4.6 per litter, the same as last year, the average litter size has remained pretty much the same over the last few years.



Statistics overview and comments, registrations

Pedigree Registrations 2017

reg. nr. of puppies	d.o.b.	sire	dam	pups reg.	New form	kennelname & breeder/s
IS22851/17 - IS22853/17	19.10.2016	B Heiðarhofs Kolmar IS17542/12 (40 progeny)	B Hraunbæjar Eir IS19836/14 (4 progeny)	4	no	HRAUNBÆJAR - Jóhannes Guðbjörnsson
IS22863/17 - IS22867/17	14.11.2016	B Nói IS20517/15 (13 progeny)	A Bjarklands Gná IS19578/14 (10 progeny)	5	no	ICE-VIKINGS - Kristín Jóhannsdóttir
IS22868/17 - IS22873/17	23.10.2016	B Stjörnuljósa Hugleikur IS18004/13 (6 progeny)	D Huldudals Heba IS19948/14 (6 progeny)	6	no	HULDUDALS - Hafros Hulda Einarsdóttir
IS23110/17 - IS23113/17	22.11.2016	C Laufeyjar Lappi IS18444/13 (4 progeny)	C Krafla IS15396/10 (4 progeny)	4	no	Berglind Júnía Valsdóttir
IS23119/17 - IS23125/17	5.1.2017	A Kolsholts Stáli IS19980/14 (10 progeny)	C Laufeyjar Brá IS19303/14 (7 progeny)	7	no	REYKJAVALLA - Hanna Pétursdóttir
IS23135/17 - IS23141/17	24.1.2017	A Dranga Kveld-Úlfur IS19863/14 (7 progeny)	A Ístjarna Katla IS16868/12 (13 progeny)	7	yes	ÍSTJARNAR - Elma Cates
IS23249/17 - IS23254/17	22.2.2017	A Gerplu Þór IS19802/14 (6 progeny)	A Heklu Hekla IS16345/11 (6 progeny)	6	yes	Ingiveldur Guðný Sveinsdóttir
IS23266/17 - IS23269/17	3.2.2017	C Snætinda Loki Ljúfingur IS16855/12 (10 progeny)	A Snætinda Ísafold IS13995/09 (14 progeny)	4	yes	SNÆTINDA - Hafþór Snæbjörnsson Unnur Sveinsdóttir & Sunna Líf Hafþórsd
IS23272/17 - IS23276/17	9.2.2017	A Snætinda Smali IS12192/08 (5 progeny)	A Gerplu Mjöll IS17974/13 (18 progeny)	5	yes	GERPLU - Guðný Halla Gunnlaugsdóttir
IS23277/17 - IS23280/17	16.1.2017	B Búlands Hrafna Flóki IS19430/14 (4 progeny)	A Gerplu Lóa IS19112/14 (4 progeny)	4	no	GERPLU - Guðný Halla Gunnlaugsdóttir
IS23301/17 - IS23306/17	3.2.2017	B Stefsstells Kolmars Krómi IS19586/14 (10 progeny)	D Stjörnuljósa Pálfríður IS17444/12 (11 progeny)	6	yes	STEPSSTELLS - Stefánía Sigurðardóttir
IS23326/17 - IS23332/17	16.2.2017	B Gerplu Hrafnþýr IS19110/14 (7 progeny)	C Snjófells Pandóra IS18829/13 (7 progeny)	7	yes	SNJÓFELLS - Malin M. Persson
IS23396/17 - IS23399/17	25.3.2017	B Garpur frá Keldnakoti IS15915/11 (17 progeny)	A Laufeyjar Askja IS19304/14 (4 progeny)	4	yes	BRAGABÓTAR - Margrét Svavarsdóttir
IS23423/17 - IS23428/17	5.4.2017	B Sunnusteins Íslandssómi IS17332/12 (7 progeny)	C Snætinda Hrafnþinna IS13996/09 (19 progeny)	6	yes	LAUFYJAR - Linda Laufey Bragadóttir
IS23431/17 - IS23437/17	16.4.2017	B Fagrahvamms Rimmugýgur IS18338/13 (16 progeny)	A Gerplu Ronja Nös IS16077/11 (22 progeny)	7	no	FLJÓTA - Arnþrúður Heimisdóttir
IS23438/17 - IS23440/17	18.4.2007	B Fagrahvamms Rimmugýgur IS18338/13 (16 progeny)	C Arnarstaða Skrudda IS16676/12 (3 progeny)	3	no	FLJÓTA - Arnþrúður Heimisdóttir
IS23551/17 - IS23555/17	29.5.2017	B Nói IS20517/15 (13 progeny)	B Bjarklands Gná IS19578/14 (10 progeny)	5	yes	ICE-VIKINGS - Kristín Jóhannsdóttir
IS23556/17 - IS23558/17	25.5.2017	B Nói IS20517/15 (13 progeny)	C Leiru Hnota IS19490/14 (10 progeny)	3	yes	ICE-VIKINGS - Kristín Jóhannsdóttir
IS23559/17 - IS2360/17	3.5.2017	A Kolsholts Spuni IS19979/14 (2 progeny)	C Arnarstaða Skrumba IS13116/09 (18 progeny)	2	yes	STJÖRNULJÓSA - Margrét Bára Magnúsdóttir
IS23566/17 - IS23567/17	4.3.2017	A Strandarhöfðs Skundi IS19068/13 (2 progeny)	C Leiru Eva IS13291/09 (8 progeny)	2	no	Aníta Lára Ólafsdóttir
IS23645/17 - IS23649/17	6.5.2017	B Heiðarhofs Kolmar IS17542/12 (40 progeny)	A Stokk-Sels Skíma IS19391/14 (8 progeny)	5	no	STOKK-SELS - Ragnhildur Sigurðardóttir
IS23660/17	20.4.2017	C Jaki frá Ólafsvöllum IS20677/15 (1 progeny)	C Snætinda Vaka IS168/12 (1 progeny)	1	no	SNÆTINDA - Hafþór Snæbjörnss. Unnur Sveinsd. & Sunna Líf Hafþórsd.
IS23665/17 - IS23670/17	19.5.2017	B Garpur frá Keldnakoti IS15915/11 (17 progeny)	C Stokk-Sels Verðandi Snjóðís IS14336/10 (27 progeny)	6	no	STOKK-SELS - Ragnhildur Sigurðardóttir
IS23677/17	24.5.2017	C Stefsstells Drengur Dýri IS15323/10 (7 progeny)	A Dranga Hetja IS14767/10 (12 progeny)	1	yes	DRANGA - Hrefna Sigfúsdóttir
IS23775/17	27.4.2017	C Kersins Kraftur IS22006/16 (5 progeny)	C Þoka IS10836/07 (2 progeny)	1	no	SNIGILSSTAÐA - Sólrún Lilja Ragnarsdóttir
IS23817/17 - IS23822/17	20.6.2017	A Kolsholts Kopar IS21408/15 (6 progeny)	C Snjófells Sjöfn IS16023/11 (6 progeny)	6	yes	KOLSHOLTS - Sigurður Rúnar Guðjónsson
IS23862/17 - IS23868/17	27.6.2017	C Leiru Tryggur IS21156/15 (7 progeny)	A Kría IS 14234/10 (12 progeny)	7	no	BREYÐANES - Connie Maris Cuesta
IS23963/17 - IS23968/17	23.8.2017	B Laufeyjar Snær IS193000/14 (6 progeny)	A Ístjarna Lóa IS19703/14 (6 progeny)	6	yes	ÍSTJARNAR - Elma Cates
IS23999/17 - IS24002/17	25.8.2017	C Kersins Kraftur IS22006/16 (5 progeny)	C Kersins Brekka IS20695/15 (4 progeny)	4	no	SNIGILSSTAÐA - Sólrún Lilja Ragnarsdóttir
IS23644/17	02.05.2011	Týri IS15896/11 AKCDN32313001	Leiru Ösp IS11407/07 AKCDN23241302	1		Sisi - Owner: Sylvia Sigurbjörnsdóttir - USA import from Icelandic born parents

◆ Registrations, further comments

The number of progeny in brackets above include the registered progeny up to the end of July 2018. The new microchip form including information on the testicles of male puppies came into force in 2017 but unfortunately not all breeders used it so we cannot use the information at present.

Below is a breakdown of parents of litters registered in 2017 that had 15 or more progeny up to the end of July 2018. Listed are the hip score of the dog itself, in front of their names, the number of their progeny that have been hip scored and a breakdown of their hip results. Unfortunately not enough breeders do sufficient research into the background of the animals they breed from before using them.

<i>Males used in breeding 2017 with a total of 15 progeny or more</i>	
B Heiðarhofs Kolmar IS17542/12 (40 progeny)	4 progeny hip scored from 8 litters - 1xA 2xB 1xC
B Garpur frá Keldnakoti IS15915/11 (17 progeny)	1 progeny hip scored from 4 litters - 1xA
B Fagrahvamms Rimmugýgur IS18338/13 (16 progeny)	1 progeny hip scored from 3 litters - 1xB
<i>Bitches used in breeding 2017 with a total of 15 progeny or more</i>	
A Gerplu Mjöll IS17974/13 (18 progeny)	4 progeny hip scored from 3 litters - 4xA
C Snætinda Hrafn tinna IS13996/09 (19 progeny)	8 progeny hip scored from 3 litters - 3xA 2xB 3xC
A Gerplu Ronja Nös IS16077/11 (22 progeny)	5 progeny hip scored from 4 litters - 1xA 3xB 1xC
C Arnarstaða Skrumba IS13116/09 (18 progeny)	4 progeny hip scored from 3 litters - 1xA 3xD
C Stokk-Sels Verðandi Snjóðís IS14336/10 (27 progeny)	5 progeny hip scored from litters - 2xA 2xB 1xC

◆ Stud Dogs

It is compulsory in Iceland for all Icelandic sheepdogs to be hip scored and have a valid eye examination before they may be used in breeding. Any dog diagnosed with hereditary cataracts is banned from breeding. Eye examinations are valid for 12 months increasing to 26 months for dogs examined after 3 years of age. In January this year a new rule came into force, dogs/bitches eye tested when seven years old or older, provided they have previously been eye tested twice before without remarks, have their eye certificate valid for the rest of their lives. This is a great breakthrough for us after many years trying, hopefully it will provide us with a wider variety of dogs available on the stud list for the future. Male dogs diagnosed with eye conditions are only included on the Stud Dog list provided that the diagnosing vet states that the dog may be bred from, in these cases the dog should be bred to a mate without remarks, of course the same stipulations apply for bitches.

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It is not forbidden to use a dog, or bitch, with D hips though DÍF do not recommend it unless there are special circumstances. We do urge our breeders who decide to breed a hip dysplastic dog to choose a mate with A or B hips, the same applies for breeding with dogs with C hip scores. The Icelandic Kennel Club ban the use of dogs with E hips in breeding, in line with FCI rules. We do not include males with D or E hips on our Stud Dog list.

There are currently 62 males on the Stud Dog List on our webpage, this is the largest amount we have ever had and it sound like a lot but among them are a couple of fathers and sons, several litter brothers and rather a lot of half-brothers, quite a few of the rest are closely related as well. This makes the breeder's job of finding a male not too closely related to their bitch sometimes a difficult if not impossible task and could be one of the reasons why some males are used more often than is desirable.

◆ Hip Dysplasia (HD)

Hip dysplasia	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
A	20	8	15	15	19	10	8	9	6	14	7
B	4	8	5	7	9	4	8	9	2	3	7
C	5	11	12	10	10	7	13	14	7	11	10
D	0	2	1	4	1	2	6	5	3	5	7
E	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	4	3	1
In total	29	29	33	36	39	25	35	40	22	36	32

◆ Elbow Dysplasia (ED)

No Icelandic sheepdogs were elbow-scored in 2017, it is not a requirement here in Iceland.

◆ Patella Luxation

No cases of Patella Luxation have been reported in Icelandic sheepdogs in Iceland.

◆ Eye examinations

Eye conditions	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Unaffected signifies (free)	83	80	65	81	74	61	56	85	79	129	63
Hereditary Cataract	1	3	1 confirmed 1 suspected	1	2 confirmed 1 suspected	1 confirmed 3 suspected	-	-	1	4	2
Corneal Dystrophy	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Distichiasis	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Retinal Dysplasia	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
PHTVL/PHPV Grade 1	3	5	2	-	2	4	1	-	-	-	-
PHPVL/PHPV Grade 2	2	4	1	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
PPM Persistent Pupillary Membrane	2	1	1	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-
Others	-	2	1	2	3	7	1	-	2	5	-
In total	91	97	74	87	85	72	59	86	83	138	65

DÍF Club Show 2017



BISS Bjarkeyjar Brák & BOSS ISCH. Heiðarhofs Kolmar (father and daughter)

◆ Shows

Shows	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
DÍF shows	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	2
Number of dogs	55	55	62	46	42	65	-	-	-	132
HRFÍ Shows	5	5	8	3	4	4	4	4	4	3
Number of dogs	235	197	269	116	146	147	146	144	201	97
Dogs in total	290	252	331	162	188	212	146	144	201	229

◆ Official HRFÍ Working Tests

Bronze - 1 dog - Sunnusteins Hryðja
 Obedience I. - 1 dog - Kirkjufells Sandra

◆ DÍF Yearbook

The DÍF yearbook was first published in 2014. The yearbook contains details of all the Icelandic sheepdogs attending shows in Iceland that year, including the full critique for each dog. It also contains several interesting articles. Þorsteinn Thorsteinson and Linda Björk Jónsdóttir have researched all the material and put the yearbook together. The latest yearbook covers years 2015 - 2017 but the work involved has proven to be too much so it will not be continued.

◆ DÍF Calendar

The DÍF calendar has been produced every year since 1998. We are always looking for good quality photographs of Icelandic sheepdogs taken here in the Icelandic countryside. There are still some copies of the 2018 calendar available and the 2019 calendar should be available fairly soon. Calendars can be purchased from the Calendar Committee, Ágúst Ágústsson dagatal@dif.is. The price of the calendars is ISkr.1.500 each or ISkr.1.300 each when you buy 10 or more, plus postage etc.

◆ DÍF Webpage

The DÍF homepage is regularly updated with information on litters, shows and other activities. You can also find information there on all Icelandic sheepdogs that have been registered in Iceland since the beginning (GAGNAGRUNNUR) as well as information on eye tests and hip scores (HEILBRIGÐI). We are asking owners of all Icelandic sheepdogs born and originally registered in Iceland to send in photographs of their dogs to be added to the pedigree database on the DÍF webpage to <http://www.dif.is>.

◆ Icelandic Sheepdog Day

The 18th July, the late Mark Watson's birthday, was celebrated as Icelandic Sheepdog Day this year in Iceland for the third year. Mark Watson's birthday is used in honour of everything he did for the Icelandic Sheepdog from the 1950s to the formation of the Icelandic Kennel Club in 1969 saving it from extinction and for his dedication to the breed throughout his adult life.

The DÍF board have applied to the authorities to have this day made official in the Icelandic calendar.

◆ Revised Breed Standard

The work on the Revised Breed Standard has finally been completed. The first draft was presented to the breeders and members of DÍF and they were given a chance to send in their ideas and suggestions, the Standard Committee then went over them all. The next step was presenting it to the HRFÍ Board for approval and for them to send it to the FCI. The Standard Commission of the FCI approved the revised Standard with the only changes being "male and female" instead of "dog and bitch".

◆ Summary

DÍF has three new board members. At this year's AGM Margrét Bára Magnúsdóttir and Arnfríður Inga Arnmundsdóttir did not stand for re-election and Sunna Líf Hafþórsdóttir resigned. Helga Andrésdóttir was re-elected for another two year term, Arna Rúnarsdóttir and Guðný Halla Gunnlaugsdóttir were elected for two years and Hrefna Sigfúsdóttir was elected for one year. Stefanía Sigurðardóttir is now the Chairman of DÍF, Arna Rúnarsdóttir is the Secretary and Helga Andrésdóttir is the Treasurer.

We would like to thank those that left the board for their hard work and dedication during their time with us.

Reykjavík, 19th October 2018

**On behalf of Deild íslenska fjárhundsins,
the Icelandic Sheepdog Breed Club in Iceland**

