

**Vereniging de
IJslandse Hond in Nederland
VIJHN**



**Annual report for the year
2015**

**The 21th International seminar for
the Icelandic Sheepdog
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Statistics overview and comments, health

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Pup information / dog replacement information:

Mrs. Natasja Hagemeier

The above is true for the year 2015.

Club members

	2015	2014	2013 31 th December	2012 31 th December	2011 31 th December	2010 31 th December
Members	214 (+ 33 family members)	200	200 (inc. 35 family members)	213 (+ 34 family members)	221 (+ 28 family members)	251 (inc. 12 family members)
New members this year	14	12				

Others

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Litters

	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Litters	16	14	10	9	12
Puppies registered	83	74	56	46	65
Average size of litters	5,2	5,3	5,6	5,1	5,5
Average inbreeding %	1,2	2,2			

Imports

	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Germany				1	2
Denmark	1				1
Iceland	1	1			1
Finland				3	
United States				1	2
Norway			1		
Switzerland			1		
Sweden			1		
Canada	1				

Exports:

	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Germany		3			
Belgium	1	1	3	3	
Finland			1		
United States					
Norway				1	
Switzerland			1	1	
France		2			

Stud dogs

Who have reached – or are close – to the “ISIC breeding limit”

Breeding rules VIJHN

The breeding rules in VIJHN allow a bitch to produce 4 litters during her lifetime. For a male dog the number of litters is the same: he is allowed to produce 4 litters in The Netherlands only. These rules are strictly taken into account and governed by our club. This means that there are no dogs that come close to the ISIC breeding limits ever, and we therefore have no data regarding this.

Further comments:

The sixteen litters in 2015 had 16 different mothers and 14 different fathers. These 16 litters were bred by 12 different breeders. One breeder produced three litters in one year, two breeders produced two litters and the other breeders produced one litter. Two of the 12 breeders are members of the IJHC (the other Icelandic sheepdog club in The Netherlands), the other ten breeders are members of VIJHN.

Hip Dysplasia (HD)

Total number of x-rayed dogs	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
A	8	15	17	19	14
B				1	2
A+B	8	15	17	20	16
C		3			
D			1	1	
E					
C+D+E		3	1	1	
In total	8	18	18	21	16

Further comments:

The hip dysplasia results for The Netherlands are consistent with former years, **but we do see a decrease in numbers of dogs researched.**

Elbow dysplasia (ED)

Total number of x-rayed dogs	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Level 0					
Level 1					
Level 2					
Level 3					
In total					

Further comments: No requirement in The Netherlands (VIJHN). No data available.

Patella luxation:

Total number of x-rayed dogs	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Level 0					
Level 1					
Level 2					
Level 3					
In total					

Further comments: No requirement in The Netherlands (VIJHN). No data available

Eye examinations

Total number of x-rayed dogs	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Unaffected signifiers (free)	15	43	20	28	6
Hereditary Cataract		1			
Cornea Distrophe					
Distichiatis	1	1		4	2
Others (see below)	1	7	6	5	5
In total	17	52	26	37	13

Other hereditary eye diseases:

In 2015 four dogs had the gonioscopy research. Three dogs were free of deformities or undetermined. The fourth was not free of fibrae latea. This dog was listed as "others".

Further comments:

Health, optional testing

	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
BEAR (Hearing diseases)					
Heart diseases					
Kidney diseases					

Further comments: In 2015 no special diseases were reported.

Mentality descriptions

Further comments: No mentality descriptions available from The Netherlands

Working abilities (herding) descriptions

	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Descripted dogs					
In total					

Further comments: No herding descriptions done in The Netherlands in 2015.

Shows

Breed Specialty

The **Dutch breed specialty** show was organised by VIJHN on June 14, 2015 in Hoenderloo. The judge was Elly Weijenborg (The Netherlands) and the entry was 44 Icelandic Sheepdogs. Best bitch with CAC and Best of Breed was Dyrfgja Dagstjarna frá Dyrfgjadottir (From Germany). Best male with CAC and Best Opposite Sex was Anacamptis Gaski. Res. CAC males was for Ganti Doni (From Germany). Res. CAC female was for Dögunn frá Fridarstöðum.

Events

Walking tours

Four times a year walking tours with our dogs are organized on different locations in the country (forest or beach). Attendance varies greatly; sometimes there are 20 dogs and owners, but sometimes also a handful.

Day of the Icelandic Dog – combination of Young Dog Day and Activity Day

In October 2015 the Young Dog Day was organized again, only this year we combined it with the Activity day – we named the day 'Day of the Icelandic Dog'. This has been very successful; 86 Icelandic dogs were present on 11 October in Hoenderloo.

Young dogs: from the litters born within the VIJHN in 2014 and beginning 2015, 12 litters were present on this day. Judge Wilma Roem has evaluated them with help from candidate judges. Most of the parents and some grandparents were also present. This provides good insight in quality and quantity of Icelandic Sheepdog breeding in The Netherlands.

Activities: each year we organise one day of fun activities for our members. This day is free of charge and is all about being active with your dog(s) and having fun with them. We set out courses, think of fun games to play and things to do. Combining this day with the Young Dog Day proved to be a success and we will take the same approach for 2016.

SUP with dogs

In 2015 we organised a SUP session with Icelandic sheepdogs. SUP stands for Stand Up Paddling, and involves surfboards and water. The weather was optimal, the dogs liked to be in and out of the water, and so did the owners. This workshop/activity was a great success and has been repeated on several occasions (private initiatives).

Male workshop

Because the male part of our population can sometimes be reactive towards the same sex (at shows, when on the leash), we organised a lecture and a workshop, where owners learned to recognise the signals (staring, fixating) and were taught how to react themselves if a reactive situation was at hand. This workshop was a great success and will be repeated in the near future.

Workshop sheep herding

We organised a workshop where members could 'take a sniff' at sheep herding with their Icelandic dogs. This was a trial with a shepherd that was only used to working with border collies. Unfortunately he was not very open minded to other breeds and their special traits and strengths (he was convinced the dogs should not bark while working...), so we learned a lesson there. In the meantime we have found someone else who is more open minded and working actively with Icelandic Sheepdogs in training, we have good hopes that we can continue on this road.

Winner's 2015

Our club was present during the 3 days of the Winner's Show of 2015 in Amsterdam to promote our breed.

Appendix

Litters

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Litters	8	12	16	15	12	12	16	8	14	15	14	13	12	10	12	9	10	14	16
Puppies	40	66	94	75	57	63	83	31	77	67	71	61	54	55	65	46	56	74	83
Average size of litters	5,25	5,5	5,9	5	4,75	5,25	5,2	3,8	5,5	4,5	5	4,7	4,5	5,5	5,5	5,1	5,6	5,3	5,2
Average inbreeding %																		2,2	1,2

Hip Dysplasia (HD)

Total number of x-rayed dogs	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A			1	2	1	11	17	23	15	13	10	16	14	19	14	19	17	15	8
B	7	10	20	17	9	4		2		1	1	1			2	1			
A+B	7	10	21	19	10	15	17	25	15	14	11	17	14	19	16	20	17	15	8
C	2	1	1			2	2	2	1	1	1	2		3				3	
D		2	1	2			1	1		1	2	2	1	1		1	1		
E													1						
C+D+E	2	3	2	2	0	2	3	3	1	2	3	4	2	4	0	1	1	3	
In total	9	13	23	21	10	17	20	28	16	16	14	21	16	23	16	21	18	18	8

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Eye examinations

Total number of x-rayed dogs	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Unaffected signifiers (free)	17	11	33	17	17	17	63	31	37	24	37	30	37	33	6	28	20	43	15
Hereditary Cataract																		1	
Cornea Distrophe																			
Distichiatis	1	1	4		1	1	7	1	1	1	3	2	1	1	2	4		1	1
Others				1									2		5	5	6	7	1
In total	18	12	38	18	18	18	70	32	38	25	40	32	40	34	13	37	26	52	17

Appendix
