

# DEILD ÍSLENSKA FJÁRHUNDSINS



## The Present Situation from DÍF in Iceland

**The 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual  
International I.S.I.C. Meeting  
for the Icelandic Sheepdog**

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## Club information

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### ◆ DÍF Club members

There are currently 279 members in DÍF which is a significant increase from previous years, the main reason for this is the fact that the Icelandic Kennel Club have started giving new puppy buyers automatic free membership for their first year when they are registered as the puppies owner. 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

	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Litters	25	29	29	23	20	28	24	19	27	21	20
Puppies	105	136	132	93	90	121	91	73	116	111	89
Average size of litters	4.6	4.7	4.5	4	4.5	4.3	3.8	3.8	4.3	5.2	4.4
Average inbreeding	-	-	3.8%	3.7%	2.9%	3.8%	5.0%	5.3%	4.8%	4.2%	6.3%

#### Imports

	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Denmark	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
Norway	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Sweden	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Holland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1

### ◆ Registrations, further comments

During 2016, 105 Icelandic sheepdogs were registered from 25 litters which is less than last year. Average puppies per litter 4.6. One imported dog was registered in 2016, a bitch from Norway.



## Statistics overview and comments, registrations

### Pedigree Registrations 2016

reg. nr. of puppies	d.o.b.	sire	dam	pups reg.	kennelname & breeder/s
IS21555/16 - IS21560/16	12.10.2015	B Snætinda Sómi IS16854/12 (13 progeny)	C Arnarstaða Skrumba IS13116/09 (16 progeny)	6	STJÖRNULJÓSA - Margrét Bára Magnúsdóttir
IS21561/16 - IS21564/16	29.9.2015	B Hellu Blakkur IS17054/12 (4 progeny)	B Íssógar Snotra IS16838/12 (8 progeny)	4	ÍSSKÓGAR - María Auður Steingrimsdóttir
IS21649/16 - IS21653/16	18.10.2015	A Stokk-Sels Arngrímur IS19393/14 (10 progeny)	B Haugárdsminde's Njala IS16834/12 (23 progeny)	5	STOKK-SELS - Ragnhildur Sigurðardóttir
IS21752/16 - IS21757/16	18.10.2015	C Snætinda Loki Ljúflingur IS16855/12 (6 progeny)	A Ístjarna Katla IS16868/12 (6 progeny)	6	ÍSTJARNAR - Vigdís Elma Cates
IS21764/16	23.1.2016	C Kersins Hökki IS10912/07 (1 progeny)	B Sunnusteins Árdís IS15712/11 (1 progeny)	1	SUNNUSTEINS - Þorsteinn Thorsteinson
IS21818/16 - IS21823/16	20.11.2015	A Stefsstells Skrúður IS09862/06 (54 progeny)	A Bjarklands Gyðja IS14547/10 (6 progeny)	6	ODDHÓLS - Fríða Steinarsdóttir
IS21853/16 - IS21855/16	20.2.2016	A Bjarklands Fúsi Kátur IS12958/09 (3 progeny)	C Bjarkarkots Hekla IS12657/08 (3 progeny)	3	Áslaug Sveinsdóttir
IS21871/16 - IS21873/16	15.1.2016	A Stefsstells Þorri IS19583/14 (6 progeny)	A Dranga Hetja IS14767/10 (11 progeny)	3	DRANGA - Hrefna Sigfúsdóttir
IS21975/16 - IS21979/16	8.2.2016	A Kirkjufells Kolor IS15024/10 (15 progeny)	A Kría IS 14234/10 (5 progeny)	5	BREYÐANES - Connie Maris Cuesta
IS22005/16 - IS22007/16	8.3.2016	C Kersins Undramundur IS13279/09 (20 progeny)	A Kersins Skvísa IS16438/11 (8 progeny)	3	KERSINS - Helga Gústafsdóttir
IS22028/16 - IS22032/16	18.2.2016	C Spori IS09857/06 (5 progeny)	C Gerplu Rjúpa IS19115/14 (9 progeny)	5	GERPLU - Guðný Halla Gunnlaugsdóttir
IS22106/16 - IS22110/16	21.3.2016	A Leiru Sámur IS09753/06 (24 progeny)	B Bjarklands Bjalla IS16852/12 (11 progeny)	5	HULDUDALS - Hafrós Hulda Einarsdóttir
IS22141/16	27.4.2016	B Sunnusteins Íslandssómi IS17332/12 (1 progeny)	A Fagrahvamms Gefjun IS14659/10 (10 progeny)	1	FAGRAHVAMMS - Anna & Hrefna Jónsdóttir
IS22196/16 - IS22200/16	26.4.2016	A Ístjarna Tindur IS16863/12 (9 progeny)	C Stokk-Sels Verðandi Snjóðís IS14336/10 (21 progeny)	5	STOKK-SELS - Ragnhildur Sigurðardóttir
IS22211/16 - IS22213/16	17.5.2016	A Kolsholts Stáli IS19980/14 (3 progeny)	C Leiru Hnota IS19490/14 (7 progeny)	3	ICE-VIKINGS - Kristín Jóhannsdóttir
IS22214/16 - IS22220/16	6.5.2016	A Arnarstaða Rektor IS10191/06 (13 progeny)	B Stefsstells Sunna á Ólafsvöllum IS16457/11 (14 progeny)	7	FRÁ ÓLAFSVÖLLUM - M.Pedersen & G.Kjartansson
IS22238/16 - IS22243/16	4.5.2016	B Fagrahvamms Rimmugýgur IS18338/13 (6 progeny)	A Gerplu Ronja Nös IS16077/11 (15 progeny)	6	FLJÓTA - Arnþrúður Heimisdóttir
IS22244/16 - IS22248/16	1.5.2016	B Heiðarhofs Kolmar IS17542/12 (30 progeny)	D Stjörnuljósa Pálfriður IS17444/12 (5 progeny)	6	STEFSTELLS - Stefanía Sigurðardóttir
IS22402/16 - IS22405/16	30.6.2016	B Snjófells Óðinn IS13764/09 (22 progeny)	A Snætinda Ísafold IS13995/09 (10 progeny)	4	SNÆTINDA - Hafþór Snæbjörnss. Unnur Sveinsd. & Sunna Líf Hafþórsd.
IS22461/16 - IS22464/16	21.7.2016	A Arnarnúps Askur Yggdrasil IS15031/10 (8 progeny)	A Snælda IS17496/12 (4 progeny)	4	Sigrún Íris Eysteinsdóttir
IS22510/16 - IS22513/16	30.7.2016	B Stefsstells Kolmars Krómi IS19586/14 (4 progeny)	B Íssógar Snotra IS16838/12 (8 progeny)	4	ÍSSKÓGAR - María Auður Steingrimsdóttir
IS22574/16	21.8.2016	A Hellu Vaskur IS15960/05 (5 progeny)	A Dranga Aska Bergrós IS14770/10 (1 progeny)	1	DRANGA - Hrefna Sigfúsdóttir
IS22579/16 - IS22582/16	16.6.2016	A Ístjarna Tindur IS16863/12 (9 progeny)	B Stefsstells Pía Bella IS14240/10 (11 progeny)	4	ÍSTJARNAR - Vigdís Elma Cates
IS22734/16 - IS22738/16	17.9.2016	A Stokk-Sels Arngrímur IS19393/14 (10 progeny)	B Haugárdsminde's Njala IS16834/12 (23 progeny)	5	STOKK-SELS - Ragnhildur Sigurðardóttir
IS22742/16 - IS22744/16	20.9.2016	B Garpur frá Keldnakoti IS15915/11 (7 progeny)	A Stokk-Sels Skíma IS19391/14 (3 progeny)	3	STOKK-SELS - Ragnhildur Sigurðardóttir
IS22378/16	19.9.2015	Trym Raudur NO53654/10	Saga Av Brattalid NO42702/11		Agdesiden's Eik Eldros (Norwegian import)

The number of progeny in brackets include the registered progeny up to the end of June 2017

### ◆ Registrations, further comments

Below is a breakdown of parents of litters registered in 2016 that had 15 or more progeny up to the end of June 2017. 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 2016 with a total of 15 progeny or more</i>	
A Stefsstells Skrúður IS09862/06 (54 progeny)	17 progeny hip scored from 10 litters - 9xA 3xB 4xC 1xD
B Heiðarhofs Kolmar IS17542/12 (30 progeny)	4 progeny hip scored from 6 litters - 1xA 2xB 1xC
A Leiru Sámur IS09753/06 (24 progeny)	6 progeny hip scored from 7 litters - 5xA 1xC
B Snjófells Óðinn IS13764/09 (22 progeny)	6 progeny hip scored from 6 litters - 2xB 4xC
C Kersins Undramundur IS13279/09 (20 progeny)	5 progeny hip scored from 4 litters - 3xA 2xC
A Kirkjufells Kolar IS15024/10 (15 progeny)	1 progeny hip scored from 3 litters - 1xC
<i>Bitches used in breeding 2016 with a total of 15 progeny or more</i>	
B Haugårdsminde's Njala IS16834/12 (23 progeny)	1 progeny hip scored from 5 litters - 1xA
C Stokk-Sels Verðandi Snjódis IS14336/10 (16 progeny)	4 progeny hip scored from 4 litters - 2xA 2xB
C Arnarstaða Skrumba IS13116/09 (16 progeny)	2 progeny hip scored from 3 litters - 2xD
A Gerplu Ronja Nös IS16077/11 (15 progeny)	2 progeny hip scored from 3 litters - 2xB

### ◆ 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. 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 must be bred to a mate without remarks, we have the same stipulation for bitches diagnosed with eye conditions.

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, also for breeding with dogs with C hip scores.

The Icelandic Kennel Club have recently banned 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.

### ◆ Stud Dogs, further comments

There are currently 42 males on the Stud Dog List on our webpage, this sound quite a lot but among them are fathers and sons, litter brothers and rather a lot of half-brothers, quite a few of the others are closely related as well. This makes the breeder's job of finding a male not too closely related to the 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	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
A	8	15	15	19	10	8	9	6	14	7	25
B	8	5	7	9	4	8	9	2	3	7	7
C	11	12	10	10	7	13	14	7	11	10	7
D	2	1	4	1	2	6	5	3	5	7	3
E	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	4	3	1	2
In total	29	33	36	39	25	35	40	22	36	32	44

### ◆ Elbow Dysplasia (ED)

No Icelandic sheepdogs were elbow-scored in 2016

### ◆ Patella Luxation

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

◆ Eye examinations

Eye conditions	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Unaffected signifies (free)	80	65	81	74	61	56	85	79	129	63	91
Hereditary Cataract	3	1 confirmed 1 suspected	1 confirmed	2 confirmed 1 suspected	1 confirmed 3 suspected	-	-	1	4	2	4
Corneal Dystrophy	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Distichiasis	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Retinal Dysplasia	2	1	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
PHTVL/PHPV Grade 1	5	2	-	2	4	1	-	-	-	-	-
PHPVL/PHPV Grade 2	4	1	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
PPM Persistent Pupillary Membrane	1	1	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Others	2	1	2	3	7	1	-	2	5	-	-
In total	97	74	87	85	72	59	86	83	138	65	95



### ◆ Eye examinations, further comments

In the cases of hereditary cataracts, one is a new case of Posterior Polar Cataract and the other two are previously diagnosed Cortical Cataracts from 2012 and 2014, one of those probably due to trauma.

One of the cases of Retinal Dysplasia had been diagnosed before in 2014.

The case of PPM is new, the dog had previously been diagnosed FRI.

The "Others" are two new cases of Punctate Cataracts.

In the cases of PHTVL/PHPV Grade 1, four are new cases and one was previously diagnosed in 2012.

In the cases of PHTVL/PHPV Grade 2, three are new cases and one had been diagnosed before in 2014.



### ◆ Shows

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



### ◆ Official HRFÍ Working Tests

Bronze - 1 dog

Obedience II. - 1 dog

### ◆ 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. Also all the health test results (eyes and hips) for the year as well as the results of the Obedience, Tracking and Agility competitions. It also contains several interesting articles. Þorsteinn Thorsteinson and Linda Björk Jónsdóttir have researched all the material and put the yearbook together. The next yearbook will be available shortly. The price of the yearbook is ISkr.3.000.

### ◆ 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. The 2018 calendar is now available. Calendars can be purchased from Helga at [sindra@simnet.is](mailto:sindra@simnet.is). The price of the calendars is ISkr.1.500 each or ISkr.1.300 each when you buy 10 or more, plus postage.

### ◆ 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. (<http://www.dif.is>) Please send photos to [stjorn@dif.is](mailto:stjorn@dif.is).

### ◆ Icelandic Sheepdog Day

The 18<sup>th</sup> July, the late Mark Watson's birthday, is now celebrated as Icelandic Sheepdog Day here in Iceland. The choice of Mark Watson's birthday is in honour of everything he did for the preservation of the Icelandic Sheepdog from extinction from the 1950s to the formation of the Icelandic Kennel Club and 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.

### ◆ Summary

There were 11 DÍF board meetings in 2016, as well as a lot of matters discussed and dealt with through e-mails.

### ◆ Summary, continued

DÍF has a new board member, Stefanía Sigurðardóttir was elected to the board at this year's AGM. Arnfríður Inga Arnmundsdóttir and Sunna Líf Hafþórsdóttir were re-elected for another two year term. Margrét Bára Magnúsdóttir is the Chairman of DÍF, Arnfríður Inga Arnmundsdóttir is the Secretary and Helga Andrésdóttir is the Treasurer. Linda Björk Jónsdóttir left the board and we would like to thank her for her hard work and dedication during her time with us.

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

