



Nordic Championships for Icelandichorses in Åland in August 2022

The board of SIHY (Finnish Icelandic Horse Association) have announced today to NIHC (Nordic Icelandic Horse Collaboration) that Nordic Championships for Icelandic horse are held in 9.-14.8.2022 in Åland, in Mariehamn.

The Director of Competition is Jens Andersén from Åland and the Project Manager is Tarja Nordman. Mr. Andersén has been active member of Ålands local club Álenskur for many years and was the Director of Finnish Championships in Åland in 2013. Mrs. Nordman was the Director of Nordic Championships in Ypäjä in Finland 2010. The rest of the competition officials are selected in the beginning of September and the recruiting of volunteers starts as soon as possible.

Local club Álenskur build new track area for Icelandic horse competitions inside the Mariehamn racetrack in autumn 2020. This competition area includes oval track for Sport and Gaedingakeppni -classes and a pace track. In the middle of racetrack situates also the old oval track that will be used to warm up track. This brand-new competition area holds up to all international requirements. All the Mariehamn's services are nearby, which makes the location ideal for big international competition.

Nordic Championships gathers thousands of friends of Icelandic horse from all over the Nordic countries. This is the first time Finland organizes Nordic Championships including both Sport- and Gaedingakeppni -classes.

Next year is the 40th anniversary for SIHY and 25th for Álenskur. We will celebrate the whole year, but celebration culminates at Nordic Championships.

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