

FEI Courses for Coaches According to the FEI Coaching System Level 1 Vaulting Course for Coaches

Vemmelev (DEN): Sep 1-4 2016
FEI Tutor: John Eccles

In early September, Denmark hosted our first FEI Level 1 Vaulting Course for Coaches. We were fortunate to have Mr. John Eccles as our tutor. Mr. Eccles is very experienced both as a coach, chief steward, and judge. He has also been a frequent guest in Denmark as a judge at our national competitions, which made it easy to convince our trainers to join the course, even if they were a little hesitant about it being in English. To further assist with any language issues, I was present throughout the course to translate back and forth. The communication with the FEI and the tutor went very smoothly. All materials arrived well ahead of time.

Thank you to the local club for providing facilities at a very reasonable price, to the owners of the venue for ensuring high quality of surfaces and welcoming our participants and horses to their beautiful centre, and to several Danish clubs for providing 'guinea pigs', horses, help with catering, etc. This course was a team effort with great help and support from our clubs, trainers, vaulters, and families. Also thank you to the participants from our Nordic federations Sweden, Norway, and Finland.

In the future, we hope to organize a level 2 course also as a regional course for the Nordic region.

