

The Norwegian Trotting Association

DET NORSKE



TRAVSELSKAP



Norway:

- 11 race tracks
- 556 race days 2009
- 4.652 races 2008
- ca 5.500 active racehorses
- ca 200 prof. trainers
- ca 60 apprentices
- ca 3.000 amateur trainers
- Eur 451.000.000



Associations' Organization



Level 3. The
Norwegian
Trotting
Association
Board

Board: 5 members
elected by
delegates from
level 1 and 2

Level 2. District level
13 geographic units

Level 1. Member in a local club
185 clubs
Ca 17.000 members



History

Horse racing on frozen lakes and home
from church on sundays in winter time

1875: The Norwegian Trotting Association
established

1928: Betting on horse races legalized in
Norway (totalisator system)

1928: Bjerke racetrack in Oslo
established

1975: WTC in Oslo





History

1982: Norsk Rikstoto (betting company for horse betting) founded. Start of off-track betting

1995: Re-organizing of authority between sports organizations and the betting company

2009: WTC in Oslo



Relations between NR and horse sport organizations



Economy:

- NR offer betting on horse sport based on a license from the Norwegian government.
- Each track organized as an independent company owned by the trotting organizations district level
- All prize money, breeders bonuses, investments in tracks etc financed by NR

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Sports organizations:

- Sport, breeding, education, racing rules, recruiting.
- Political contact with central bodies
- International participation (WTC, UET etc.)





Challenges

- Recruiting:
 - new members
 - horse owners
 - young educated people
 - new breeders
 - new trainers



Challenges

- Good education programs for trainers, stewards etc.
- Keeping up anti doping work to increase the sports integrity
- Improve our reputation in media
- ...