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Dear HF friends, this is the last HF 16 newsletter.

HF 16 with about 100 participants took place on Monday-Wednesday 15-17 August, followed by two other HF meetings in Stockholm.

In his opening speech, the Gotland Battle Group Commander Lt Col Hans Håkansson mentioned a UN/NATO operation in Kosovo where the units involved used different equipment. As commander of that force, he had to use cellular phones and runners. The mission ended well; he and his crew are widely reknown for the success. No doubt, HF has a role in these arenas.



Hans Håkansson, Gunnar Eklund and Olov Carlsson at the flag ceremony (all photos: Marie Lindersjö).

Organisation Committee member Gunnar Eklund passed away a few weeks ago, very sad. He got blood poisoning; massive care could not save his life. Gunnar was secretary general in the beginning and also suggested the venue for the first (and all subsequent) Nordic Shortwave Conferences. After retirement, he settled on Gotland acting as our ambassador to that county.

Gunnar – we miss you. RIP.



The Best Paper prize was awarded to Sebastian Rauh, Friedrich-Alexander Universität Erlangen, on occupancy measurements.

In addition to the presentations of 20+ papers, we could listen to a live transmission from SAQ at Grimeton, UNESCO World Heritage. We also had many informal contacts in the exhibition area and during the social activities like sightseeing on the island of Fårö, the foxhunt (ARDF, amateur radio direction finding), music entertainment and the Rohde&Schwarz Bavarian buffet.



Olov Carlsson handing out a piece of art to HF 16 speakers.

On the Nordic HF website, you will find more photos and all presentations (same password as the Fårö camp WiFi).

We extend sincere thanks to the camp (the food was excellent!), to the organisers and to you, conference participants, without whom there would be no HF conferences on Fårö.

The first HF 19 newsletter will be published in 2017. Until then, please keep in touch on

www.nordichf.org

On behalf of the HF 16 team, we are looking forward to seeing you in 2019, August 12-14.

Olov Carlsson (chairman)

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