

## **Annual Report from Sweden for the season 2022-2023**

This season was a great season for crosscountry skiing in Sweden.

It's always good if there it will be snow in the area around Stockholm, and this winter it was! It means a lot, because so many people take part in races around Stockholm.

This years "Vasaloppets Skiweek" was a success with totaly more than 50.0000 participants. And the best of all it was a Swedeish winner in the mens class in the mainrace after ten years of dominanse from Norway. In the ladies mainrace it was a winner from Norway so they got some revenge.

### **MWC in Seefeld**

After some years with the pandemi it was great to have a "normal" Week in Seefeld.

The snowconditions was not the best but the OC done a great job. From Sweden it was 21 participants and 8 supporters. We took 8 gold, 1 silver and 6 bronze medals. The oldest man and the youngest women took 3 gold medals each. All medals in classic techniqe so we have to be better in the free technique. All participants was so excited to ski in this famous skiarena.

### **The Master Champion Ship in Sweden**

This year was the Master race in Örebro, in the middle of Sweden.

Our competition was included in a longdistans race, 40 km. 70 Master skiiers take part in the mainrace. The day before it was a short race, 5, 10 or 15 km, 20 Master skiiers take part.

### **For the future**

Masters in Sweden still have problem then we not have a good conversation with the Swedish Ski Association. We all think that they must take more responsibility for the Masters in Sweden.

Both the chairman of the board, Kjell Carlgren, and Rolf Hammar end their terms of office.

### **To the end**

I have been in the Masters for 13 year and I will thank all members of the board, both in Sweden, in World Master Association and all ND for good cooperation.

Take care and I look forward to see all of you in Mora 2024 when Vasaloppet celebrate the one hundredth race.

Kind regards!

Rolf Hammar