Pete Fraser, the EXCA Director of Judges and Judging, will be hosting 2 informal discussion groups, open to all EXCA Judges, at this year's World Show. There is no fee or advance registration required for any EXCA approved judge - just drop in at either (or both if you wish) session. The one-hour sessions are scheduled for Tuesday at 3:30 and 5:30 - in the grandstand seating area near the show office.

This is planned to be an informal but valuable opportunity for all judges to get updates, address a few key points of interest, address some of their local challenges and incorrect info, discuss some important "what if" scenarios, get your specific questions on judging related matters answered, and share unusual occurrences during competition that resulted in considerable discussion on the appropriateness of the judge's decision. The intent is to have an informative, focused, efficient (one-hour) session that will be beneficial to all judges -regardless of their experience.

In addition, Pete Fraser will again be offering a number of "shadow judging" opportunities throughout the show. Join Pete on the arena floor (when he is not formally judging the class) to score along with him, get practical incites, hone your skills while evaluating the best the EXCA has to offer at all levels of competition, and/or show you are ready to advance to greater assignments. Also, this is planned to be valuable and comprehensive enough for those in attendance that it will count as attendance at an official seminar-which will be so noted on the current judges list - often helpful when show managers are looking for judges for their shows. Sign up directly with him for available times.