

# Nordic Championship in Underwater Photography 2024



Finnish Divers' Federation

# The jury

## Ari Linna

Travel and landscape photography have always been close to Ari Linna's heart, and with diving he has become a passionate photographer of underwater landscapes. Currently, he mainly takes photos in mines and caves. This fall, his photo exhibition of the Ojamo mine is on display in Tytyri Mine Experience. Ari has also gained success in Finnish Championship in uw-photo competitions.



## Juha Syväranta

In his work, scientific diver and M.Sc. ecologist Juha Syväranta studies endangered mussels in currents and the underwater habitats of the Baltic Sea. From the beginning, his passion in underwater photography has been auks, which initially led to diving. Juha has published photo books about the nature of Northern Norway and Helsinki.



## Pekka Tuuri

Pekka Tuuri has been actively taking uw-photographs since 1992. His favourite waters are cold and murky! Pekka authored a coffee table book in 2013 (Vedenalainen Suomi, The Underwater World of Finland). He is a four-time Nordic Champion and is looking forward to competing again next year!



# Result of the total competition

	points
<b>1. Johan Björklund SWE</b>	<b>366</b>
<b>2. Nils Aukan NOR</b>	<b>246</b>
<b>3. Mats Forsberg SWE</b>	<b>189</b>
4. Gustaf Svensson SWE	171
5. Tommi Pasanen FIN	132
6. Andreas Ljung SWE	118
7. Martin Hanell SWE	104
8. Morten Sætrang Haakonsen NOR	99
9. Petri Niemelä FIN	90
10. Patrik Kolmodin SWE	89
11. Andreas Kron SWE	80
12. Fredrik Ehrenström SWE	78
13. Anne Mari With Ottesen NOR	66
14. Päivi Luoma FIN	45
15. Ulrik Carlsson SWE	43
16. Teemu Lakka FIN	35
17. Anders Larsson SWE	28
18. Petri Rekonen FIN	11
Kjell Williamsson SWE	0
Michael Jensen DEN	0
Lisa Svensen DEN	0
Lotta Mäkinen FIN	0

The competition was organized by the Finnish Divers' Federation. 22 participants took part with a total of 233 photos.

Jury's comment: The level of the close-up class was high standard and the competition for the highest places was fierce. For other series, photographers should pay attention to the characterizations presented in the rules in the future, so that the images better match the kind of images expected in each class. This time, the wide-angle class had plenty of close-ups and pictures of divers, which also had their own class.

Congratulations to the winners and thank you to all the participants!



### **Class A: Close-up**

1. Mats Forsberg SWE	107
2. Johan Björklund SWE	73
3. Morten Sætrang Haakonsen NOR	45
4. Gustaf Svensson SWE	44
5. Nils Aukan NOR	30
6. Patrik Kolmodin SWE	25
7. Anders Larsson SWE	24
8. Martin Hanell SWE	19
9. Andreas Ljung SWE	13
10. Ulrik Carlsson SWE	10
11. Anne Mari With Ottesen NOR	6
12. Fredrik Ehrenström SWE	2
Andreas Kron SWE	0
Kjell Williamsson SWE	0
Michael Jensen DEN	0
Päivi Luoma FIN	0
Petri Niemelä FIN	0
Lisa Svensen DEN	0
Teemu Lakka FIN	0
Tommi Pasanen FIN	0
Lotta Mäkinen FIN	0
Petri Rekonen FIN	0

### **Class B: Photo with a model**

1. Tommi Pasanen FIN	116
2. Andreas Ljung SWE	72
3. Päivi Luoma FIN	45
4. Fredrik Ehrenström SWE	41
5. Nils Aukan NOR	31
6. Anne Mari With Ottesen NOR	25
7. Gustaf Svensson SWE	19
8. Johan Björklund SWE	17
9. Martin Hanell SWE	15
10. Petri Niemelä FIN	6
11. Andreas Kron SWE	5
12. Ulrik Carlsson SWE	4
13. Morten Sætrang Haakonsen NOR	2
Mats Forsberg SWE	0
Kjell Williamsson SWE	0
Anders Larsson SWE	0
Michael Jensen DEN	0
Patrik Kolmodin SWE	0
Lisa Svensen DEN	0
Teemu Lakka FIN	0
Lotta Mäkinen FIN	0
Petri Rekonen FIN	0

### **Class C: Normal/wide angle**

1. Johan Björklund SWE	103
2. Gustaf Svensson SWE	65
3. Patrik Kolmodin SWE	45
4. Andreas Ljung SWE	32
5. Anne Mari With Ottesen NOR	30
6. Teemu Lakka FIN	25
7. Nils Aukan NOR	22
8. Fredrik Ehrenström SWE	18
9. Martin Hanell SWE	15
10. Andreas Kron SWE	12
11. Petri Niemelä FIN	11
12. Ulrik Carlsson SWE	8
12. Tommi Pasanen FIN	8
13. Mats Forsberg SWE	4
Kjell Williamsson SWE	0
Anders Larsson SWE	0
Michael Jensen DEN	0
Päivi Luoma FIN	0
Morten Sætrang Haakonsen NOR	0
Lisa Svensen DEN	0
Lotta Mäkinen FIN	0
Petri Rekonen FIN	0

## Class D: Freshwater

1. Nils Aukan NOR	100
2. Mats Forsberg SWE	78
3. Martin Hanell SWE	55
4. Andreas Kron SWE	51
5. Johan Björklund SWE	33
6. Gustaf Svensson SWE	22
7. Fredrik Ehrenström SWE	17
8. Ulrik Carlsson SWE	14
9. Teemu Lakka FIN	10
10. Patrik Kolmodin SWE	9
11. Tommi Pasanen FIN	8
12. Andreas Ljung SWE	1
Kjell Williamsson SWE	0
Anders Larsson SWE	0
Michael Jensen DEN	0
Päivi Luoma FIN	0
Petri Niemelä FIN	0
Morten Sætrang Haakonsen NOR	0
Lisa Svensen DEN	0
Lotta Mäkinen FIN	0
Petri Rekonen FIN	0
Anne Mari With Ottesen NOR	0

## Class E: Theme wreck

1. Johan Björklund SWE	140
2. Petri Niemelä FIN	73
3. Nils Aukan NOR	63
4. Morten Sætrang Haakonsen NOR	52
5. Gustaf Svensson SWE	21
6. Andreas Kron SWE	12
7. Petri Rekonen FIN	11
8. Patrik Kolmodin SWE	10
9. Ulrik Carlsson SWE	7
10. Anne Mari With Ottesen NOR	5
11. Anders Larsson SWE	4
Mats Forsberg SWE	0
Kjell Williamsson SWE	0
Michael Jensen DEN	0
Päivi Luoma FIN	0
Fredrik Ehrenström SWE	0
Lisa Svensen DEN	0
Teemu Lakka FIN	0
Tommi Pasanen FIN	0
Lotta Mäkinen FIN	0
Martin Hanell SWE	0
Andreas Ljung SWE	0