Individual Reflection Week 8

What do I want to learn or understand better?

This week I feel like I haven gotten more comfortable with coding in the tools we use and I have also gotten more familiar with the application of Scrum. Now I want to know more about scrum and how you can work with it to make sure that you continually develop the group and make sure that you work more efficiently. I also want to understand how Scrum can be applied to other projects that aren't about programming. I feel like it is a really good tool that can facilitate the work, and I would like to take it with me to other projects.

How can I help someone else, or the entire team, to learn something new?

As I have written in the other reflections I really do think that communication and working together is the key to learning new things. However I also feel that it is really important that the team is motivated and enjoys the work. When this is fulfilled the team will be more likely to be willing to actually look for new knowledge and this will therefore encourage knowledge development. By estimating correctly and making sure that the team has a good workload, and also making sure that everyone knows what's valuable and working towards the same goal, the team's willingness to learn new things will improve. With this in mind, if we had one more week I would really like to contribute to the team by making sure everyone is on the same page, and that everyone actually enjoys working with our project.

What is my contribution towards the team's use of Scrum?

This week I was a developer and contributed by participating in all meetings and making sure that we follow the Scrum process. I have also tried to make sure that we always go back to what's valuable for our client when we prioritize. Besides this I have also tried to make sure that we develop within the by bringing up questions like: how can we work more efficiently? and how can we reduce non productive work? This is something that I have tried to work with during the whole project, but I feel like it's first now later during the project I really understand the value in those questions. For example, during the project we have worked a lot in teams which have been good since we have learned alot and its nice to have someone to discuss with. However, this is something that can contribute to user stories taking longer time then it should have taken if we had done the user stories individually. This week I asked the group what they think about this, and we brought it up and discussed it. I think that even if we decide to continue work as we have done before, it is important to question the way we work and see if we really can't do anything to make it even better.

What is my contribution towards the team's deliveries?

This week I finished my user stories and by doing this I polished the application and made sure that something that our client saw as valuable was fulfilled. I have also contributed by actively participating when we have discussed the prioritizing of the user stories and by doing this I contributed to us making sure that what we delivered actually was valuable for our customer.