



World Association For Dalmatians



Curriculum Vitae on Canine Activities

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Worklife	I worked for the Bank Brussels Lambert (later taken over by ING). Now I am retired and try to be a good grandmother as well, which is not always so easy with all my travelling plans all over the world.
Family & Arts	My late husband Frans was the former chairman of ECDC – Wafdal. A dark period appeared in my life, when he became seriously ill in 2006. He shared with me so many interests in the dog world and after a long fight with cancer he died in 2011. I have a world famous fine art porcelain collection of all kinds of Dalmatian figurines, a result of selective searching for more than 49 years.
Dogs at present	I don't show any longer, but still have a Brussels griffon and the dogs of my son to spoil. All these dogs provide me great fun.
Dalmatians, And Breeding activities	My wonderful association with Dalmatians began in 1966. Together with my late husband Frans De Ridder, we bought a Dalmatian puppy: Pluto. He was the classical beginners fault: no pedigree and later on we had to realize he was deaf as well. His wonderful temperament let us decide to have more Dalmatians (not 101....). And we imported some English dogs, based on Brougham and Delvallie lines (going back to the old Greenmount and Washakie lines) and started to show very successfully. Soon we applied for our kennel name: "Irdally's". Under this prefix we have bred quite a number of champions. Later on our team expanded with the addition of Irish Wolfhounds and then you will understand our kennel name. We only have bred dalmatians and end of the seventies we decided to stop with Irish Wolfhounds. Some 30 years ago I developed a strong interest in a Belgian breed: the Brussels Griffon, especially the short haired variety (Petit Brabançon).
Judging	In 1973 I applied to become a judge and in 1976 I started to judge. Taking more breeds to judge also means we had to limit our "showlife". In 1996, I became Belgium's first female All Rounder. I have judged extensively, including assignments on all continents. I have been honoured to judge my beloved breeds at different World Shows, last time for Dalmatians: Helsinki 2014.
Functions	I am spending many hours, working for different breed clubs. Belgian Irish Wolfhound Club: founding committee member and the first chairman Belgian Chihuahua Club: chairman for a long time. Belgian Dalmatian Club: I was the editor for more than 40 and when my husband died, I took over the position of chairman. Belgian Junior Handling Club: founding committee member Belgian Griffon and Papillon Club: newly elected chairman Belgian Kennel Club: member of the Standard Commission WAFDAL: Vice chairman

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