## Report of the secretary (08.05.2021)

## For the period of August 2019 to May 2021

I haven't really been busy with my work in the past two years.

### What has happened in these two years:

I wrote the protocol of the last WAFDAL meeting and sent it to our members and our committee.

A newsletter was created, which I was able to send and also a HEALTH SURVEY, although it wasn't that easy to get the final version of it and of the results out of this survey I have no information until this day.

#### The WAFDAL can only live with its members

As far as our Members are concerned, there have been some changes, some more pleasing and others less so. With a lot of commitment, we were able to win some new "old" members, such as Norway, as a member again, which makes us very happy. Unfortunately, we have lost the Italian Dalmatian Club, which we very much regret. Unfortunately, we lost the Russian and the Croatian Dalmatian club "Dalmatinac" again, as both clubs have paid neither their membership fees nor the admission fee.

# Despite all this, I do not give up my belief that the WAFDAL can have a sense, if we all work TOGETHER...

The WAFDAL should become more open for any member!

In cooperation with some board members, we have created "NEW statutes", which makes it possible for an individual person with Dalmatian knowledge to become a member oft he WAFDAL and actively get involved, even without being a member of an association. As there are (now) some countries that have no clubs or associations (anymore), but quite interested and motivated Dalmatian breeders who could contribute and cooperate for the benefit of the breed here in the WAFDAL.

I WOULD ASK YOU to vote in favour of these statutes!

## **Cooperation in the Executive Board**

Volunteer work is an additional burden for all involved, that point is certain, and of course sometimes the cooperation does not work either as it might in best case. I would like to take the opportunity today to appeal to all of us members of the board that we may communicate better with each other, even if we do not always agree.

In the past, unfortunately, e-mails were sometimes not answered or ignored when they were perhaps not quite so agreeable.

This makes the work of a common cause harder for all of us. Let's put personal sensitivities aside and stick to the matter!

To make working together a little bit more personal, than to communicate via e-mails, I often prefer a personal conversation via phone, with the members concerned. Let's continue to work on it, perhaps with a little less need for the secretary to ask and organize everything, but with a little more proactivity of the individual board members!

Thank you in advance!

To all of you the PLEASE, let us work well together, then we can also achieve a lot for our race!

On a good and successful cooperation!

Yours sincerely Ursula Voitle