



ANDREJ KERPAN



My name is Andrej Kerpan, I am a conformation FCI International judge for FCI group X, lure coursing and 10 breeds group V judge from Slovenia.

The first breed I became involved with was the Irish Wolfhound. At that time, I gave priority to showing and took part in many shows around Europe with very pleasing results. My dogs went to BIS several times. With one of them achieving the World Champion title (Vienna 1996). But I love a good challenge too, so I also trained my wolfhounds for obedience until we got the first obedience certificate ever awarded to a sighthound in the history of Slovenia. After a few years of involvement in training – including at the highest level, with Border collies – I decided to devote myself entirely to my favourite breeds, the sighthounds.

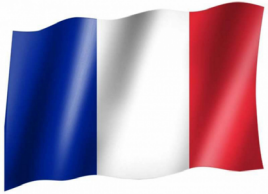
I'm focused on Whippets and with my dogs I take part in show and coursing events on a regular basis with excellent results. For example in 2015 one of my whippets became European Coursing Champion at her very first European championship event, at the age of 20 months.

I have been a member of the Sighthound Club of Slovenia for a very long time. Additionally, I have been a member of its Board for over 20 years and I am currently still on the coursing committee. In this function, I have been one of the promoters of lure coursing from its very start in Slovenia, and have successfully organised many International coursing events in Slovenia and abroad. I am the Slovenian and Serbian Kennel Club's examiner of the new candidates to the function of Lure Coursing judge and Lecturer of Lure Coursing and FCI X. Group.

Last few years I am publishing articles about dogs on the regular bases to the top Slovenian scientific magazin for kids Moj Planet.

During the last years I have been invited to host dedicated seminars for lure coursing enthusiasts in several European and non-European countries, and have officiated as a conformation judge in over 20 different countries.

Looking forward to be part of Argovia Sighthound shows 2021.



DR. PASCAL THIERY



FCI qualified judge for group 10 breeds and podencos-podengos-cirnenco-pharaohound in group 5.

I'm a vet by training and I'm specialized in poultry nutrition. I've been working as global technical director for an animal feed ingredient company.

I've been breeding Azawakhs since 1995, under the kennel name "Na'ema".

My first encounter with sighthounds was when I was still a student at the vet school, and I rescued an Afghan hound in 1986. I started being concerned in dog shows and breeds. This is where I met my first Azawakh, and I'm still fully involved in the breed even though I'm not really active on the breeding scene.

My first azawakh came in 1991, my first litter was born in 1995. I bred 13 litters in 15 years in which many coursing and beauty champions were raised. I'm very proud to be the breeder of the first Azawakh ever in UK and in Australia... I'm still sharing my life with 4 Azawakhs.

I was qualified as a judge in 2007 and finalized group 10 in 2017. I'm really pleased to have the honor of judging in your special event in Aarau and I really looking forward!



SIMON WULLSCHLEGER



Der erste Kontakt zum Windhund hatte ich bei Edith Lauper zuhause. Mit zehn Jahren lernte ich 1984 die Whippets von der Mühlehalde kennen. Zu diesem Zeitpunkt waren der liegende Wurf bei Mühlehalde aber schon vergeben und Edith leitete uns weiter zu unserem ersten Familienwhippet «Avalon's Emblem of Joy».

Dem ersten Whippet folgte 1998 "Avalon's Jumpin' Jack Flash". 2001 das erste Windspiel "Windsturm vom Pellerschloss» und 2003 Whippetrüde «Kia Ora Kea von der Mühlehalde».

Schliesslich heiratete ich 2006 die Zuchtstätte Silverhawk's.

Neben diesem persönlichen kynologischen Lebenslauf, welcher auf der Begegnung mit Edith Lauper basiert, haben sich in den letzten Jahren viele meiner Stunden um den Windhund gedreht.

Präsident des Whippet und Windspiel Clubs der Schweiz, Rasserichter Whippet und Windspiel, Coursingrichter, Bahnbeobachter, Messrichter, Coursing- und Ausstellungsleiter, Speaker und vieles mehr füllen meine Wochenenden und Ferien aus.

Lange Jahr begleitete mich auf diesem Weg Edith Lauper. Sei es als Beraterin, Mentorin oder gute Bekannte.

Ich habe mich über die Anfrage zum Richter dieser speziellen Ausstellung sehr gefreut. Ich denke, Ediths Zuchtziel eines schönen, eleganten Leistungwhippets deckt sich mit meiner Auslegung des Rassestandards.

In diesem Sinne freue ich mich, Sie und Ihre Windhunde im Ring zu treffen.