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FCI International Judge, specialized for RR, with possibility to CACIB appreciate Judge for Rhodesian Ridgeback (VI.FCI) & Thai Ridgeback Dog (V. FCI)

I have been interested in RR and showing the breed since 1995.

In 1999 became **president of RR breeders club in Slovakia**.

In 1999 published my first book in three different languages. Book consists of information from first dates of breeding of RR in middle Europe.

In 2001 – 2002 I became **judge for breeds** Rhodesian ridgeback and Thai ridgeback dog.

In 2002 I **imported two bitches from Australia and one male dog from USA** for breeding.

In 2004 – 2006 I was being the **chief breeder's advisor** for RR breed.

From 2009 to 2015 I was a member of "**RR breeding committee**" in Slovakian breeders club.

For more than 15 years I have been working as a litter controller with an emphasis on early detection of dermoid sinus in RRs.

Currently I am working for **Rhodesian Ridgeback fan Klub Slovakia**, in which together with my husband we provide and organize training days for socializing puppies and young dogs, educational events, mental tests, examinations, competitions, exhibitions and other sports cynologic event. We provide consulting and brokering, methodological and information services in the field of cynology and ethology.

I enjoy photography, creating and writing. I am the author of many professional articles on breeding, genetics and ethology. I design fashion clothing and accessories for ridgebacks in the company **abc4dog.com**

My published books

1999 **The Rhodesian Ridgeback – African in Europe**

2018 **The Rhodesian Ridgeback – Breeding with love and understanding**

2018 **The Rhodesian Ridgeback – Interpretation of standard and judgement methodology**

2019 **The Rhodesian Ridgeback – We'll have a puppy**

I am author of "**PREGNANCY CALENDAR**" and "**BREEDERS DIARY**". The on-line versions can be found on the **www.rr.sk**. They are translated into 20 languages and used by breeders of all dog breeds around the world.

Awards

2009 "**The merit of Grateful Ridgeback**" to mark the 15th anniversary of the Slovakian breeders club.

2013 "**Certificate of merit**" for exceptional work in promoting and breeding Rhodesian Ridgeback, awarded by the Slovak Kennel Union at the 20th anniversary gala evening where the highest honors for merits in development of Slovak kynology were awarded.

2016 "**Certificates of merit**" for my contribution to the breed development in Slovakia and my work and personal contribution to ridgeback breeding, presented by the RR fan Club Slovakia at the 25th anniversary of ridgeback breeding in Slovakia. These were awarded to me to recognise and appreciate my publications on breeding, ethology and promoting of the breed.

Together with my husband Richard we breed under the FCI kennels **TUSANI** and **TUSANI Junior**. Our dogs have been exported and now are continuing in breeding in Canada, UK, Sweden, Finland, Norway, Denmark, France, Switzerland, Italia, Germany, Netherlands, Belgium, Austria, Lithuania, Cyprus, Hungary, Czech, Croatia, Serbia, Bulgaria, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia...

I judged ridgebacks at Specialty and Club shows in France, Sweden, Denmark, Germany, Austria, Czech Republic, Hungary, Slovakia... In 2014 I had the great honor judge to **The Jubilee 50th RR Specialty Show in Sydney (Australia)**. It was an honor for me judge RRs also shows the European and World magnitude – RR WORLD SPECIALTY SHOW 2009 in Bratislava, VDH EUROPASIEGER 2012 in Dortmund, and RR WORLD SPECIALTY SHOW 2013 in Budapest.

Several events where I judged ridgebacks:

11/06/2022 - SRRS Specialty Club Show (Sweden)
14/07/2019 - CACIB Nürnberg, DZRR (Germany)
02/06/2018 - RR Fan Club St.Petersburg Specialty show (Russia)
27/08/2016 - Club E.L.S.A. Specialty show (Germany)
27/09/2015 - CACIB Tuln, RRCO (Austria)
04/10/2014 - **RR Jubilee 50th Specialty Championship Club show Sydney (Australia)**
20/09/2014 - RR Specialty Club Show (Denmark)
17/05/2013 - **RR WORLD SPECIALTY SHOW 2013 (Hungary)**
12/05/2012 - **VDH EUROPASIEGER 2012 Dortmund (Germany)**
31/03/2012 - RR Specialty Club Show (Hungary)
05/06/2010 - French Rhodesian Ridgeback Club Show (France)
25/09/2010 - RRCÖ Specialty show, CACIB, Bundessieger, CRUFT'S Qualification (Austria)
10/10/2009 - **RR & TR WORLD SPECIALTY SHOW 2013 (Slovakia)**
02/10/2009 - RR & TR Specialty Club Show (Hungary)
05/09/2009 - RR Specialty Club Show CKRR (Czech)
11/05/2008 - RR Specialty Show KCHRR (Czech)
10/05/2008 - RR Club Show KCHRR (Czech)
06/01/2008 - RR Specialty Show Gothenburg (Sweden)
13/10/2007 - VDH BUNDES SIEGER 2007 (Germany)
18/03/2006 - RR Specialty Club Show (Hungary)
22/08/2004 - RR Specialty Show E.L.S.A (Germany)
03/05/2003 - RR Specialty Club Show CKRR (Czech)

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More photos from my judging can be found on my website

