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What is your affix?

My first kennel name (which I registered as a child) was WINNING WAY'S, under which I bred American Cocker Spaniels and a litter of Whippets over a period lasting more than twenty years. I then married Mr. Alsina, who had his own kennel name, NAGUAL, for his Airedale and Yorkshire Terriers. We registered a new, joint kennel name: SPECIAL

When did you get your first dog and what breed was it?

My first dog was a mixed bred, and I loved him very much. My first show dog was a beautiful black American Cocker Spaniel. I was fifteen years old, and my dad bought it for me. From that very moment I became obsessed with show dogs and the dog game. A native Spanish speaker, I even learned English by studying the American Cocker Review.

What breed(s) do you have today?

Miniature Schnauzer; Airedale Terrier; Welsh Terrier, Bichon Frise, Yorkshire Terrier, Miniature Wire-haired Dachshund, Chinese Crested

What breed(s) have you bred?

Miniature Schnauzer, Airedale Terrier, Welsh Terrier, Bichon Frise, Yorkshire Terrier, Miniature Wire-haired Dachshund, American Cocker Spaniel, Maltese, Smooth Fox Terrier, Lakeland Terrier, a litter of Toy Poodles, a litter of Whippets.

Which one of your dogs has meant most to you (breeding, showing, other)?

This is a tough one to answer... As a professional handler, I showed the Afghan Hound Ch. Tully's Little Allen to #1 All Breeds in Argentina when I was 18 years old. Out of my own home-bred dogs... two Airedales: Fenomeno de Nagual is the first and still the only Argentine-bred dog of any breed to finish its British Championship (plus the American title), while Zeus de Nagual won the Best Bred By Exhibitor class at the Airedale Terrier Club of America National, Montgomery County, in 2001, groomed, as usual, by my husband and handled by myself. We're very proud of both dogs.

Apart from breed showing, have you worked your dogs in any other canine sports and, if so, what (e.g. field trials, working trials, obedience etc.)?

I worked some of my Miniature Schnauzers in obedience, but never competed in that discipline.

In what year did you qualify as a judge?

I begun judging my first breed (American Cocker Spaniels) in 1988, and got my all-breeds license in 2003.

What breeds do you judge?

All breeds.

What countries have you judged in?

Argentina, Australia, Uruguay, Chile, Brazil, Colombia, New Zealand, Peru, South Africa, the USA, Indonesia, Thailand, Venezuela, Paraguay, Canada, Bolivia, China, Sweden, Poland

Apart from canine sports, what other interests do you have?

I'm a professional singer (opera trained). Therefore, I'm particularly interested in music and all the arts.

What is your everyday job?

I sing whenever I have the opportunity, for weddings, parties, or whenever someone asks. I also translate English text books into Spanish for a Massachusetts-based American Company (Spanish Publishing Group).

Other?

I am looking forward to being part of another great canine event, the 2008 World Show.