

Biography

GÉRARD ROBINSON (SOUTH AFRICA)

Gérard Robinson acquired his first Long-haired Dachshund twenty-five years ago and started exhibiting shortly thereafter. He qualified as an all breeds judge in 2006 and has judged in the UK, USA, Australia and New Zealand. He has awarded CCs in three varieties of Dachshund in the UK and judged Wire-haired's and Best in Show at the Dachshund Club of America "Nationals" in Mesa, Arizona and in 2003.

Gérard served as the Secretary of The South African Dachshund Club for eight years, during which time he also edited the Club's journal, ***DachsYap!*** He has written numerous articles on the Dachshund and several of these have been reproduced in the journals of clubs in other countries.

Over the years Gérard has sought to improve the Long-haired gene pool in South Africa and imported three dogs from the UK and two from the USA. He's had remarkable success with his ***Nibelheim*** Longs in the show ring and his American import, ***Ch (USA) Siddachs Maestro to Nibelheim***, 'reigned' as South Africa's top show dog (all rating systems), in 1996 and 1997.

In 2011, Gérard was elected to the Federal Council of the Kennel Union of Southern Africa (KUSA). When not pursuing canine interests, Gérard specialises in copyright law and works in the field of intellectual property rights administration. He lives in Johannesburg.