

## GENERAL SECRETARY – REPORT 2014 / 2015 Lisboa, 30<sup>th</sup> September 2015

During the period between the 1st October 2014 and the 30th September 2015 INTERRA has been very active

## **Brief report:**

During this period, there was the INTERRA show, in July 2015 in Split, Croatia, and one representatives of the board were present. The INTERRA show had around 180 Terriers entered coming from all over Europe. The BIS was a Wire Fox Terrier, bred in the UK, but owned from a Brazilian exhibitor.

Also integrated with the INTERRA show, it was held a Seminar in cooperation between the Terrier Klub Zagreb, the organization of the Split Night Summer shows, and the INTERRA, on the grooming of the Terrier breeds. The seminar was held both in English and Croatian languages by Mrs. Suzanna Verstovsek Matakovic, Mrs Angela Ban and Mr Jurac Sokolic, and attended by several Terrier enthusiasts and was a huge success.

The Facebook page was updated several times during the year, with the results of the Interra show, results of Club shows, and links to our webpage (<a href="http://interra-terrier.com">http://interra-terrier.com</a>). The webpage was also updated with the relevant information regarding last year's Annual Meeting, reports and videos from the Interra show, and news about the Terrier club shows of our members.

The webpage has now also all the information about the Interra Specialist Judges, and some links to articles about Terrier breeds. More articles are welcome to be published. This is an important mean of communication and help on the divulgation of INTERRA subjects.

Austria has applied to become again member of Interra, this time represented by the Parson & Jack Russell Terrier Klub, and the candidature will be voted at the Annual Meeting in December. We are still trying to have more members from Latin America, doing several contacts but still the negotiations are running.

As we stated in last year's report, we may understand that changes can intervene in the board of the different countries-associations and these changes are not reported to the Committee of INTERRA. Even not all the necessary information is given to their successors; the Committee of INTERRA tries to keep updated. So the board of INTERRA decided not to exclude the countries from the list yet, in order of accomplishing our terms of agreement with FCI, and also because we hope that some of them pay, as it has happened before. But we reinforce the appeal to our members that when changing the board of the Clubs, transmit the information about Interra, and let Interra know who are the new representatives of each Club are.

Still INTERRA needs the collaboration of the member clubs. We received the programs for the Terrier National Speciality shows from very few of our members, and had put them on our webpage, but no other country has sent

any information regarding shows, results, working trials or seminars. It is our job to promote Terrier events organized by INTERRA members, but it is impossible to do so, if we are not told about them.

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