

As a child I wanted my own dog but it had to be smaller than the Golden Retrievers my mother was breeding , have minimal coat care & be an active energetic dog – as a result my first Tibetan Spaniel Sandarka Ima Lo-Li-Ta (a daughter of Ch Braeduke Rhum Bu of Kensing & CH Ima Blossom of Amcross arrived in 1978). Lotti was a wonderful introduction to the breed. She was a UK CC winner & dam of some beautiful dogs most notably my first UK CH Calamalca Chinook, the first American Tibetan Spaniel Champion Am CH Calamalca Cassidy & the first imported CH in Canada , Can Ch Calamalca Cari-boo.

I have never had more than 4 dogs & have been limited in my dog activity, first by education & then work, & sadly after 20 years with some bad luck (all male litters when I wanted a bitch, a pregnant bitch getting pyometra) , I lost my line. It was at this point my association with Scandinavian bred dogs started when I was offered Bio Bios Next Top Model. She quickly became a UK Champion, winning BIS at 2 club specialties in the UK. Nine years ago I was offered UK CH, Ir CH, Fr CH Avigdor Evangeline (Wendy) who became my first C.I.B. Ch & Swedish Champion. Wendy is the only Tibbie I have now but I also have UK, Sw & Fi Ch Playpoint Jackpot who lives mostly with my mother & my first parti-colour Vanessan Kylie who I co-own with Anja Hansson. My breeding bad luck has continued & sadly I have not had another litter- sometimes you just have to accept that ‘the Gods say no’ ...maybe there is still time to have a Jackpot daughter if he has the right wife ...

I have been judging since the 1980’s & my first overseas judging appointment was in Sweden in 1994 which started my love affair with this beautiful country & I have been so happy to live here in recent years. Jag är väldigt dålig på språk - så min svenska är inte så bra - men jag pratar perfekt Swenglish ;) !

The UK system of judging approvals is very different but as well as Tibetan Spaniels I judge Golden Retrievers, Bloodhounds ,& Lagotto Romagnalo at International level as well as other breeds in the UK.

I am so looking forward to judging the SSTS show – this really is my “heart show”