

## **Mrs. Marija Kavčič**



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Ræktunarnafn: Anatina

Some 40 years of living with dogs for somebody in her mid fifties might most probably be called a rather long doggy career. Marija started with Rough Collies in 1967, did some breeding and became actively involved in the co-ordination of breeding activities in Slovenia, and consultation assistance to the Slovenian breeders of numerous breeds, involving planning of the breeding combinations in many breeds.

In 1976 she got married and has two daughters - Ana and Martina (Tina). Out of their daughters' names Blaz and Marija composed the name of their kennel - ANATINA. They have used this name for 30 years, before that they were using a different prefix. In those early years in former Yugoslavia it was not very common for women to be dog judges, and Marija was the first woman to become a judge in Slovenia in early 70's - and is the only female All-round judge in Slovenia. To date she has judged in over 40 countries around the world, and believe that judges should keep in touch with breeding and showing.

As a breeder, she started with Rough Collies and has, together with her husband Blaž, built a consistent line. Their Collie breeding was very limited in numbers, but they have managed to breed some champions. About 20 years ago they added Samoyeds. This is the breed where they have done most of their breeding, showing and winning. As a dog judge Marija believes in emphasis on the type and good points of each dog and only then taking into consideration the weaker points. Marija is fluent in English.