

Guy André Pantigny 1958 – 2015

"In nature all comes in cycles"

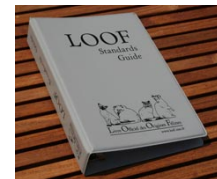
First cycles looks closed, but as you change your view - you will see cycles are open - open cycles with an elevation. As an end joins a start the single cycles begin to form a spiral – a spiral-of-life.

With this article we start to build a projection of Guy André Pantigny's spiral-of-life by presenting different cycles to you.

Can you enlighten our memories by providing a cycle you shared with Guy Pantigny? Please send your cycles in short text summaries to Sophie Duperrier (lesvercheres@wanadoo.fr) till end of November. The goal is to publish a great projection of Guy André Pantigny's spiral-of-life in the December newsletter – the last newsletter of this year.

To give you some ideas we publish some cycles already collected and start the projection of Guy André Pantigny's spiral-of-life right now!

Guy André Pantigny focused his early activities about cats with his first organization 'Suprême Conseil féminin de France' in the early 1980 years. To true reflect Guy's vision about cats nobody else than Guy himself wrote all the breed standards - draw the sketches and figures of cat bodies & faces - named all the specific expressions to describe a cat. By November 1996 Guy's organization was renamed to 'Livre Officiel des Origines Félines', known as LOOF, and became the official cat registration authority of France, Europe – Guy Pantigny was the very 1st director of LOOF. Imagine Guy's breed standards and all his drawings became 'per se' the reference model for all pedigree cats in France with only minor adaption till current time. Guy André Pantigny remain active judge in LOOF and other European cat organization till late 2012.



Cycle donated by Sophie Duperrier, France, Europe
Cycle written by Reto Gfeller, Switzerland, Europe

Guy's first contact with CFA was as guest-judge in Canada in 1985 and multiple times in USA. The idea to bring CFA to Europe, to France goes back till these early contacts. Guy was an active supporter for the very 1st CFA show in Paris in 1987, as nobody else than Guy provided the cages and further show equipment. In 1992 fundament for 'Cats'N cats' organization was built to bring together people & friends with same interest in cats & cat shows. By 2012 'Cats'N cats' joined CFA and in same year 'Cats'N cats' hosts their 1st own CFA show. With passion & dedication 'Cats'N cats' holds today 2 traditional dates and is committed to continue with CFA and CFA show production.



Cycle donated & written by Sophie Duperrier, France, Europe

So many have been touched by this unique, funny, tempestuous, loving, caring and beautiful man. Arie Gronewegan and I (George Cherrie) had the pleasure to be a genuine friend of Guy Pantigny. We judged for Guy at many of the unbelievable shows he organized in France, long before LOOF existed. Guy was **the person** who changed the French Cat Fancy and took it to new dimensions. Guy was loved by many, and used by many.

Guy Pantigny was a superb judge - Guy judged to his own high standards, never influenced by any other judge - Guy spoke his mind, in typical French style, when needed, he was just simply 'Guy'.

We laughed together, and we really did laugh, we cried together, and, yes, we really did cry. Even in the biggest struggle that any person can go through, his fight against cancer, we laughed, and we cried.

Cycle donated & written by George Cherrie, Netherlands, Europe



Guy was well known in Europe as Independent then LOOF and final as CFA judge. Guy was president of the largest French Independent club and he wrote the most comprehensive Standard - Guy staged some of the largest cat shows in France.

Guy will be remembered by many of us for his sharp wit, excellent judging and vast knowledge, as well as a very naughty streak and being oh, so very French.

Cycle donated & written by Johan Lamprecht, Cape Town, South Africa



More cycles written about the recent past months of this year (2015) already exists - to be published in December Newsletter.

Everybody who had the honor to share a cycle with Guy André Pantigny realizes and knows till current time that Guy was always present to help others – his helping hands will be missed.

The last important cycle is not yet closed completely – Guy Pantigny truly spend his last energy to close the cycle and reach the next level – as Guy has left to higher spheres other hands are required now to finish this last goal – please show us your support to close Guy's last cycle [here](#).

