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He became an active member of the Dutch Orthopaedic Society, of the Netherlands Rheumatoid Arthritis Surgical Society, of the European Rheumatoid Arthritis Surgical Society, and of the Dutch Orthopaedic Foot and Ankle Association. Furthermore, from 2002 to 2005, he worked part time as an orthopaedic surgeon at Kliniek de Lairesse, Amsterdam. He discontinued this position in order to have more time for scientific work.

Since 1989 he is happily married to Nadia Harize. They have one daughter, Irena ('91), who this year will graduate from secondary school (gymnasium, N&T). From his first marriage he has two fine sons, Juriaan ('77) and Wouter ('79). Besides for orthopaedics, he has a great passion for sailing: regatta sailing both inshore and offshore; as a member of race committees; as a supporter (together with Nadia) of Irena's dinghy sailing; and as a leisure sailor with family and friends.

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