

Profile

Miss Heather Burlton

Knocknaros Irish Wolfhounds

On return from Military life in India, Heather and her parents lived in England for a number of years before coming to settle in Ireland in the early 1960's.

Ballykelly Sweeney, (Ballykelly Torram x Ballykelly Cead Mile Failte) born in 1963 was Heather's first Irish Wolfhound. Sweeney was bred to Ch. Connel of Nendrum in 1967 and produced some excellent hounds three of which had an influential effect on Irish bred lines. Heather kept two of this litter herself; Champion Cu-Cuhlann Mor and his sister, Maeve Regina. Cu became the leading light of Heather's line. His many outstanding wins included Reserve Best in Show on St. Patrick's Day and Best in Show at the Irish Breed Championship show.



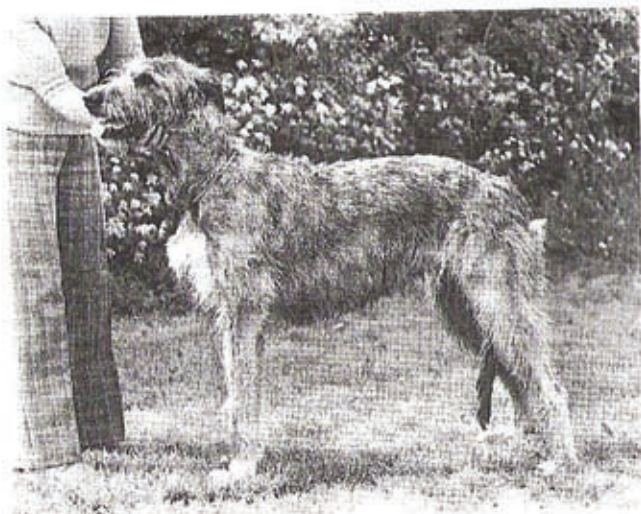
Cu winning Best in Show, Irish Breeds with Mr. Peter Delaney, Heather and Mr. Jack Sweeney.

Cu's daughter, Ballinteer Cara, was dam of Miss Seale's Champion Ballykelly Errislannan Liam. Liam in turn sired Irish/UK Champion Nutstown King, an outstanding hound behind many of today's Irish lines. Cu's son, Carrokeel Finn of Weaver Point was Best Dog at our 1974 Breed Championship show under General DeQuoy, USA. Cu, himself a height cup winner, passed on his size to many of his progeny.



Maeve Regina

Cu's sister Maeve Regina was bred to Aron of Nendrum in 1971. This litter produced Eileen, Eimear and Fionlan of Knocknaros, hounds still present behind some Irish lines.



Eimear of Knocknaros

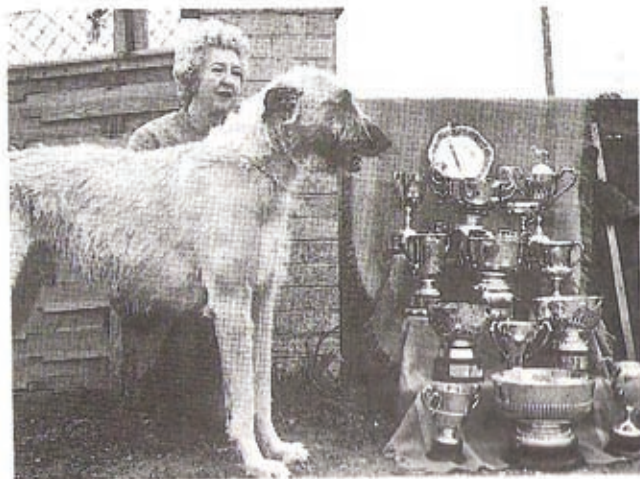


Finbar of Ballytobin

In addition to Ch Cu-Cuhlann Mor, the Ballykelly Sweeney x Ch Connel of Nendrum litter produced Finbar of Ballytobin. Finbar, a lovely hound owned by the late Dr. May was not shown to any great extent but his excellence was passed on to his progeny, two of whom became champions; Can Ch Cora Charmer and Ch Baldwin of Glenview had the distinction of being the first Irish Wolfhound French champion.

Heather's family were also well established breeders and exhibitors of Standard Smooth Dachshunds.

Elizabeth C. Murphy



Cu admiring the trophies he won in 1970.