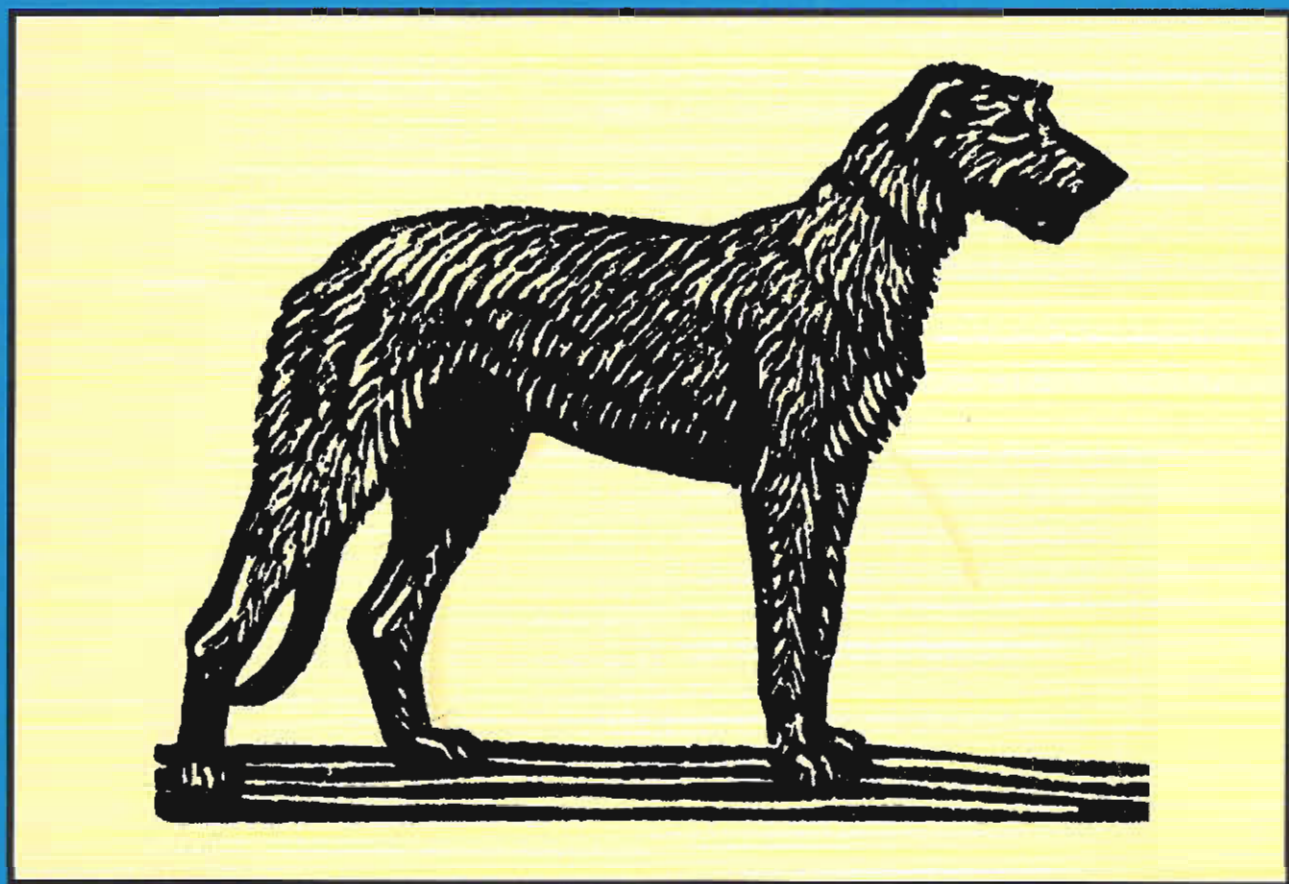


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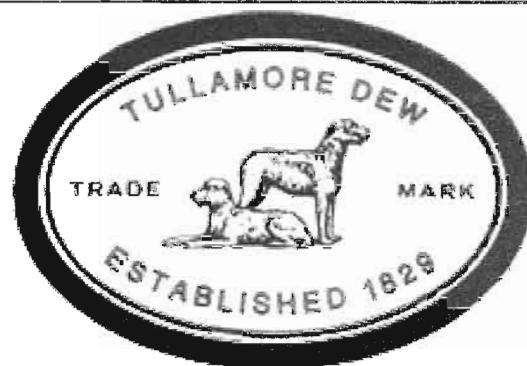
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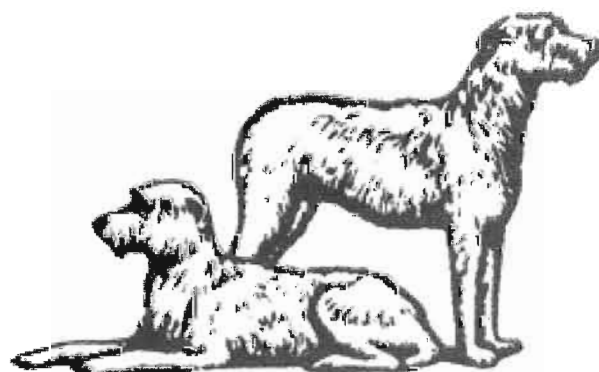
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THE IRISH WOLFHOUND

The standard of excellence and Net of points in order of merit.

- 1 General appearance:** The Irish Wolfhound should not be quite so heavy or massive as the Great Dane, but more so than the Deerhound, which in general type he should otherwise resemble. Of great size and commanding appearance, very muscular, strongly though gracefully built, movements easy and active; head and neck carried high; the tail carried with an upward sweep with a slight curve towards the extremity. The minimum height and weight of dogs should be 31 inches and 120 pounds; of bitches, 28 inches and 90 pounds. Anything below this should be debarred from competition. Great size, including height at shoulder and proportionate length of body, is the desideratum to be aimed at, and it is desired to firmly establish a race that shall average from 32 inches to 34 inches in dogs, showing the requisite power, activity, courage and symmetry.
- 2 Head:** Long, the frontal bones of the forehead very slightly raised and very little indentation between the eyes. Skull, not too broad. Muzzle, long and moderately pointed, ears small and greyhound-like in carriage. Bite, scissors ideal, level acceptable.
- 3 Neck:** Rather long, very strong and muscular, well arched, without dewlap or loose skin about the throat
- 4 Chest:** Very deep. Breast wide.
- 5 Back:** Rather long than short. Loins arched.
- 6 Tail:** Long and slightly curved, of moderate thickness, and well covered with hair.
- 7 Belly:** Well drawn up.
- 8 Forequarters:** Shoulders muscular, giving breadth of chest set sloping. Elbows well under, neither turned inwards nor outwards. Leg. Forearm muscular, and the whole leg strong and quite straight.
- 9 Hindquarters:** Muscular thighs and second thigh long and strong as in the Greyhound, and hocks well let down and turning neither in nor out.
- 10 Feet:** Moderately large and round, neither turned inwards nor outwards. Toes, well arched and closed. Nails, very strong and curved.
- 11 Hair:** Rough and hard on body, legs and head; especially wiry and long over eyes and under jaw.
- 12 Colour and markings:** The recognized colours are grey, brindle, red, black, pure white, fawn, or any colour that appears in the Deerhound.
- 13 Faults:** Too light or too heavy a head, too highly arched frontal bone; large ears and hanging flat to the face; short neck; full dewlap; too narrow or too broad chest; sunken or hollow or quite straight back; bent forelegs; overbent fetlocks; twisted feet; spreading toes; too curly a tail; weak hindquarters and general want of muscle; too short in body; pink or liver-coloured eyelids; lips and nose any colour other than black; very light eyes.

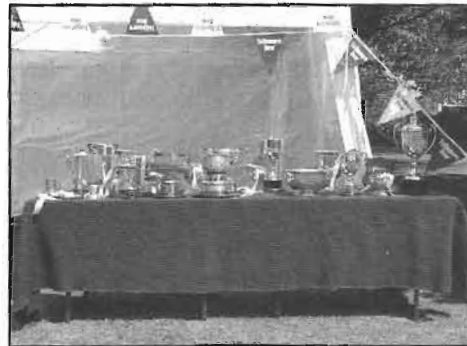
List of Points in order of Merit

1. Typical: The Irish Wolfhound should not be quite so heavy or massive as the Great Dane but more so than the Deerhound, which in general type he should otherwise resemble.
2. Great Size and commanding appearance
3. Movements easy and active.
4. Head, long and level, carried high.
5. Forelegs, heavily boned, quite straight; elbows well set under.
6. Thighs: long and muscular; second thighs, well muscled, stifles nicely bent
7. Coat, rough and hard, especially wiry and long over the eyes and under jaw
8. Body, long, well ribbed up, with ribs well sprung, and great breadth across hips.
9. Loins arched, belly well drawn up.
10. Ears, small, with greyhound-like carriage.
11. Feet, moderately large and round; toes close, well arched.
12. Neck, long, well arched and very strong.
13. Chest, very deep, moderately broad.
14. Shoulders, muscular, set sloping.
15. Tail, long and slightly curved.
16. Eyes, dark.

Note: The above in no way alters the 'Standard of Excellence' which must in all cases be rigidly adhered to: they simply give the various points in order of merit. If in any case they appear at variance with Standard of Excellence it is the latter which is correct.

The Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland Championship Show

Sunday 8th June 2003



It was a great honour and such a pleasure to be invited to judge the Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland this year which was held at Celbridge Co Kildare on 8th June.

Beautifully set out in a most lovely and ideal parkland setting with shade and very adequate space for this excellent entry. I would like to thank the President and extremely hardworking committee for making my visit to your wonderful country so pleasurable. I was made so welcome and indeed the hospitality was superb. Thank you again. I really enjoyed my judging and the spirit and enthusiasm of the exhibitors and the sporting way that the awards were accepted really made me feel so welcome.

I was impressed by my entry, the quality and type of the Irish Wolfhounds, that were so well presented, was extremely high. Overall your breed is very strong with many outstanding exhibits, at times quite hard not to be able to place as many as I would have liked. I was impressed by the type and quality and overall soundness of your hounds, the wonderful fitness and commanding appearance, the kind temperaments and gentle curves that make these sighthounds so very special. From the noble heads and impressive outlook, through to their wonderfully unexaggerated outlines, I was delighted and felt very privileged to have had the opportunity to handle and access such magnificent hounds.

I would like to say "thank you" to the exhibitors for the very sporting attitude in which the awards were accepted. Temperaments were ideal and presentation was superb. I was pleased to have had the opportunity to judge such hard, muscular, superbly fit hounds. This was the highlight as sadly today it is not as commonplace as yesteryear. To me, this is the ultimate in an Irish Wolfhound.

PUPPY DOG



1. Lloyd-Jone's ADMIRAL OF NUTSTOWN AT NIGHTWING

Well balanced, excellent size and substance, good outline, pleasing head, dark eye, neat ears, good front, bone and feet, good depth, sound free movement.

2. Hanley and Brown's BUCHAILL DAINEAL CUNAARDRI

Pleasing overall outline, not as mature as winner. Good head, dark eye, good front. Shade finer all through, good over topline, sound hindquarters, moved well.

3. Curran's MARSHGROVE CIARAN OF NUTSTOWN

JUNIOR DOG



1. Tebbutt's CAREDIG JUPITER

Outstanding youngster of superb make and shape, beautifully balanced and extremely sound both ways, has an ideal head and expression, small ears, great neck and carriage, very good front assembly, good depth and topline, strong bone and feet, strong loin and angular hindquarters, good free and effortless movement. Reserve Dog Green Star.

2. Damian's IONTACH AIDAN

Pleasing wheaten youngster of good type and substance. Good bone and feet, excellent depth and outline, strong hindquarters, not so free on the move as winner, shown in excellent coat

NOVICE DOG



1. Fitzpatrick-Odahamier's BRIAN BORU CUNAARDRI

Somewhat tense dark brindle, but all over a quality hound of good size and substance, excellent strong neck let into well laid shoulders, good bone and feet. Strong croup and hindquarters. On the move he was free moving and sound.

2. Donnelly's DYMPNER FLINT

Wheaten, different in type, well made overall and strong. I preferred the head and eye of winner. Good muscular neck, front assembly too steep and a shade wide in front. Great depth and hindquarters quite good. Winner won on movement. Shown in excellent coat, harsh and fit.

GRADUATE DOG



1. Peiler's KNOCKNAREA SOLAMH

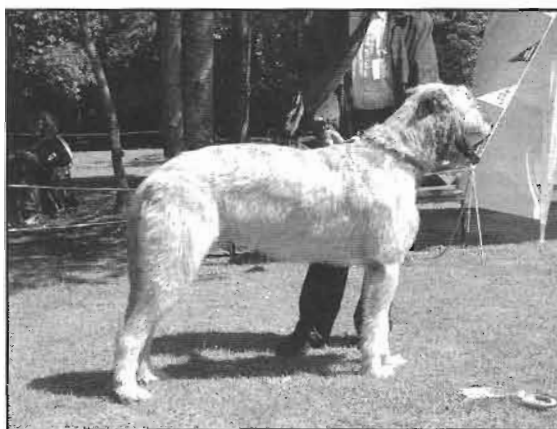
Strong and well presented red of large proportions, very good head and dark eye, neat ears, excellent neck. A hound of great presence, excellent bone and feet, great depth and spring of rib. In superb harsh coat, good topline and strong hindquarters. Excellent front assembly. A hound with curves, balance and type.

2. Kelly's MILLENIUM OF NUTSTOWN

Close up, another hound of superb balance and type, good head and dark eye, neat ears, front assembly good, strong bone. Turning in nearside toe today. Strong sound hindquarters, little separated these two.

3. Jenkin's CASHEL OF NUTSTOWN

LIMIT DOG



1. Kelly's ROSSA OF NUTSTOWN

A lovely quality hound in excellent form here today. Great size, bone and substance, good strong reachy neck, excellent head and dark eyes, great depth and strong over loin. A little straight behind, but moved true in hocks, very free mover presented in excellent coat and condition, a truly workmanlike hound.

2. Finney's GULLIAGH ZAPATA

Dark grey of lovely type and quality, with excellent flowing lines, good head and dark eyes, good front, bone and feet, excellent depth and hindquarters. Winner just had the edge in movement today.

OPEN DOG



1. Peiler's CH KNOCKNAREA PHELIX

Impressive dark brindle with great scope, substance and presence. He has a very good head and expression. Excellent front, bone and feet, great depth and curvy outline, muscular and strong, well let down hindquarters, good strong hocks, overall wonderful balance and angulation. Presented in excellent coat and condition. Green Star Dog and Reserve BOB

2. Kelly's CH THE BLACK KNIGHT OF NUTSTOWN

Close up, overall lovely balance, with lovely head and neck. I preferred the forehead of winner who had a more curvy outline and was more positive in rear movement. Two outstanding hounds excelling in type and balance.

3. Finney's GULLIAGH ZEST

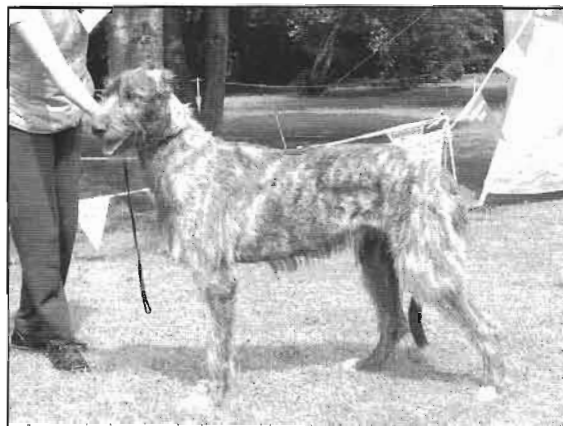
VETERAN DOG



1. Fitpatrick-Odahamier's CHAPELLEIGH NARMAN

Tall upstanding hound of 7.5 years. Somewhat fine all through, pleasing head and expression, good balance and body, shown in good harsh coat, nice balance and underline, showed extremely well.

PUPPY BITCH



1. Hartley's MONAGEER AINE

Dark brindle, immature on the day, but very curvy and extremely sound, free and easy mover. Sweet head, excellent front and layback of shoulder, good topline, lovely curves and a lot of promise.

2. Kelly's ANGEL OF NUTSTOWN

Wheaten, well grown and beautifully presented. Good head, front, good strong bone and feet, excellent depth and pleasing over loin, very good hindquarters. Preferred the curves of winner and sounder in movement.

3. O'Keeffe's APPLEVALE LOEL OF CALCARA

MINOR PUPPY BITCH



1. Charles's APRIL OF RATHCREEVAGH

Attractive, promising fawn brindle of pleasing quality and type. Quite sound, nice head, has good balance, correct front and sweeping hindquarters.

2. O'Keeffe's ANNUANA OF RATHCREEVAGH OF CALCARA

Taller and more angular wheaten, not so settled in movement and feet not so good as winner. Excellent depth and outline.

JUNIOR BITCH



1. Tebbutt's CAREDIG JEZEBEL

Outstanding hound. Dark brindle, has size, outline and quality. Curvy and very sound, sweet temperament, very nice head and neck, excellent bone and feet. Wonderful type with graceful lines and her movement is a joy, strong and very sound at 16 months.

2. Peiler's JUXTALIA ITA OF KNOCKNAREA

Really superb dark brindle, so feminine and curvy, super front, bone and feet, winner maybe stronger in head, excellent body, ribbing and hindquarters, very sound.

3. Lloyd-Jone's RAVENSBECH JAEAL AT NIGHTWING

NOVICE BITCH



1. Kelly's GOLDEN LADY OF NUTSTOWN

Won this class with ease, good type and excellent hind movement. Good head, front, strong bone and feet. Excellent shoulder placement, harsh coat, strong hindquarters. To be critical, would prefer her not to toe-in in front. Excellent ribs and body, superbly presented.

2. Hanley and Brown's SCEOLING CUNAARDRI

Grey brindle, not so positive as winner in hind movement, good head and pleasing small ears, excellent depth. A bit flat in outline and hindquarters. Not so positive as 1 in movement.

3. Donnelly's DYPNER O MY DARLING

GRADUATE BITCH



1. Finney's GULLIAGH NEDINE

Lovely grey brindle of wonderful type, size and quality. Coat could be tidier, but overall so shapely, curvy and sound. Lovely headed hound with neat ears, dark eyes and excellent neck and forehand, good bone and feet, excellent depth and strong hindquarters with very good second thigh. Lovely on the move, just more correctly curvy than no 2.

2. Tugby's RYNCHANNON COWBOYS N KISSES

Lovely grey brindle. Close up here, but lost in hindquarters to above, but all quality and feminine and so sound. Excellent head and expression, presented in hard, fit form and well handled.

3. Redmond's DRUMNACUR NEESHA

LIMIT BITCH



1. Finney's GULLIAGH NARNIA

Hard to divide the first two. Quite outstanding bitches in size, type and quality, so sound, free and easy movers. Wonderful temperament, lovely outline and such a clean front, so well laid back, best of legs and feet, excellent depth and strong hindquarters. Presented in fit and hard condition. Reserve Green Star Bitch.

2. Kelly's SALLY OF NUTSTOWN

So well balanced and sound, typical dark brindle with such a good front, very curvy, good legs and feet. Excellent ribbing and depth, best of hindquarters, beautifully turned out, very fit and hard condition.

3. Carney's INCHCRAIG NIAMH

OPEN BITCH



1. Peiler's CH KNOCKNAREA PANACHE

Wonderfully presented red wheaten who has everything. Size, quality, type and soundness and the lengthy curvy topline that I look for in a sighthound. A great body, best of heads, excellent front, bone and feet, great depth, best of hindquarters and moved so soundly and positively both ways. Extremely hard and fit. A superb example of the breed. Green Star Bitch and Best of Breed.

2. Kelly's MY BERNIE OF NUTSTOWN

A very lovely and typical hound. Black brindle full of quality and excellent type. Sweet head, good front, great depth, good bone and feet, strong topline and excellent hindquarters.

3. Finney's GULLIAGH ZAMORA

VETERAN BITCH



1. Kelly's CH CASHLA OF NUTSTOWN

Glorious red, stunning body, make and shape. Lovely head and dark eyes. Superb bone and spring of rib. Lovely topline, she has all correct curves, excellent hindquarters, extremely sound and free moving. A great credit to her breeders.

2. Kelly's ATHCARNE FEENA

Lovely dark grey of superb quality all through, such excellent curves with good front, bone and feet. Well sprung ribs with deep chest, lovely curvy outline. Both a real credit to the breed.

3. Finney's CH/GB CH GULLIAGH SERENDIPITY

BARBARA HANNAFORD (Judge)

ROLL OF HONOUR

GREEN STAR DOG:

Peiler's KNOCKNAREA PHELI

RESERVE GREEN STAR DOG:

Tebbutt's JUPITER

GREEN STAR BITCH:

Peiler's KNOCKNAREA PANACHE

RESERVE GREEN STAR BITCH:

Finney's GULLIAGH NARNIA

BEST OF BREED:

Peiler's KNOCKNAREA PANACNE

RESERVE BEST OF BREED:

Peiler's KNOCKNAREA FELIX

BEST PUPPY:

Hartley's MONAGEER AINE

BEST BRACE:

Finney's 16/63.

BEST TEAM:

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GREEN STAR BITCH KNOCKNAREA PANACHE



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IN MEMORY OF RUTH JENKINS 1916 -2004



Ruth Jenkins and friends

It is with great sadness that I have to report the death of Ruth Jenkins the owner, jointly with her husband Leslie, of the world famous Eaglescrag Irish Wolfhounds.

Her death was a result of a fall on the Long Mynd near her home in Little Stretton Shropshire.

Ruth spent 30 hours prior to her rescue by the Air ambulance service stranded on the mountain with her beloved Irish Wolfhound "Patsy". Indeed Patsy acted in typical fashion and kept Ruth warm with her body heat during the long hours she waited to be rescued and it was Patsy's bark that finally alerted a

passer by to their plight.

Ruth was always one to respond to a challenge and obtained her degree in the 1930's followed by Post Graduate studies in Engineering after which she became a factory Inspector, a profession mainly occupied by men.

At this time she met and fell in love with Leslie and they married during the second World War and settled in Hertfordshire. After her two sons were born Ruth decided she would like to continue her association with the breed (she and her sister Noreen had a pet Irish Wolfhound when they were children) and she purchased her first wolfhound in 1951. The first Eaglescrag litter was born two years later but sadly was lost to hardpad. The next litter was not a success either and she and Leslie decided to make a new start. The Sanctuary kennel (May Atfield and Margaret Harrison) gave Ruth 'Kilfenora of Ouborough' one of the last bearing James Rank's famous affix. She was in whelp to the American import Ch Sanctuary Rory of Kilhone and proved to be a wonderful foundation bitch for one of the greatest kennels in the UK. Among her progeny was 'Ch/Ir Ch Carol of Eaglescrag' who went to Ruth's sister Noreen Twyman, a vet in Ireland, and founded her important Nendrum kennel.

Ruth's knowledge of the breed coupled with her stockman's eye (believe inherited from her grandfather) gave her the tools to produce a breeding line of exceptional quality, of great size, a shape befitting a galloping sight hound but with that Eaglescrag "Magic" that set them apart from others.

Their first champions here were 'Clindhu and Moira of Eaglescrag' and many more followed both at home and abroad. Indeed many of the kennels throughout the world have Eaglescrag as their foundation stock.

It would be difficult to say which of the magnificent hounds Ruth's favourite were though both Pat and I saw the great empathy between Ruth and 'Caio' on many occasions. We were very fortunate to live so close and have them both as our friends as well as our mentors. We have been able to walk on the farm at Pennar Fach with such greats as Caio, Fintan, Toby, Liam, Linnet, Iceflo, Catrin, Celeste, Justin, Jake, Kapitan and many more, discuss the breed, breeding (both dogs and cattle) and enjoy their knowledge of other matters such as botany on so many occasions over the years.

I am sure all those associated with the breed are sad to see the passing of such a remarkable person. She always had time for the novice exhibitor and gave freely of her experience when asked and encouragement at all times. The breed was her passion not only in its shape and form but also in its well being and she was one of the driving forces in the creation of the Irish Wolfhound Rescue Trust in 1967 along with Audrey Heggarty.

Her expertise as a judge was sought not only in the UK but also on the Continent and in the USA. Accompanied by Leslie she twice judged the American speciality. She also judged Deerhounds in the UK on many occasions.

Over the years Ruth has been deeply involved in the affairs of the Irish Wolfhound Club. She has held the position of Chairman, Vice President and was the President when she died.

Ruth will be greatly missed by all who knew her. Her legacy to us is the hounds she produced many of whom have contributed to the quality Irish Wolfhounds in the show ring today.

"She will never be forgotten"

P.V Pask. Chairman Irish Wolfhound Club.

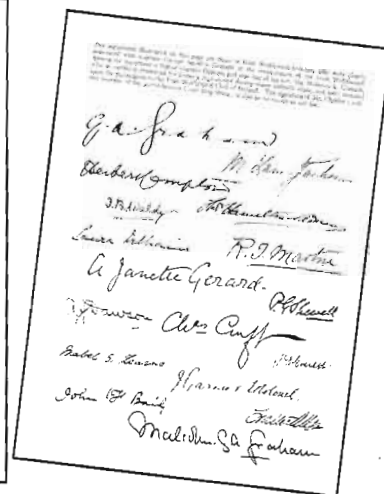
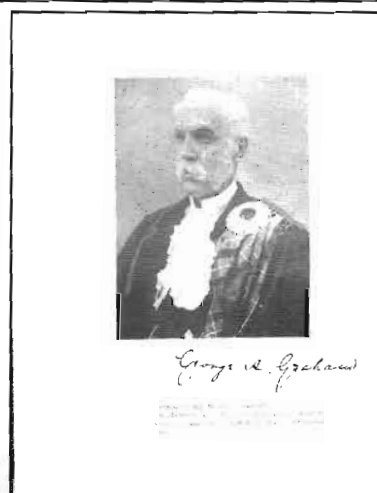
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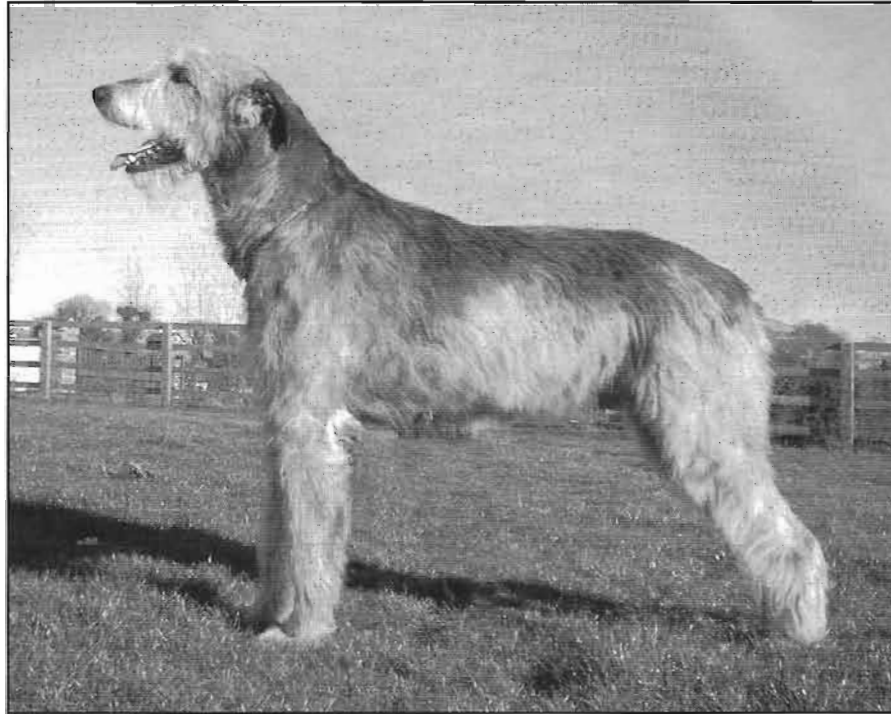


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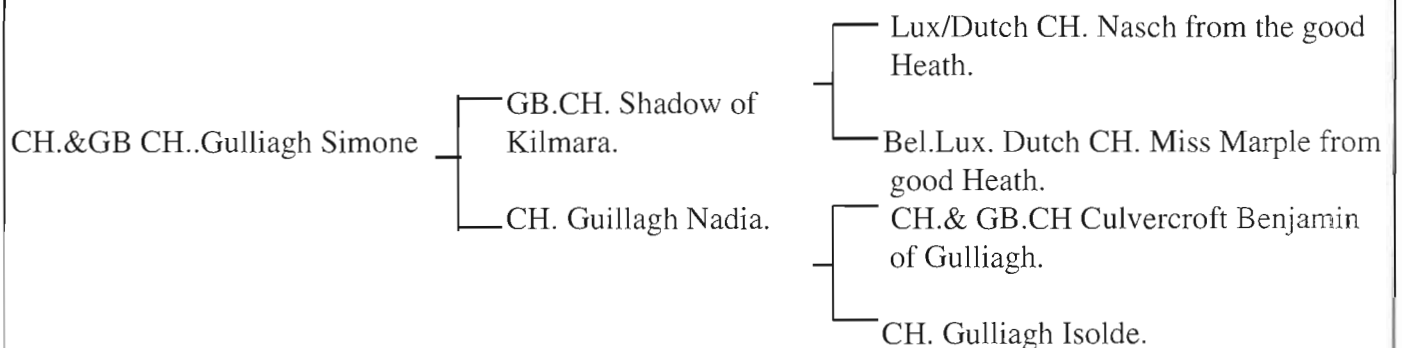
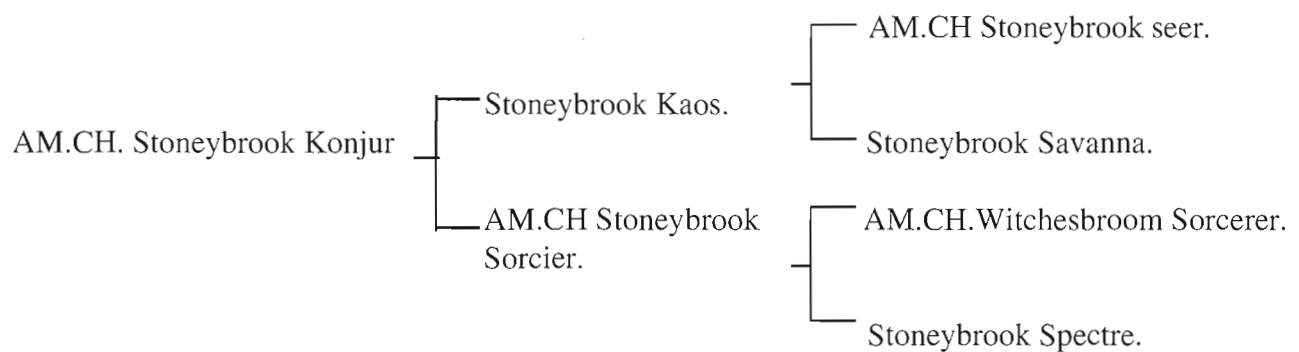
NEW CHAMPION 2003



CH. GULLIAGH ZEST

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Breeders: Mr. T.N & Mrs. M.A Finney.

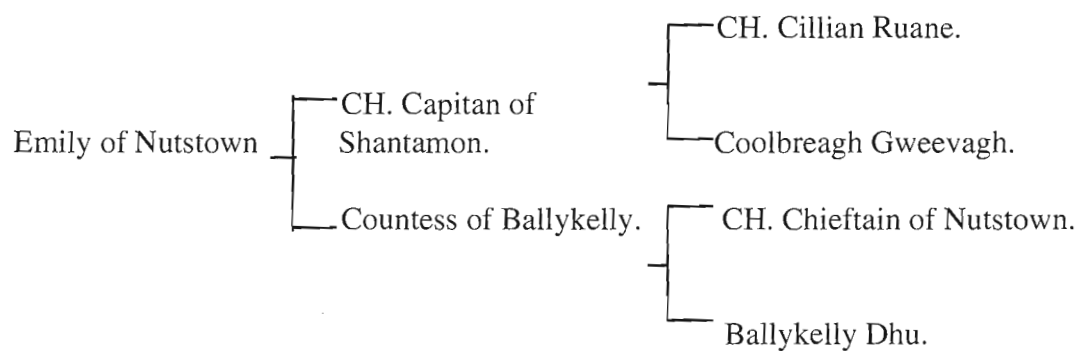
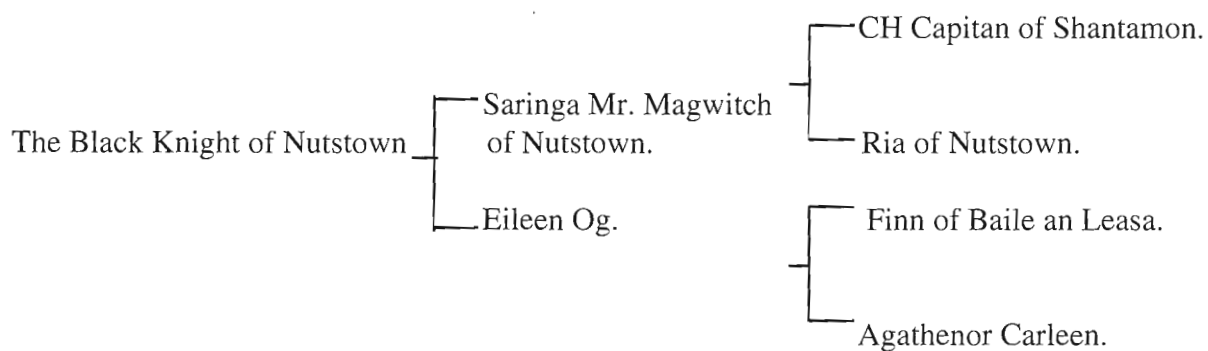


NEW CHAMPION 2003



CH. SALLY OF NUTSTOWN.

Owners & Breeders:
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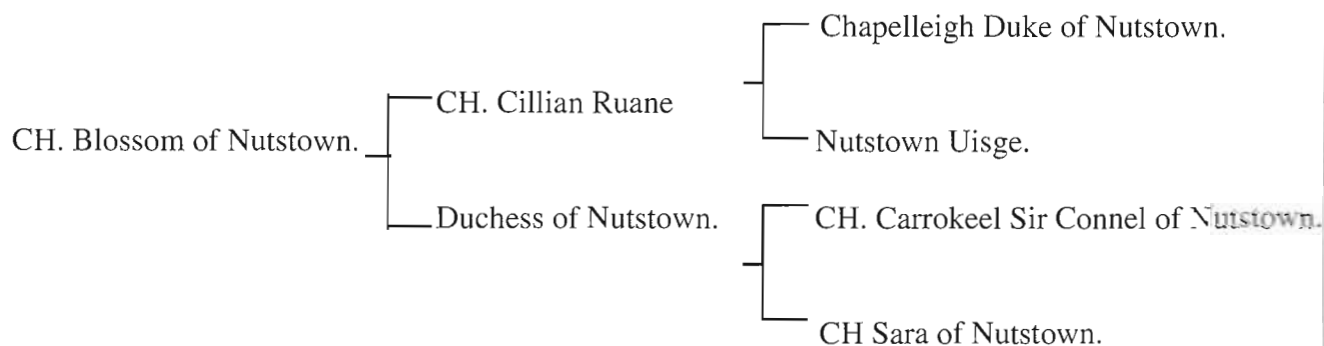
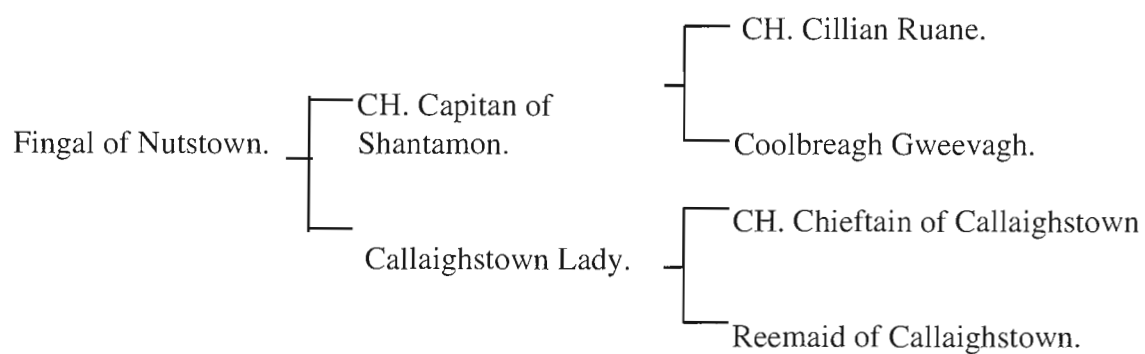


NEW CHAMPION 2003



CH. NUTSTOWN ADARE.

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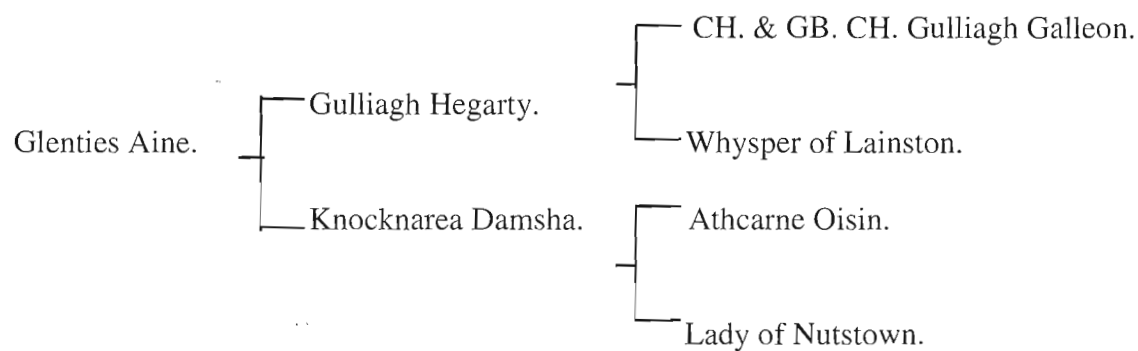
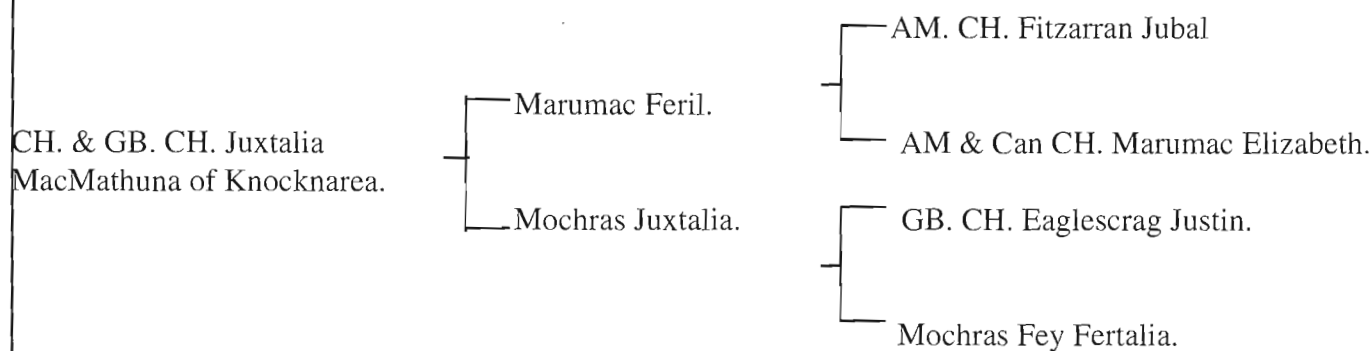


NEW CHAMPION 2003



CH. KNOCKNAREA ORLANDO.

Owners and Breeders:
Mr. & Mrs. U. & I. Peiler.



GREEN STARS WINNERS 2003

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| Irish Kennel Club | A Baskaran | Rossa of Nutstown | BOB | 10 | |
| | | Tarlog Ardara | | 10 | |
| Combined Canine | M Langer | Gulliagh Zapata | BOB | 8 | |
| | | Sally of Nutstown | | 8 | |
| Cork & District | K Stevenson | Cooladerra Moonshine | | 4 | |
| | | Sally of Nutstown | BOB | 4 | |
| Fermoy | E Wild | Rossa of Nutsotwn | | 5 | |
| | | Owenmore Chalcedony of Calcara | BOB | 5 | |
| South Tipperary | G Fottrell | Ch Knocknarea Phelix | BOB | 5 | |
| | | Sally of Nutstown | | 4 | |
| Hound Association | S Rathbone-Scott | Ch Knocknarea Phelix | BOB | 6 | |
| | | Sally of Nutstown | | 2 | |
| Hibernian | C Sturgen-Walkden | Ch Knocknarea Phelix | BOB | 4 | |
| | | Knocknarea Orlando | | 4 | |
| Irish Wolfhound Club | B Hannaford. | Ch Knocknarea Phelix | | 10 | |
| | | Ch Knocknarea Panache | BOB | 10 | |
| Swords | R Brant | Ch Knocknarea Phelix | | 5 | |
| | | Owenmore Chalcedony of Calcara | BOB | 5 | |
| Munster Agricultural | D Lawlor | Ch The Blacknight of Nutstown | BOB | 3 | |
| | | Owenmore Chalcedony of Calcara | | 2 | |
| Munster Canine | B Sheehan | Gulliagh Zest | BOB | 6 | |
| | | Gulliagh Namia | | 2 | |
| Kilkenny | P Lawlor | Ch The Blacknight of Nutstown | | 6 | |
| | | Owenmore Chalcedony of Calcara | BOB | 6 | |
| Bray | E Murray | Ch Knocknarea Phelix | | 6 | |
| | | Knocknarea Orlando | BOB | 6 | |
| Sligo | A McKenzie | Iontach Aidan | | 5 | |
| | | Sally of Nutstown | BOB | 5 | |
| Dundalk | M Hughes-Hall | Ch Gulliagh Zest | | 6 | |
| | | Gulliagh Zamora | BOB | 6 | |
| Monkstown | H O'Donoghue | Ch Gulliagh Zest | BOB | 6 | Group+3 |
| | | Sally of Nutstown | | 6 | |
| Hound Association | P Heikkinen-Lehkonen | Gulliagh Zapata | | 7 | |
| | | Owenmore Chalcedony of Calcara | BOB | 10 | Group |
| Clonmel | T Vourinen | Ch Gulliagh Zest | | 10 | |
| | | Owenmore Chalcedony of Calcara | BOB | 10 | |
| Killarney | J Wauben | Ch Gulliagh Zest | BOB | 8 | Group-2 |
| | | Rynchamon Cow Boy Kisses | | 8 | |

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| GREEN STAR WINNERS 2003 (CONT) | | | | |
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| Limerick | M Forte | Ch The Blacknight of Nutstown | 7 | |
| | | Sally of Nutstown | BOB | 10 |
| Tralee | P Foodstad | Ch Gulliagh Zest | 7 | |
| | | Knocknarea Orlando | BOB | 8 |
| Drogheda | V Clark | Nutstown Adare | 5 | |
| | | Marshgrove Molly | BOB | 8 |
| Carlow | T Johnston | Ch The Blacknight of Nutstown | 5 | |
| | | Sally of Nutstown | BOB | 6 |
| | | | | Group+2 |
| Irish Breeds | T Doyle | Nutstown Adare | 7 | |
| | | Tarlog Adara | BOB | 7 |
| Bull Breeds | T O'Reilly | Ch Gulliagh Zest | 5 | |
| | | Knocknarea Orlando | BOB | 9 |
| | | | | Group +4 |
| Cloghran | B Margain | Ch Gulliagh Zest | BOB | 7 |
| | | Sally of Nutstown | | 6 |
| Dublin Dog Show R Kelly | | Ch The Blacknight of Nutstown | BOB | 6 |
| | | Sally of Nutstown | | 2 |

ANNUAL CHAMPION 2003

Annual champion. Gulliagh Zest. 55 points (+5 additional for groups)
 Runner up..... Sally of Nutstown.53 points.

HOUND GROUP WINS

Monkstown Ch. Gulliagh Zest.

Killarney..... Ch. Gulliagh Zest.

Carlow..... Ch. Sally of Nutstown.

Bull Breeds..... Ch. Knocknarea Orlando.

BEST IN SHOW WINS

Hounds Association.. Owenmore Chalcedony of Calcara.

Minutes of the Irish Wolfhound Club Of Ireland A.G.M held in Fingallians GAA, Lawless Park at 14.00 on the 28th September 2003.

The meeting was opened by the President Mr. Anthony Killykeen Doyle who welcomed everybody to the A.G.M.

The minutes of the 2002 A.G.M were read by the secretary and accepted.

1. proposed by Tara Jenkins.
2. seconded by Mervyn Jenkins

The Presidents address:

Mr. Tony Doyle congratulated Mrs. O'Keefe, Mr and Mrs Kelly, Mr and Mrs Finney and Mr and Mrs Peiler on making their dogs champions. He also said that the club show had been a great success. Everyone had an enjoyable day and the weather had been very pleasant. He asked the floor to stand for a minutes silence in memory of Mr. Martin Kealy, our club show steward of many years. This ended the Presidents address.

The Treasurers report:

Mr. Eddie Bourke apologised to the floor for not having the accounts ready on time to send out with the ballot papers. He then explained the accounts item by item.

Mr. Paddy Judge asked about the missing cups. Mrs. Kathleen Kelly stated that two cups thought to have been missing had been in the possession of Mrs. Ika Peiler and had been handed in at the 2003 club show to the cup secretary who had already replaced the cups at her own expense. Mr. Tony Doyle said that he hopes that the missing Killykeen puppy dog cup might turn up. If not he will replace it. Mr. Mervyn Jenkins wanted a letter to be sent to each member with a list of missing trophies to try and ascertain there whereabouts. Mr. Jim Behan told the meeting that while clearing out his attic he had found a cup that had been missing for a number of years. Mr. Paddy Judge stated that the accounts were debited last year with the value of the missing cups and asked if the value now stated in the accounts was correct. The treasurer stated that it was. Mrs. Marion Finney wants a comprehensive list of cups to be drawn up and for previous winners to be contacted as previously requested by Mr. Mervyn Jenkins. The floor agreed this. Mrs. Marion Finney proposed that a previous suggestion that a voluntary donation be made to the veterinary college of ten euro per puppy sold and twenty five euro per stud dog fee to contribute towards any special piece of equipment they might need be put into practise. Mrs. Tara Jenkins-Jago seconded this proposal. This motion was carried. Miss Isobel Walton is to contact the veterinary College to see what they might need. Mr. Tim Finney asked if the EIWC fees had been paid. The Treasurer said that they had not been paid to date but that he would look after it.

Acceptance of the accounts was proposed by Mr. John Kelly, seconded by Mrs. Tara Jenkins-Jago and passed by the floor.

Secretary's report:

Mrs. Elizabeth Hanley explained that following the election of the committee at the 2002 A.G.M the committee held its first meeting. There were a total of nine meetings. There was also a rules committee meeting on the 16th February 2003 and the final draft of the IWCI rules were passed by the meeting as recorded in the club magazine but subject to approval by the Irish Kennel Club.

The Club magazine was brought out covering the two years 2001 and 2002. Special thanks are due for the work done by Mr. Ron Kerr who volunteered to compile the magazine from the information supplied by the magazine committee.

The club show took place on the 8th of June and was well attended. A special thanks is also due to all the Stewards for the show who did such a fine job.

The secretary's report was proposed by Mr. Ian McCulloch and seconded by Kathleen Kelly and passed by the floor.

Mr. Tim Finney asked for a vote of thanks to the Waltons for donating the show rosettes and the Graham pedigree book. Mr. Ian McCulloch said that Tullamore Dew are happy to sponsor the 2004 club show. Mr. Mervyn Jenkins said that he thought holding club meetings in private homes should be banned. Ms. Betty Murphy said that the rules did not prohibit it. Mr. Paddy Judge said that it had been decided not to hold committee meetings in private homes due to problems in the club. However he said that due to the rising cost of renting meeting rooms that it might be time to reconsider this decision. The Chairman asked the floor for further opinions. Ms. Betty Murphy said that if the committee felt comfortable using private homes it should be up to the committee.

Mr. Tony Doyle asked the floor for any suggestions on how to reduce expenses. Mrs Marion Finney asked as to why there was no club website. Mr. Niall Walton replied that it was been worked on and would be ready in two or three months. Mr. Barry Quinn said that he would like to see the club accounts tidied up. This was proposed by Mr. Ian McCulloch and seconded by Mr. Jim Behan. The IKC representatives, Mrs. Kathleen Kelly and Mr. Ian McCulloch stated that the IKC would be looking at the FCI interpretation of the breed standard. It was agreed that the committee would look into this to insure that the issue was dealt with properly. It was pointed out from the floor that Mr. Tony Doyle should write to the IKC regarding this matter. He said that he had the matter in hand.

Rescue report.

The rescue officer Mrs. Elizabeth Hanley said that the Wolfhound that had needed rescuing before last Christmas had been successfully rehomed and that she had frequent contact with the new owners with regard to its health and happiness.

Mrs. Esther Jenkins stated that the previous rescue officer had stated, when asked at the 2002 AGM, that he wasn't sure how many rescues had taken place during his time but that he thought it might have been five. Mrs Jenkins said that she would like to know how many, where they were and how they were doing. It was agreed that a report would be made to the 2004 AGM.

Mr Barry Quinn proposed that the treasurer should send a reminder of subs due to the members and that he should have a secretary to assist him, both being answerable to the committee.

Election of officers:

The Chairman Mr. Niall Walton told the floor that a letter of complaint had been received regarding the nomination procedures. The letter stated that people who had been nominated for committee had been left off the ballot paper. He stated that he investigated the issue thoroughly and the results of his findings were as follows.

People who were nominated who resided overseas had not been contacted. The reason for this was that it was understood to be club practise that overseas members did not stand for committee due to the impracticality of turning up for committee meetings.

All other members, except those who the club had no proper details for, had reasonable and fair efforts to contact them made by the secretary to ascertain whether they would stand or not. Where they were not talked to directly a message was left for them asking for them to contact the secretary.

He stated that due to the seriousness of the complaint that he wanted it opened to the floor so that a decision could be arrived at as to how to proceed with the issue of the Election.

Mr. Tim Finney said that a Mrs Hudson who lived in the UK had attended committee meetings in the 1970s. Mr Tony Doyle pointed out that she had only

been there as an observer. Ms. Betty Murphy asked the chairman for more detail on those who had not been contacted and from which the problem was arising. He replied that the list was as follows;

Mr and Mrs Crawshaw, resident in Wales.

Ms D McKinley, no number.

Dr. Ryder deceased.

Mrs S Rathbone-Scott, no number,

Mr D. Harris, resident in the UK.

Mr Mike Verble.

Ms Linda Gover, left message. No reply.

The Chairman stated that where possible with the time constraints an effort was made to contact these people after the complaint was received to view their opinion. Mike Verble was contacted by email and replied that he had never been asked to stand and nor would he. Niall Walton had asked Mrs. Ika Peiler for Mr. Harris's phone number but had never received it. As regards Ms Linda Gover, Mrs Hanley has the phone records for two calls to Linda Gover regarding her nomination who was not at home at the time so messages were left. The first asking her if she wished to stand and the second leaving Mrs Hanley's telephone number to facilitate her. The telephone records were shown to the floor. Ms. Betty Murphy asked if all the nominations had been posted on time. The chairman said that five envelopes posted on the 5th of August had arrived on the sixth of August. Although it stated on the nomination papers that all nomination papers should be received before the sixth, it had been decided at committee that due to recent club troubles and in an attempt to be as inclusive as possible that the nominations would be accepted. Ms. Betty Murphy, Mr Paddy Judge and Mr. Barry Quinn stated that they thought the nominations should not have been accepted due to late arrival. Ms Tracy McRory said that it is traditional that only people living in Ireland be voted on to committee. Betty Murphy said that she thought all reasonable efforts had been made and that the election of officers should proceed.

Mr. Jim Behan seconded this. This motion was put to the floor by the chairman and was passed with a unanimous show of hands.

The official scrutineers Therese McKittrick and Vivian Byrne were proposed and passed by a show of hands from the floor. The AGM proceeded while the votes were counted.

Any other Business

Mr Jim Behan wanted to know why an open show no longer took place. Mrs Kathleen Kelly said that the costs and lack of interest had been the cause. She said that it might be possible for the combined canine show to take us in and that this might help to reduce costs and suggested setting up a sub-committee to look into the feasibility.

Mrs Marion Finney asked for nomination papers to be signed and dated by the nominator before being returned to the secretary on time. Mr Niall Walton explained that the new rules for elections would solve this issue.

Mr. Tim Finney asked why the AGM had been held on this particular date, which coincided with the same weekend as the north of Ireland show and the UK show. The chairman said that this date would be avoided next year and apologised on behalf of the committee for any inconvenience caused to members.

Mrs. Esther Jenkins asked for the letter of complaint to be read out in full. The chairman then did this.

Mrs. Marion Finney asked that the lunch break at the club show be reduced to 30 minutes, as people are anxious to travel home. She also asked for a public address system to be set up at the show, as it was difficult to hear what was happening at certain times.

Mrs Tara Jenkins-Jago proposed that Mr. Eddie Bourke be thanked for his work as treasurer.

It was decided after discussion that it would be left to the incoming committee to write to the European federation with specific information after their meeting in 2004.

Their being no other business other than the election results the chairman suggested that the new rules be discussed. The suggested amendments by the IKC were read out. It was agreed that an EGM would be required to amend the rules and would be arranged later to deal with the amendments. In the absence of division the chairman proposed that the new rules be adopted. The new rules were adopted by a unanimous show of hands from all members present.

The scrutineers returned with the election results and those elected were

Officers;

President: Anthony Killykeen Doyle.
Vice President: Isobel Walton.
Vice President. John Kelly
Treasurer. Ian McCulloch.
Chairman. Niall Walton.
Honorary Secretary. Elizabeth Hanley.

Committee;

Kathleen Kelly
Velda Clarke
Tracy McRory
Alison Messenger.
Eddie Bourke.
Gina Bourke.

The chairman thanked everybody for attending the meeting and it was then closed at 17.40.

LONGEVITY 2004

| | | Born | Died* |
|-------------------------|---|----------|----------|
| Athcarne Brega | (Killykeen McGilligan x Athcarne Kylie) | 31/10/91 | OCT-02 |
| Athcarne Emma | (Capitan of Shantamon x Carrokeel O'Rourke) | 02/06/94 | ALIVE |
| Athcarne Gelenda | (Capitan of Shantamon x Athcarne Bailey) | 19/01/96 | ALIVE |
| Athcarne Kilkenny | (Fingal of Nutstown x Athcarne Bailey) | 06/02/97 | ALIVE |
| Athcarne Lagan | (Tolkavalley Athcarne Craigie x Tullygirvan Maeve) | 05/08/97 | ALIVE |
| Athcarne Donnacha | (Tolkavalley Athcarne Murphy x Carrokeel O'Rourke) | 24/10/92 | OCT-02 |
| Athcarne Brenda | (Killykeen McGilligan x Athcarne Kylie) | 31/10/91 | MAY-01 |
| Leo of Shantamon | (McGilligan of Nutstown x Brid of Shantamon) | 03/12/95 | ALIVE |
| Carrigrohan Nightingale | (Ch. Owenmore Kiingfisher x Killykeen Mrs. Bremner) | 20/07/94 | ALIVE |
| Carrigrohan Turtledove | (Ch. Owenmore Kiingfisher x Killykeen Mrs. Bremner) | 20/07/94 | 29/09/03 |
| Lucky of Nutstown. | (Cillian Ruane x Holly of Nutstown) | 21/01/92 | 14/02/02 |
| Cudonnchu Damosel | (Capitan of Shantamon x Lucky of Nutstown) | 25/11/95 | ALIVE |
| Tolkavalley Saragh | (Tolkavalley Athcarne Craigie x Tolkavalley Arva) | FEB-95 | ALIVE |
| Tolkavalley Sionna | (Tolkavalley Athcarne Craigie x Tolkavalley Arva) | FEB-95 | ALIVE |
| Tolkavalley Shawn | (Tolkavalley Athcarne Craigie x Tolkavalley Arva) | FEB-95 | ALIVE |

* If no date is given, then presumed still alive at time of printing.

IRISH WOLFHOUND CLUB OF IRELAND
CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW
JUNE 2ND 2004 AT MOONE.

Judge's critique

Thank you. Thank you a million times. (I used to know how to say this in Irish, but I've forgotten.) I'll name just a few. Thank you for the honour of judging your Specialty. Thank you for the kindnesses you all showed to me. (I didn't need Doug after all; but I'm glad he came; he had a fine time in Ireland.) To Ian McCulloch for collecting us from the airport and giving us such a funny guided tour to the Walton Hotel. Thanks to Niall Walton for putting us up and making sure we got a taxi back to the airport. Thanks to Gina Bourke for taking us to the show venue and for the very educational conversation we had along the way. Thanks to both Gina and Eddie for bringing us back to Dublin, and to Gina for the guided tour of Dublin with ever so many tales of growing up in Dublin, and for telling us where we should eat, and what we should see in Dublin. We did everything she suggested, and our stay was so much richer because of her. Thanks to Kathleen Kelly for making all the arrangements and for checking up regularly to see that Doug and I were "ok." Thanks, too, for the best stewards in the history of the world, Susan Kealy and Michael Drennan. (I hope if I go to heaven and judge Irish Wolfhounds there, they'll be there and God assigns them to me.) Last, but far from least, thanks to all the exhibitors who brought their hounds just to have me pass judgment on them.

Next, I apologize for my accidental erasure of the very detailed critique I made of your individual hounds. So, I'm afraid I can't tell you what I was thinking when I judged them. (Maybe that's a blessing; maybe it was God's work because I can be pretty blunt when it comes to my critiques.) But, I can remember my general impressions, which I'll list here.

1. The Best in Show, Reserve Best in Show, and the Reserve to the Dog and Bitch Certificates (forgive me if I've not used the proper terms here) were high quality, true Irish Wolfhounds. If you studied them both standing and in motion, you'd have a very good idea of what an Irish Wolfhound should look like, move like, and act like. If you could've felt them, you'd also know what an Irish Wolfhound should feel like. Whenever the hounds come in the ring, I'm so pleased to see ones that catch my eye. Both the Best and Reserve Best in Show surely caught my eye when I first saw them. But, I've been around a long time, and I early on learned to say to myself as I approach these hounds, "Please don't disappoint me." They often do. Some are shy; some aren't made right when you get your hands on them. But, I'm happy to say they didn't disappoint me; these were Irish Wolfhounds in every way. Thanks to the breeders who brought them.

2. Overall, I was disappointed at the lack of depth in type and quality in the hounds that day. Too many lacked leg. (Hounds too close to the ground don't fit the greyhound form.) Only a few were sound coming and going, and too many had a short stride. As always, short, straight upper arms were prevalent. (This is a problem everywhere, not just in Ireland). The most prevalent fault were long loins. (Irish Wolfhounds should have backs rather long than short. But the length should be in the rib cage, not the loin.)

3. Type and quality are beyond your control (except if you're the breeder!). But there's one thing you have total control over. I was amazed at the number of ungroomed, badly presented hounds. I'm not a control freak or a neatness nut (even though I had German mother who did her best to make me both). But forgive me for pointing out some hounds looked like they hadn't even been brushed for weeks, let alone "neatened up."

Good luck to you all.
Joel Samaha (Judge)

2004 IRISH WOLFHOUND CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW WINNERS.

PUPPY DOG



1. Messenger's TIBRIDARN TYLER

GRADUATE DOG.



1. Finney's GULLIAGH SEQUOIA
2. Brown & Hanley's BUCHAILL DAINEAL CUNAARDRI

JUNIOR DOG



1. Kelly's LAZYPONES OF NUTSTOWN

LIMIT DOG



1. Tebbutt's CAREDIG JUPITER
2. Peiler's KNOCKNAREA SOLAMH
3. Kelly's MILLENIUM OF NUTSTOWN

NOVICE DOG.

NO PHOTO AVAILABLE

1. Connolly's MACARA OF NUTSTOWN
2. Hartley's MONAGEER AODH

The Irish Wolfhound Club of Northern Ireland
Championship show 2004 will take place at
Hillsborough Fort, Hillsborough,
Co Down
on 25th September 2004
Judge; Mrs. Betty K. Deemer.

OPEN DOG.



1. Finney's CH GULLIAGH ZEST.
2. Kelly's ROSSA OF NUTSTOWN.
3. Finney's GULLIAGH ZAPATA.

2004 IRISH WOLFHOUND CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW WINNERS.

MINOR PUPPY BITCH



1. Crawford's MARLAW FREYA BWARNED.

NOVICE BITCH.



1. Kelly's ANGEL OF NUTSTOWN
2. Charles's APRIL OF RATHCREEVAGH.
3. Kelly's CU EALGA CUANAARDI.

PUPPY BITCH.



1. Redmond's MONAGEER BRID OF ATHCARNE.
2. O'Neill's TIBRIDARN TUESDAY.
3. Clarke's EBONEY OF SHANTAMON.

GRADUATE BITCH.



1. Tebbutt's CAREDIG JEZEBEL.
2. Peiler's KNOCKNAREA UNIQUE.
3. Smith's UELLA MADDIE.

JUNIOR BITCH



1. O'Keeffe's CALCARA ENNYA
2. Kelly's GOLDEN OF NUTSTOWN.

LIMIT BITCH.



1. Peiler's JUXTALIA ITA OF KNOCKNAREA.
2. Tebbutt's CAREDIG ISABELLA
3. Smith's UELLA OOLA.

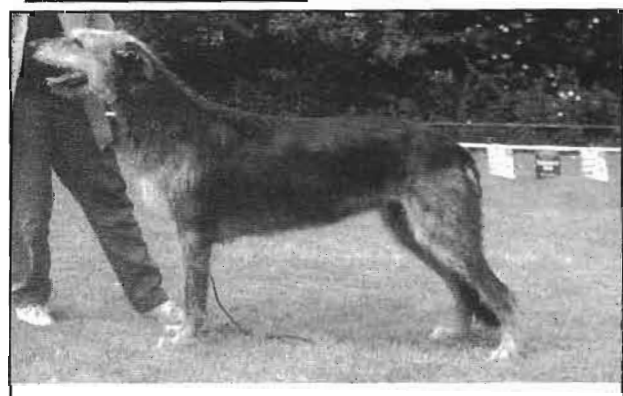
2004 IRISH WOLFHOUND CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW WINNERS.

OPEN BITCH.



1. Finney's GULLIAGH ZAMORA.
2. Finney's GULLIAGH NEDINE.
3. Kelly's CH SALLY OF NUTSTOWN.

VETERAN BITCH.



1. Peiler's KNOCKNAREA ORLANDO
2. Finney's CH. GB.CH.GULLIAGH SERENDIPITY
3. Smith's UELLA CINNOMAN.

BEST BRACE.



1. Tebbitt's CAREDIG JUPITER and CAREDIG ISABELLA.
2. Finney's GULLIAGH ZAPATA and GULLIAGH ZAMORA.

BEST TEAM



GULLIAGH

ROLL OF HONOUR

Best Puppy:

Redmond's MONAGEER
BRID OF ATHCARNE

Green Star Dog:

Tebbutt's CAREDIG JUPITER.

Reserve Green Star Dog:

Finney's CH GULLIAGH ZEST.

Green Star Bitch:

Tebbutt's CAREDIG JEZEBEL.

Reserve Green Star Bitch:

Peiler's JUXTALIA ITA OF
KNOCKNAREA.

Best in Show:

Tebbutt's CAREDIG JUPITER.

Reserve Best in Show.

Tebbutt's Caredig Jezebel.

We regret that the SPECIALS photos for the 2002, 2003 and 2004 shows were not available for the magazines. Every effort will be made to insure that they are included in future years.

Irish Wolfhounds in Japan

akiko Tatsuki

I am a Wolfhound fancier living in Tokyo who met this fantastic breed ten years ago and fell in love at once. I got my first Wolfhound eight years ago. I lost him last year and now my sole companion is a young lad that came from the green fields of Ireland. Being neither a breeder nor a judge nor any other expert, I may not be the best person to write an article titled "Irish Wolfhounds in Japan". If I am qualified it is only because I am related both to Ireland and to Wolfhounds by fortunate coincidence. I studied in Dublin for two years (This was a good occasion to study Wolfhounds in Ireland too!), and I have watched Wolfhounds in Japan for a decade now. I am very grateful that the Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland allowed me to introduce Irish Wolfhounds in Japan to the people of the country of their origin. Because there is not yet a breed club, or a reliable book or journal article to turn to, writing a history of Irish Wolfhounds in Japan turned out to be a more demanding task than I had expected. I have tried to gather all the patchy information together so that the end product is, I hope, an overall and impartial view of the Irish Wolfhound's history in Japan.

How long and how many? :

The Irish Wolfhound's history in Japan is not a long one. The first Irish Wolfhound was registered with the Japan Kennel Club in 1968. Then they were occasionally imported and bred but the number did not increase until the end of the 1980s. From 1990, we have had a fairly steady number of registrations till now. The average number between 1993 and 2002 was 37, while that of 2003 was 38. There is no way to know the exact number of Irish Wolfhounds living in Japan at present (or at any given time) as we do not have a breed club and JKC does not provide such records. I presume it is somewhere around 150.

It is still considered as a rare breed in a country where 167,780 miniature Dachshunds were registered in 2003, and some 73,684 Chihuahuas. These are the top two most popular breeds in Japan. The total registration number to JKC is rapidly increasing (from about 470,000 in 2000 to about 570,000 in 2003). In fact, we are in the midst of the so called "pet boom", especially of dogs. The situation of dogs has changed drastically over the past twenty to thirty years. It was common that house dogs were kept not only as pets but also as guard dogs. They were often tied on a chain outside the house. Dogs are treated far better nowadays. Most people regard their dogs as their precious family member just like in any Western country. Agility and training have become very popular pastimes with dogs too. The market for dog food, toys, accessories, etc. is growing bigger and bigger. Some breeds have become particularly popular in the last decade. There was a Siberian Husky boom in the 1990s, then Golden Retriever and Labrador Retriever were loved so much (they are still very popular), and now it is miniature Dachshund's and Chihuahua's turn, at whose heels are following energetic Welsh Corgis.

The number of Irish Wolfhounds has not changed for the past ten years. It became a little bit better known breed in the mid-90s when it briefly appeared in the show biz world. Mr. Hata, better known as "Mutsugoro", imported a pair of Wolfhounds from the U. K. and Ireland. He is a very popular figure famous for his regular TV program in which he travels around the world to meet various kinds of animals. He lives on his farm in Hokkaido where he kept and bred the Wolfhounds along with numerous other breeds of dogs and various animals. Anyway, a few generations of "Mutsugoro" Wolfhounds were bred, and the breed itself became known to people through the TV program. But fortunately we have not yet seen a boom of the breed in this country. It seems something is missing in Wolfhounds that catch the heart of Japanese people. You may think it is because Wolfhounds are too big for an ordinary Japanese home, but this does not apply (Great Danes were so popular already in the 70s.). There are a lucky few people, however, who noticed that it is a very special breed!

Early history and imported dogs:

The Wolfhounds in the very early years came to Japan from the U. K. and Ireland. Among them were Retsacnal Apollo, a dog from the U.K. and Ballintra of Termon, a bitch from Ireland, imported around 1970. However, there were no Wolfhound breeders in Japan at the time. Early hounds were kept and bred at established breeders of St. Bernards (House Yukie Kennel) and Great Danes (Laurel Kennel). It seems that one or two commercial pet shops also imported a few Wolfhounds in the early 70s and that there was constant breeding going on for about five years. Then the registration numbers dropped drastically from the mid-70s till mid-80s. I presume the blood of the first generation of W

olfhounds in Japan died out during that period. There were years of no registrations until the mid-80s. The number of registrations suddenly started to rise in the mid-80s. Import also began vigorously. Ten Wolfhounds were imported in the last four years of the 80s, nearly 20 in the 90s, and already more than fifteen have been imported since 2000. The sudden rise in the number in the 80s may have been related to the economic boom of the country to some extent, but the number has remained even after the boom ended in the mid-90s.

As far as I know, more than 45 hounds were imported in the past twenty years. They were imported mostly from the U. S., including a few American champions (Dundrum's Black Swan, Dundrum's Beckett Cu Uaine and Cedercrest Quincy, to name some). A small number were from Ireland, the U. K., Australia, Germany, and France. Kennels such

as Dundrum, Sunstag, and Singing Swords above all became quite popular. Nutstown has been becoming popular recently.

Great Estanjia Kennel was particularly vigorous in importing American Wolfhounds. This kennel is very much responsible for the sudden increase of import in the late 80s. Dogs such as Am Ch Dundrum Phred of Windfern, JKC Ch Windfern's Nolan Fionn and several bitches were imported by them to realize line breeding. In the mid-1990s, Int. Ch. Sobian Successful (from the U.K.) and JKC Ch. Singing Swords Kitty (from the U.S.) were shown extensively by Mountain Eye Kennel. This brace left a number of progeny. Princely Pride of Sunstag is another dog that left a lot of progeny in the 1990s.

In the current situation, only a few breeders produce the majority of the hounds in Japan. New blood is fairly limited. Often they have to use whichever stud dog is available. As a result, realizing an ideal mating for quality can be very difficult, as you can easily imagine. This has always been the problem for the breeders in Japan. From this point of view, our situation is much better than ever; however, we still need quality hounds from overseas for future generations.

Kennels:

There exists only a handful of kennels in Japan: less than ten at present. People sometimes have to wait a year or two to have a puppy from a particular breeder, as the waiting lists are often long. As far as I know there have been twenty five kennels through the 36 year history of Wolfhounds in Japan. Most of them are very small kennels, keeping only a few hounds.

Very few people breed Wolfhounds for a long time. Many are involved in the breed for several years and just disappear. Among those short-lived kennels some that deserve particular mention here are Great Estanjia kennel in the 80s, about which I already mentioned above, and Mountain Eye kennel in early 90s. The progeny of Int. Ch. Sobian Successful and JKC Ch. Singing Swords Kitty at Mountain Eye kennel left a clear mark on the present blood of Japanese-bred Wolfhounds. Int. Ch. Apollo of Mountain Eye and Int. Ch. Prince of Mountain Eye are among them. This line is partly continuing at the young kennel High Mountain to this day.

Dawn Otaka is the only kennel that has continued breeding Wolfhounds for more than a decade. It started in 1970 and has a history of over thirty years now. It is also the only large kennel which constantly keeps a dozen or more hounds. Their hounds are based on Sunstag, Singing Swords and Nutstown. The kennel is very eager to import dogs as well. Am. Ch. Singing Swords Annie was imported by them in 2000. It has produced several champions over the years. Lenon of Dawn Otaka (Biter of A & I Fujita x Sunstag Ciarag), Max of Nutstown, and Dark Jewel of Nutstown are all recent JKC champions from this kennel.

A & I Fujita has been also involved in the breed for a decade now. Their hounds are closely connected to Dawn Otaka. Their recent JKC champion David of A & I Fujita (Ch. Lenon of Dawn Otaka x Bessi of A & I Fujita) is a very tall hound.

There are some breeders of younger generation who are very eager to breed for better Wolfhounds, which is delightful for the future of Wolfhounds in Japan. One of which is Vaspaminania kennel. It owns JKC Ch. Ballalyn's Completely (a bitch from the U. K.) and her line is continuing at Big Dog Hamada as well. I do hope they will establish long-lasting kennels. I said we still need to import good quality hounds, but, more importantly, I think we desperately need more experienced breeders.

Shows:

Most Wolfhounds in Japan live life as a family companion. As such, the breed is highly esteemed. Some people have two or more Wolfhounds at a time. This is a very delightful fact in itself. But on the other hand, there is a constant shortage of Wolfhounds in the show ring. Breeders generally do not seem eager to show their dogs. Even at International FCI shows and JKC championship shows, at best one or two Wolfhounds enter, which is truly disappointing to Wolfie fans. There were only two dogs at this year's Asian International Dog Show, the largest dog show in Japan and perhaps in Asia, which saw more than 4,800 entries in total. Naturally you have to be very lucky to see Irish Wolfhounds in smaller shows.

Irish Wolfhounds in Japan did not make an instant success. Its breeding has developed very slowly. After the 36 years since the first Wolfhound was brought to Japan, I have to say the general quality is not very high. We are still wanting in quality hounds for breeding and for showing. We want more experienced breeders. I also think we need some kind of organization where breeders and owners of Wolfhounds can meet and study together and exchange information. In short, we still have plenty of work to do for Wolfhounds in Japan. But I am not worrying for there are people who are truly enthusiastic about the breed. I believe the future of the Japanese-bred Wolfhounds will be much brighter than ever.

(Our sincere thanks to Akiko for all her work in bringing us this article from Japan and best of luck with the breed.)

A SELECTION OF PHOTOS FROM OUR JAPANESE FRIENDS



Kazu Kennel Aqua dog at seven months.
Born in 2003, sire Stone Dunaengus of Nasu Mutsu,
dam Adela of Big Dog
Hamada. He won the 1st place in the puppy group at
FCI Nagoya International Dog Show in February 2004
at 6 months. A grandson of Azuli Pola of Vaspaminania,
his father is of Mutsugoro's line.



Int/JKC Ch. Apollo of Mountain Eye.
Born July 4th 1993 Sire Int Ch. Sobian Successful,
Dam; JKC Ch. Singing Swords Kitty. He won group 3rd
at JKC's Asia International Dog Show, which was the
highest place an Irish Wolfhound has ever got in Japa-
nese show history.



picture left: **Aidan of Dawn Otaka.** Born 2001. Sire JKC
Ch. Max of Nutstown, Dame Coco of Dawn Otaka.

Regal, Stately and Grand

I am an Irish Wolfhound
That is who I am.
I arise each day
To rest and play
And eat to beat the band.

My owners they adore me
For them there is no other
I have them trained not to complain
And do this, that and the other.

I always sit in their favourite chair
I never feel guilty and brave out their stare
And if they can't sit then they can stand
And so can the visitors I really don't mind
Because I m an Irish Wolfhound
And I'm regal, stately and grand.

When I dig holes in the garden
I never use a digger
But if they complain
I go back again
And dig them even bigger.
I bark to be let out and wait a while
Until they all sit down and get comfortable
Then bark to be let in.

Now what about all this training
That goes on almost every day
Running round and round and up and down
on the ground
Then once more and all over again.

Well now, this person
I have on the end of the lead
I really do respect, but he's lost the plot
And everyone's forgot
That I'm an Irish Wolfhound
That is who I am
I arise each day
To rest and play
And eat to beat the band
I am an Irish Wolfhound
And I am Regal, Stately and Grand

Elizabeth Hanley

IN MEMORY OF SAM EWING



Sam Ewing judging the IWCI club show in 1995, seen here with Jim Behan and Bearn Bui Jacinta



Sam Ewing with Ch Pitlochry's Grey Eagle in 2000, judge D. Donald Stirz Jr. and John Fitzgerald of Kentucky (photo courtesy John Fitzgerald)

With the passing of Samuel Evans Ewing, III on Sunday, February 1, 2004, the fancy has lost a true champion of purebred dogs. For more than 50 years, Sam was a regular exhibitor at shows throughout the U.S. and Canada. His devotion to Irish Wolfhounds and purebred dogs has had a wonderful influence on our sport that will be valued for years to come.

Sam obtained his first Irish wolfhound from Alma Starbuck in 1953. Almost as a whim, he entered at Devon as his first show, and placed third in the group. Initially, he only owned dark and black males, but in 1962 Sam started breeding and the rest was history. Over the past 50 years Sam, (Eagle Kennels) has produced literally hundreds of champions including Best of Breed at the Irish Wolfhound Club of America Specialties in 1966, 1972, 1983, 1984, and 1990. In the years that his dogs did not win the national, they often went Best of Opposite. He was awarded the coveted Alma J. Starbuck Trophy. His dog, Breac O'Shawn McDown of Eagle was the first IW to win the group at Westminster. Sam owned the other Westminster IW Group winner too (1985 - Ch Aodh Harp of Eagle)

More than a highly respected owner-handler who spent countless weekends at shows in all parts of the country, Sam was always very generous in sharing his time and expertise in helping newcomers to the breed. On several occasions at "fun matches", as well as at training sessions for judges, Sam brought hounds of his that were not show quality in order to demonstrate faults to be avoided.

In addition to an influential breeding program, and going to shows, Sam somehow found time to be a president of the Irish Wolfhound Club of America as well as serving on that club's board. He had been the IWCA's Delegate to the AKC since 1987 as well as Chair of the IWCA's Education Committee. He was a founding board member of the Irish Wolfhound Foundation. Sam was the President of the Kennel Club of Philadelphia, past President, Vice President and Show Chairman of the Bryn Mawr KC; Board Member and Secretary of the Chester Valley Kennel Club; past Chief Ring Steward, Penn Treaty KC; a founding member, past President, Secretary-Treasurer of The Irish Wolfhound Association of the Delaware Valley and 8 time winner of Best of Breed at their Specialty. Sam was a recent recipient of a lifetime award as a Board member of the Potomac Valley Irish Wolfhound Association. He was a member of the Board and the Planning Board of Morris and Essex.

Donations in Sam's memory may be made to: Take the Lead, P.O.Box 6353, Watertown, NY 13601, The AKC Museum of the Dog, 1721 South Mason Road, St. Louis, MO 63131, or The Irish Wolfhound Foundation (Research Fund), 150 Creek Road, Phillipsburg, NJ 08865

Peter R. Van Brunt
Past President, Irish Wolfhound Club of America
President, Westminster Kennel Club

IRISH WOLFHOUND WEEKEND IN THE NETHERLANDS

7th CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATION OF EUROPEAN IW CLUBS (EIWC)

30th of April – 2 May 2004 in the Netherlands

This year is the 10th anniversary of the Federation. In fact, it was in 1994 that the Dutch Irish Wolfhound Club (IERDIE) invited all the European clubs of the breed with in mind the intention to establish a Federation of European IW clubs. The goal was to represent and defend the interests of the breed in Europe. Since then, every two years, a national club has organised the event. Each time the program consists in a Congress with lectures about health and diseases present in the breed, as well as general surveys of the breed in the different countries. On the following day one or two shows are held.

This year's manifestation coincided with the 70 years jubilee of IERDIE and the Dutch club wished to organise the congress and shows again.

The three day event took place during the week-end of 1st of May in the big equestrian centre Groenendaal in Bunschoten, some 25 miles from Amsterdam.

Friday 30 April

At midday, a meeting of the **Management Committee** (Board) was held to prepare for the meeting of the delegates on Saturday..

At 2 pm. **Congress** at the Hotel Campanile in Amersfoort, with several lectures :

- The influence of diet on skeletal development in large breed dogs, by Dr Paul Overgaauw (Netherlands)
- Dilated cardiomyopathy in the Irish Wolfhound – heart screening results of more than 10,000 IWs, survival characteristics, whole blood Taurine & DCM inheritance, by Dr Andrea C. Vollmar (Germany)
- Genetic influences on DCM, by Prof. O. Distl (Germany)
- Synthesis of the results following a questionnaire sent to the member clubs, by Jo Hoffmann (Netherlands)
- In addition, Tony Doyle and Betty Murphy commented on the latest changes in the standard proposed by the F.C.I.

The complete text of the lectures, as well as the questionnaire and the replies may be found on the website of the Federation – <http://www.eiwc.cjb.net>

In the evening, IERDIE organised a barbecue for all the participants.

Saturday 1st of May

In the morning IERDIE held its traditional *Jonge Honden en Veteranendag*, open to the youngsters from 4 to 24 months and the Seniors and Veterans from 6 years on.

In the afternoon, the delegates of the member clubs of the Federation, the **Ruling Council**, held their meeting, open to everybody. The delegates of 15 European countries participated at this meeting. Ireland was represented by John Kelly and Betty Murphy.

In addition to the obligatory reports of the President, the Chairman and the financial report, some items discussed may be of more general interest :

- The next Congress and shows of 2006 will be organised by France, at the site of Le Touquet, on the North Coast. The Vice-Chairman of the French Club, Frédéric Maison, gave some information about the topics proposed for the Congress : Bone and joint pathologies in the IWH, by Prof.

Jean-Pierre Genevoix (National Veterinary School of Lyon) et a lecture with slides about « the sighthounds in art and literature », by Jean-Louis Grünheid (FCI judge and Sighthound specialist). The last proposal is welcomed with enthusiasm – this will make a change from the heavy pathologies usually discussed, as remarked by President Tony Doyle.

- A new country, Slovakia, applied for membership. The Slovakian Sighthound Club having sent all necessary documents, this proposal was ratified unanimously. The delegate of this country, Petra Tomosovicova thanked the Assembly.
- After the election of the Management Committee – all new members elected unanimously – the composition is now as follows:

: President : Antony Killykeen-Doyle (Ireland)
Chairman : Pernille Monberg (Denmark)
Vice-Chairman : Monette Daubenfeld (Luxembourg)
Secretary : Denyse Maurer (France)
Treasurer : Marcello Poli (Italy)
Members : Jo Hoffmann (Netherlands)
Julie Hübner (Germany)
John Kelly (Ireland)

In the evening some 200 persons enjoyed a very nice buffet, with a band playing traditional Irish music. It is obvious that the Federation enables and favours world-wide friendship among Irish Wolfhound fanciers and breeders.

Sunday 2nd of May

The third day the *Kampioenschaps – Clubmatch EIWC* was held, with four judges invited :

John Kelly (Ireland) : Open Dog

Louise Pinkney (U.K.) : Open Bitch – replacing Mary McBryde who was not able to come due to illness.

Frédéric Maison (France) : the remaining Dog classes

John Wauben (Netherlands) : the remaining Bitch classes.

It may be important to underline that during the two shows, some 250 Wolfhounds coming from 13 countries were entered! There was quality in all the classes and with so many dogs present it was possible to get a good overview of the state of the breed across Europe. There are of course some differences between countries but the international exchange in the breed by the breeders enables a homogeneity in quality which becomes obvious and some lines seem to be often present in the winning and well placed hounds.

Best in Show: Anthony of Treacka's Garden – EIWC Winner 2004

Res. Best in Show: Celtic Myst Broly

Best Puppy: Iceman von der Oelmühle

The complete results and pictures of all exhibited hounds may be seen on the websites indicated below :

<http://www.eiwc.cjb.net> (results) – <http://www.kuhless.de/iw/eiwc/clubshow/2004clubmatch.html> (photos).

A very sincere thank you to our Dutch friends for the excellent organisation of the event and their hospitality!

Denyse Maurer (France)

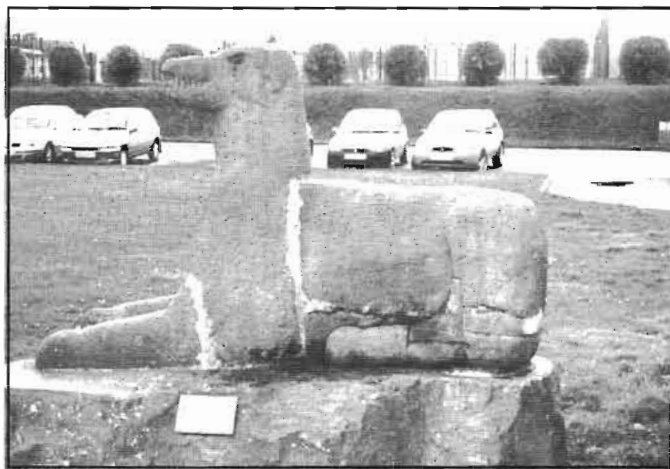
Note re Congress in France 2006

Le Touquet is a spa resort on the channel, beautiful and very touristic, 40 miles south Calais (tunnel to England) and some 80 miles from the Belgian border. There are lots of hotels and we shall probably organise the event on the first or second week-end of September.

As we have elections on 11th of Sept., the project will be discussed more in detail by the new committee and the date will then be fixed. After that we shall begin to advertise, first in the EIWC website <http://www.eiwc.cjb.net>. Later on, we plan a very extensive mailing all over Europe, and in particular will write to the breeders individually to encourage them to come.

WOLFHOUNDS IN STRANGE PLACES.

Continuing our series of Wolfhounds in unusual places, this one is a special one with a great story. Please let us know if you find one out there.



THE MASSEEREENE WOLFHOUND.

CARVED CIRCA 1612

This hound saved the life of Lady Marion Clotworthy when she was attacked by Wolves on the shore of Antrim Bay.

The Hound also saved the castle from attack by warning the defenders. Sir Hugh Clotworthy had this statue carved and placed on the battlements of the castle where it stayed until the end of the 18th Century.

These Photos were taken near Antrim Castle, Randalstown, Antrim, Co, Antrim.

Back in the 17th century, Marion wife of Hugh Clotworthy, often walked through the woods to the Lough shore. One day a wolf startled her. She fainted and on recovering saw that the wolf was dead. Lying beside her, licking her hand was her defender, an Irish Wolfhound. With gratitude the Wolfhound was taken to the castle and cared for until one day it mysteriously disappeared. One stormy night the howling of a Wolfhound was heard high over the wind, startling the castle wardens, who lit beacon fires only to see their enemy gathering below. The hound had raised the alarm and at dawn the occupants of the castle saw standing on the highest turret a figure of a dog transformed into stone. The Legend is commemorated in the statue carved in 1612.

Marypat. H. Corbett.

The Hounds of Tara

Through the dying morning mist
On Tara's Hill they stand.
Like, apparitions from a time gone by
They survey all the land.

His great gray head and her white coat
I recognized at last
They're the royal hounds of Tara
And an omen from the past.

These noble dogs of Irish kings
Are throughout the world renowned
For size and grace, and temperament
No peer can be found.

Graybeard and Awen are their names
And on Tara's Hill they stand
They're the first of the wolfhounds
To be seen in Ireland.

Two thousand years have passed
Since last they have been seen
Roaring Ireland's countryside
Over her fields so green.

It's said that they'd return again
When Ireland's united and free,
And as sentinels stand on Tara's Hill
To guard her liberty

(c) Philip P. McDonald

Report from Poland

Irish Wolfhounds are very much appreciated in Poland. However there are only a few breeders and they are of different degrees of commitment. Last year we had eight litters, this year only five so far. Generally speaking, interest in this breed started somewhere around 1978 and since then 159 litters were born countrywide. Also, 52 imports were registered - but only one from country of origin, Ireland. This import is a young male from Anne O'Keeffe - CALCARA EASCA (D.O.B. 10/02/2003) - a perfect specimen in medium size range with phenomenal limbs, great fluid stride, very masculine, sculpted head and ideal dentition. He came as a 4½ months old pup imported by the very oldest Polish IW breeding kennel, Sagittarius (44 litters starting 1980). He has already sired his first litter - we expect to enjoy his first offspring very soon.

At present there are several interesting IWs set apart from the rest by their outstanding looks, elegance or size and winning numerous top awards, including Best in Shows. We do not, however, have a specialty club for IW as yet - only quite substantial number of fanciers and stalwart IW lovers. As much as possible inbreeding is being avoided in all breeding programs - and we are never mean with diet. Dogs are fed excellent quality food - as a matter of fact some of the breeders are particular to a fault about what they feed to their hounds, only because we want pups to develop to their full physical and mental potential following an old adage of a sound soul in a sound body. Some of the breeders screen their dogs for heart problems, dysplasia, etc. but only voluntarily - we do not have any official regulations or requirements regarding such tests. But even without them very few problem dogs were born - perhaps single cases of liver shunt, a marginal number of heart defects and a negligible number of dysplasia. Life expectancy is satisfactory at 6-10 years range. Let's hope we can keep it up for the future!

Barbara Strzalkowska

(translated by Margaret Kaminska, Canada)

Our thanks to Barbara and Margaret for the report, the translation and of course the photos

PHOTOS OF SOME FINE DOGS SENT TO US FROM POLAND



Adelaida Celtic Alanda



Calcara Eascai



Ch.Pl.FARO Celtic Alanda



Ch. Pl. Sagittarius Pugaria



Krok Oksza



Int Ch. Sagittarius
Hold the Line

THE IRISH WOLFHOUND CLUB OF IRELAND CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW 2005 WILL TAKE PLACE AT MOONE, CO KILDARE JUNE SUNDAY 12th JOIN US FOR A GREAT DAY OUT.

FROM THE ARCHIVE

A PROFILE OF MISS N. TYWMAN AND HER ARTICLE ON PUPPY REARING TAKEN FROM THE 1972-73 CLUB MAGAZINE



Miss N. Twyman.

Profile

Miss N. Twyman was elected President of the Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland. Her family has been connected with Irish Wolfhounds since 1928, and she judged the U.S. Speciality Show in 1970. Nendrum is her Prefix/Affix. The worldwide

success of the Nendrums leads one to believe that Miss Twyman has bred consistently over the years but in fact she has only bred four litters.

Her first hound was Carol of Eaglescrag, bred by her sister, Mrs. Jenkins, Eaglescrag Irish Wolfhounds, England. Carol was bred to Miss Seale's International Champion McGilligan of Ballykelly, this litter produced one Irish Champion, Carna of Nendrum and two International Champions, Captain and Colin, the latter a winner of three B.I.S. Carol's second litter was by English champion Sulhamstead Max, this litter produced Irish Champion Connel of Nendrum, B.I.S. winner; English Champion Clonroe of Nendrum, B.I.S. winner; also Irish champion Corrie of Nendrum. Reserve B.I.S. winner, Corrie is still living with Miss Twyman today.

Irish Champion Corrie was bred twice; first to English Champion Sanctuary Brave Knight, this litter produced one Dutch champion, one U.S. champion and one U.S. and Canadian champion, also one Irish champion Ard gour of Nendrum.

We hope to see Miss Twyman exhibiting again in the Irish Wolfhounds classes with her new young bitch Fenora of Eaglescrag Nendrum granddaughter of Carol.

Puppy Rearing

By M. TWYMAN

Has anyone ever read a "Doggy" book that did not contain two inevitable chapters, 'Puppy Rearing' and 'Ailments?' I doubt it. For this reason I shall be as brief as possible about routine and food, etc., and just give the system I have developed for my own dogs, partly from reading some of the vast supply of literature on the subject and partly from experience with my own dogs plus some physiology and anatomy.

First weaning. The bitch usually, I find, does this for herself. The usual pattern seems to be that when the puppies are about five weeks old the mother does not want to stay permanently with them and is quite happy to feed them 3-4 times a day and live elsewhere. In the course of the following 2-3 weeks she will reduce the number of times per day that she wishes to feed the puppies until eventually she is quite happy just to look at them now and then.

Early feeding - Normally between 17 and 21 days of age, depending on the number. I have found that puppies will begin to take an interest in scraped raw meat (a spoon is much better than a knife for scraping). The first time I put a small piece of meat into each puppy's mouth and immediately they have tasted it they start looking for more. I do this twice a day for a few days and then increase to three times. After 3-4 days the meat can be finely minced instead of scraped. At this stage each puppy has its own ration. The next stage is to introduce the puppies to liquid food. First a little warm milk (preferably not pasteurised) to teach them to lap and then after a day or two thicken the milk with 'Farex' and add a few drops of Halibut liver oil, better at this stage than cod liver oil.

Now that the puppies can eat and drink one can settle down to a regular time-table. I usually feed puppies four times a day instead of the often recommended five. Feeding times can be made to fit in with ones other activities, the actual times do not matter as long as they do not vary.

(Cont over)

At 3-10 weeks the puppies meals can be something like this (for one puppy):

1. Breakfast cereal, brown bread or puppy biscuit meal with warm milk and an egg.
 2. About 1 lb. raw meat or tripe and 1 teaspoon of cod liver oil.
 3. Same as 1.
 4. Same as 2 but replace cod liver oil with two teaspoons of bone meal.
- The amounts of these meals should be increased as the puppy grows and soaked puppy meal or brown bread can be added to the meat to increase the bulk.

At 6-12 months three meals a day can be given.

1. Fresh milk with 2 eggs followed by dry biscuit meal or stale brown bread.
2. Meat- 1 lb. plus with cod liver oil.
3. 1 lb. meat or tripe and biscuit meal soaked in gravy and bone meal.

When the puppy is a year old the feeding plan can be the same for the rest of his life i.e. morning milk and dry biscuit and evening meat or tripe and biscuit and soup and for a time cod liver oil and bone meal. This is because Irish Wolfhounds continue growing and developing until they are a, least two years old and sometimes longer.

This plan is all very well for an average litter born in good weather with a healthy mother, take for an average litter seven puppies. Sometimes things do not work out that way, e.g. I had a litter of 15, 13 born alive and all survived and some did extraordinarily well in the show ring. One's first thought when faced with a litter of that size is to go and look for a foster mother. This is not necessary and asking for all sorts of trouble in the way of parasites and major infections such as distemper, jaundice, enteritis, hepatitis, etc. The easiest way to cope with this problem is to leave the puppies with their mother and 4-5 times a day and perhaps once during the night offer each puppy a supplementary meal from a baby's feeding bottle. The hungry ones will drink greedily from the bottle; I also found that this particular litter divided itself into two lots and fed from the mother alternately and they started eating meat at about ten days old.

The bottle-feeding is also useful when a mother of puppies is not able to feed them for some days after whelping-due to a variety of reasons such as exhaustion or running a temperature due to infection, etc. When I first bred a litter of puppies I used all the standard vitamin and mineral supplements, as advised, but with later litters I used much more simplified diets and produced even better puppies and have finally come to the conclusion that a lot of these things are not necessary. An excess of one vitamin can inhibit the absorption of another, and so that by feeding all these additives it is possible that we could upset the whole vitamin mineral balance and so do more harm than good. My own conclusion is that the simpler the diet the better and the less we interfere with it by adding to it things whose action we perhaps do not completely understand the better it is for the puppies.

It may have been noticed that I have recommended brown bread and biscuit meal instead of the various complete dog rations' that are on the market. The reason for this is that these rations contain a large percentage of raw cereal, which is indigestible to a great extent as far as dogs are concerned. The same applies to flaked maize, barley and oats, etc. These cereals merely act as roughage as far as a dog is concerned. His digestive system is not set up for this kind of food. It is too short and being a carnivore he needs more concentrated food i.e. meat, etc.

Another important point is bone meal versus calcium phosphate. There is a possibility that calcium phosphate can cause an excessive amount of irregular bone development giving an appearance in a puppy of having rickets. This does not happen if bone meal is used. The basic ingredients for puppy rearing are milk, (unpasteurised, quantity unlimited) eggs, raw meat, tripe, brown bread and or biscuit meal, cod liver oil and bone meal.

Please note that these are my own personal ideas and if you disagree with them or think that something has been omitted I shall only be too glad to enter into an argument! (or perhaps discussion)

NB: Do not forget distemper, etc., inoculation.

IRISH WOLFHOUND CLUB OF NORTHERN IRELAND

BREED CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW SEPT 26th 2003 Critique

Judge – Frau Wilfriede Schwerm-Hahne

Puppy Dog

- 1 **Gulliagh Sequoia.** Beautiful puppy with wonderful head and good expression. Correct bite with very good strong teeth. Beautiful strong neck. Excellent angulation with good substance and bone. Coat quality okay for age. Needs more ring training to present his qualities to better advantage.

Junior Dog

- 1 **Marlaw Hector.** Very well constructed young dog. Lovely front angulation with excellent layback and length of shoulder and upper arm. Ears a little bit untidy. Very typical head with correct bite and good strong teeth. Very good movement.
- 2 Marshgrove Ciaran of Nutstown. Very eye catching young dog with well-placed ears, typical head and good mouth with strong teeth. He is a little bit straight in shoulder and upper arm and lacks hind angulation. Good body.
- 3 Buchaill Daineal Cunaardri. Lovely type. Good length of body but needs more time to develop. He is a little bit short in upper arm and his tail is also a bit short. Strong body with good length. Needs more time to settle and show off his qualities.

Novice Dog

- 1 **Dympner Flint.** Very easy free moving dog but his topline is soft and incorrect, very dippy. Good depth of chest and good angulation. Very good muscle tone. His front is too wide and he is upright in pastern. Typical head, little heavy in ear.

Undergraduate Dog

- 1 **Admiral of Nutstown** at Nightwing. Strongly built, well-muscled dog who is an easy mover. Very good quality of coat. He is a little bit short in neck. He has a masculine head but I would like to see a bit more length of skull. Excellent ear set and correct bite with good strong teeth.

Post Graduate Dog

- 1 **Reserve CC. Knocknarea Solamh.** Beautiful type with wonderful head and expression. Good length of loin and excellent rib cage. Excellent angulation both front and back with good substance of bone. Very deep chest and excellent forechest. Hocks slightly weak and close on the move but wonderful side movement with great length of stride. My reserve CC winner.
- 2 Gulliagh Zoltan. Impressive dog with a lovely typical head and expression. He is a little short in neck and upright in shoulder and needs more body length. Very good substance and bone and he is an easy mover.
- 3 Inchcraig Cillian. It is a pity that this dog would not show himself today. He has some very good points including excellent shoulders with good rib cage and forechest. He is a little bit short on leg. His head is typical but he needs more furnishings. Today he did not want to move.

Limit Dog

- 1 **Gulliagh Zapata.** The type I love. What a beautiful head and expression for a male. Overall very typical quality male with size and substance. He is a little bit straight in pastern. He has a good coat and excellent movement.
- 2 Rossa of Nutstown. Very houndy dog. Marvellous head with correct ear placement. He is a little bit straight in upper arm and his elbows are a bit wide. He has an excellent rib cage with good depth and well-angulated quarters. He moved very well.
- 3 Caredig Jupiter. This dog was the best mover in the class but he needs more time to body up and fill into his wonderful outline. He has excellent angulation and a very typical head with correct well-placed ears. He has a good coat. Today he appeared immature.

**IRISH WOLFHOUND CLUB OF NORTHERN IRELAND 2003 BREED
CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW (CONT)**

Open Dog

- 1 **CC & BIS. Ch Gartlove Ghleannkyle.** Everything I long for in an Irish Wolfhound I can see in this dog. He is a marvellous dog who almost fills the standard and when I look at his wonderful expression, so typical of the breed, I can see the mists and mountains of his ancestors in his eyes. A wonderful dog of great quality and breed type.
- 2 **Ir Ch The Black Knight of Nutstown.** Another lovely dog of excellent quality. Very well angulated with good body and substance. Very typical head. Not a showy dog but a true Irish Wolfhound.
- 3 Ravensbeeche Hyperion at Covenant. Very elegant dog with proud head carriage on an excellent neck. He is a little bit straight in upper arm but an easy active mover. His tail set is a little too high.

Puppy Bitch

- 1 Best Puppy in Breed. **Gartlove Gylmaceygray.** Beautiful quality puppy of excellent breed type. Correct length of body. Very typical head and expression. Excellent angulation. Lovely side movement but a bit cow hocked at present. Promising puppy.
- 2 Gulliagh Scarlet. This is another lovely puppy who needs to learn how to show off her many attributes. Overall quality puppy with everything in the right proportion. She has an excellent head with very good furnishings for her age. Beautiful type but today she did not want to co-operate with her handler.
- 3 Annuana Rathcreevage at Calcara. Tall cream bitch, nice head with sweet expression, a narrow front at present and overall needs more angulation and substance.

Junior Bitch.

- 1 **Dympner Sinai.** Very strongly built bitch with excellent front and good layback of shoulder. Good chest and forechest. Excellent hindquarters. Beautiful head and expression. Excellent mover.
- 2 Juxitalia Ita of Knocknarea. Excellent length of body and very good angulation. Very good head with correct ears but with a rather hard expression.
- 3 Marlaw Aeolus. Overall correctly built bitch with a lovely head. She moves very well with a good length of stride but needs to hold her head proudly to improve the overall picture.

Novice Bitch

- 1 **Dympner O My Darling.** This bitch has excellent movement. Very good length of body, good depth of chest with excellent forechest. Typical head and correct eye. In good hard condition.
- 2 **Mystic Moonshine Fionmae.** Eye-catching head and expression. However she is too steep in upper arm and a little short in body. When moving toed in coming towards me.

Post Graduate Bitch

- 1 **CC. Covenant Gildenlode.** I would like to take this bitch home with me. She has the most wonderful outline, so typical of her breed, everything flows from her well-arched neck to her well-angulated quarters with correct well let down hocks. She has an excellent head, excellent ears and a lovely expression. A quality bitch who is also an extremely good mover.
- 2 **Rynchanon Cowboys 'n' Kisses.** Another beautiful typical bitch with all over correct conformation and correct body length. Very good topline. She has a lovely head but is a little light in eye colour.
- 3 **Sceolaing Cunaardri.** Very typical bitch with a good head but a little light in eye. She is a bit high in the rear and when moving tends to run a little bit downhill.

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CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW (CONT)

Limit Bitch

- 1 Gartlove Giorsal. Excellent bitch with wonderful breed type and good overall quality. She has a lovely head with dark eyes and a wonderful expression. She moved well.
- 2 Gulliagh Nedine. Beautiful type. Excellent head, expression and correctly placed ears. She is a bit short in loin but a well-angulated bitch. Good profile movement but a little bit close behind.
- 3 Gartlove Greian of Wellsgray. This bitch appeared a bit short on leg and her topline is not correct. She has a typical head with good expression and excellent ear placement. She moved well.

Open Bitch

- 1 Reserve CC. Sally of Nutstown. Not a show girl but what a bitch. She is as strong as iron, nothing loose or out of place coming or going. Strong correct topline, beautiful well muscled

and angulated quarters with lovely low set hocks. Wonderful typical head and expression but a little light in eye. This is a bitch who could do the job she was bred for.

- 2 Ir Ch Knocknarea Panache. Beautiful wheaten bitch of excellent quality and type. Very good reach of neck. Correct topline and length. When standing not quite true in front. She is an excellent mover.
- 3 It Ch Stonybrook Sandslash. Excellent bitch with everything in proportion and a very good mover. She was overly trimmed, particularly around the head. I do not want to see this in an Irish Wolfhound.

Veteran Bitch

- 1 Ch/Ir Ch Gulliagh Serendipity. Beautiful type in excellent condition and a great mover. She has an excellent head with a lovely expression, soft and gentle. She has good bone and substance and is very well angulated.



Best in Show; Ch Gartlove Ghleannkyle. Reserve Best in Show; Covenant Gildenlode

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ANTHONY KILLYKEEN DOYLE

AN INTERVIEW BY VELDA CLARK.



**Tony relaxing at home surrounded by all his
Irish Wolfhound memorabilia**

A K Doyle, or Tony, as he is known by his many friends home and abroad, is 50 years in Irish wolfhounds this year. He is a well-respected international judge and authority of his beloved breed. He has also written a book "A discussion of The Irish Wolfhound".

I first met Tony in the early seventies when Sheelagh Seale and myself went to his kennels near Rathdrum in Co. Wicklow for dinner; we have remained good friends to this day.

When I decided to do this interview I thought Oh yes an excuse to go and visit Tony (not that I need an excuse). I set off on my three-hour drive on a fresh spring morning. When I arrived in the Cavan hills the sun was shining, I opened the gate to the drive and was met with a pack of Irish wolfhounds coming to meet and greet me, they ranged in age from 20 months to 10 years. What a sight! All these healthy, happy hounds enjoying themselves in the spring sunshine. After saying hello to all the hounds, Tony and myself went into the house leaving all the sun worshipers in peace. Once we had the mandatory large mug of coffee or two it was down to business.

First an introduction: Tony first became interested in Irish Wolfhounds when for a time he lived with his grandmother who was Catherine Fitzpatrick Richardson-Smith, she was a great grand-daughter of Captain Hugh D Richardson who did so much for the breed in the 1840's. He helped keep the breed going through the famine and also published the first dog book in Ireland. The KILFANE and BALLYTOBIN kennels were founded on Richardson's stock.

On Tony's eleventh birthday he received as a present his first Irish Wolfhound a bitch named Emer she came from Dr. May. Her first prize at a show was best puppy under judge Miss Loughrey. The main exhibitors at that time were Dr. May, Miss Seale, Miss Gardner, Mrs. O'Flaherty, Mrs. Harper, Mrs. Tyrell, Billy Kerr Donnan and Miss Twyman. Tony spent summer holidays in Avoca, Co. Wicklow with Sheelagh Seale and her magnificent Ballykelly hounds Ch Molony, Ch Boreen, Ch Brannigan, Ch Antostal, Ch Diarmuid of Dunamaise, Int Ch McGilligan to name just a few.

Tony was fortunate enough to receive much help and encouragement from the breeders of the day, including Delphis Gardner, Mrs. Groverman Ellis, Florence Nagle, Miss Harrison, and of course Dr. May and Sheelagh Seale in whose kennels he spent so much time.

Question: It must have been a privilege to know these great breeders of the past?

Answer: Yes, from these breeders I learned so much and have since tried to remain faithful to the old bloodlines in my own breeding programme. I consider myself fortunate to have spent my early years immersed in Wolfhound lore. It is with interest and a little despair that I have watched the breed develop in some quarters into the chocolate-box show specimens of today. These days I think of myself as a dinosaur. A dying breed, I breed Irish wolfhounds and not show dogs. I feed and breed the old way. Resulting in happy healthy stock.

Question: how do you feed and what do you mean by breeding the old way?

Answer.

I do not use commercial feed, with this breed of late maturity now-a-days most seem to peak at four years of age then go down hill, when in the old days they peaked at four years and could go on for a further four years at their peak. I blame this on incorrect breeding set against the use of commercial feeding. The basic diet for my hounds is three-quarters meat with biscuit, also eggs, milk and no supplements. They also have plenty of freedom and exercise. As you see today my hounds are all both happy and healthy from the youngsters to the veterans of ten years and more. When they are in the paddock most people would be hard pressed to pick out the veterans. As for breeding the old ways I only breed from the healthiest and strongest of the breed. I study bloodlines and only then make the decision whether to breed or not. Far too many seem to breed from unsuitable stud dogs and pet quality bitches. This breed is matriarchal, modern breeders seem to put far too much emphasis on the stud dog and when bred incorrectly can cause a lot of damage. Truth be known he is only used because of his show wins and the ability to sell the offspring on that basis. This breed of ours has become far too commercial. It saddens me that the old bloodlines are not appreciated. However, there are a few dedicated breeders, small in number, in every country who do appreciate the old bloodlines and are producing beautiful hounds who live long healthy lives.

Question: How do you see the breed in the next few years?

Answer. Owners of the past, Ladies and Gentlemen with good sportsmanship and the interest of the breed at heart have all but gone. Now-a-days every owner of a bitch seems to want to set themselves up as a breeder. But hopefully over the next few years with the predicted world financial crisis about to hit, we will see the breed improve as only those dedicated people who care about the breed and its future will continue, with only the best stock being bred from. The get rich quick would not have a market and will then disappear, which can only be beneficial for our breed. I would not like to be starting in the breed today, knowing what I know now; there are very few mentors left that new owners can go to for help. All the big kennels with the great characters, always willing to listen and offer help and advice have long gone. It must be a very lonely place out there for new owners eager for help and advice. It need not be so, and in many quarters it is not. With careful breeding let us get our truly magnificent breed back on track. With the emphases on SOUND HEALTY HAPPY HOUNDS who live long lives.

Recently I came across critiques I wrote almost twenty-five years ago, they show that I was concerned even then as to where our breed was going. Could you include them in the magazine?

Thank you Tony for this frank interview. There are lots more questions I would like to ask you. Maybe you will let me do a follow up interview for next year's magazine, and we can talk about great dogs past and present.

I left Tony's late that night. All the way home his words kept running through my head. A dinosaur, lets hope not. Maybe we should all try to breed Irish wolfhounds and not just show dogs, remembering for what this magnificent hound was originally breed.

THIS IS A CRITIQUE BY ANTHONY KILLYKEEN DOYLE FROM 25 YEARS AGO

Irish Wolfhound Society Championship Show

(twenty-five years ago)

It was a pleasure to judge the Irish Wolfhound Society championship show. A club show ought to bring together a broad spectrum of the breed - this show was no exception. At any time within a breed there will be a range of types, all necessary in order to keep the breed from extremes of breed type. Breeders/owners will have their own interpretation of what the Standard means. The wise clever

breeder will look to the past to the great families of hounds for they are the backbone of the breed today. New families have been developed from the old, some with more success than others, as is to be expected. The fatal trap breeders must avoid is kennel blindness.

As the recipient of totally misleading and rather cruel critiques by specialist judges who ought to know better, this report will not be a hatchet job. Most owners, if they are honest, know the faults of their hounds better than any judge. My general impression is that most hounds were of good type.

Forequarters

are a major problem, lack of fore-chest, weak pasterns, and flat feet. One expects to find faulty fronts but the shock for me was to find so many hounds moving far too close behind. This fault was so common that I fear owners and judges accept this movement as correct and fault sound free movement as moving wide. Often accompanying this close back movement is the tendency to turn right foot out and hock in. A serious and worrying fault. Heads in general were good; ears small and well placed. Mouths were a shock, weak jaws, small-misplaced teeth under an abundance of facial hair.

Balance is difficult to achieve in any living animal, especially in a giant breed like ours. I found length of leg, in ratio to the body length and depth, often too short. Feet need attention; slack pasterns and flat feet are serious faults in a hunter/galloping hound. Tails although set on and carried well are too short; many just reached to the point of hock. Size has been lost and will be difficult to regain. I found some beautiful hounds of the correct type with substance and good conformation, that moved with power, drive and the freedom the Standard demands. Thank you for the entry and good sportsmanship.

A K Doyle.



Searching for mice

This charming photo was sent to us from France. Thank you.

PLEASE KEEP THE PHOTOS COMING. IT REALLY HELPS US TO KEEP THE MAGAZINE INTERESTING AND IT'S LOVELY TO SEE THE HOUNDS IN THEIR HOME SURROUNDINGS AROUND THE WORLD.

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IRISH WOLFHOUND
PUPPIES**

Would breeders of Irish Wolfhound puppies consider informing the Secretary of IWCI of a puppies that they might have for sale. The secretary receives enquires and referrals from the Irish Kennel Club.

Secretary 2003-2004.

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Hers is an old fashioned quality, combining excellent construction, harsh coat, great size and wonderful movement. There is no superficial flashiness about Orla and she was seldom the inexperienced allrounder's choice. To the breed specialist her soundness and beauty is as convincing now at seven years old as it was when she was a youngster.

And, what's very important to us, she is still very agile and playful as a veteran and avails of every opportunity to run and play, enjoying life to the full.

Her beautiful sire "Jonah" and grandsire Marumac Feril certainly put their quality stamp on her!

Our other Feril-daughter, Orla's and Jonah's half sister **Ch Knocknarea Panache**, came out of retirement to gain her English title, and to win BIS and the Double with her litter brother **Ch K. Phelix** at our club show.

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NUTSTOWN IRISH WOLFHOUNDS



Lazy Bones of Nutstown

(CH The Blacknight of Nutstown x CH Macushla of Nutstown).

Pet name Paddy, he made his show debut at I.K.C show 2004 at 11 months. Had group 2 in Puppy Stakes and Green Star dog beaten only by his half sister CH Sally of Nutstown for Best of Breed. Sally's pet name is Sheelagh after Sheelagh Seale of Ballykelly fame. She is the last of the Ballykelly lines. Sheelagh was Top Irish Wolfhound bitch 2003 with Group 1 at Carlow CH Show and Group 2 at Sligo CH Show. Her brother CH Liam Og of Nutstown was Best in Show at the Irish Wolfhound Club of Finland's CH Show under Specialist Judge. Rosemary Follett. Congratulate Minnie.

Our thanks to all the judges who made our show year so successful and also thanks to Alison Messenger, Roberto Curran and Rachel Rainey for their help all year.

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NUTSTOWN IRISH WOLFHOUNDS



CH Rossa of Nutstown

(CH Nutstown Adare x Rosemary of Nutstown.)

Pet name Donovan another CH from full Irish lines, Donovan started his show career with Best of Breed at I.K.C. Show 2003 and Group 2. He continued to have numerous Green Stars and Best of Breeds to gain his title summer 2004. His daughter, Golden Lady of Nutstown, qualified for Pup of the Year 2003 and gained 2 Res Green Stars on her four outings at CH shows. We would like to congratulate Mike and Kathy Verble on making Sonny Top Wolfhound Bitch in U.S.A. for 2003. Sonny has the same Grand Sire as Donovan. Nutstown Harvestmoon of Manasota. Sire CH Nutstown Adare Dam CH Cashla of Nutstown.

We look forward to showing our youngsters in 2005 and to continue Breeding from True Irish Lines.

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This amended Code of Ethics including those motions passed at the IWC of I AGM 2000

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